

Arizona Trucking Association Candidate Survey 2018

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Education: Political Science, Northern Arizona University

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Accepting PAC Contributions: **Yes** Are you interested in an endorsement: **Yes**

5. If elected, what are your top three priorities for 2019-

2020?

Answer: Enable Economic Development tools to fund needed repairs and upgrades to aging infrastructure and attract private investment and external capital resources to fund revitalization districts in limited and designated priority areas that will increase regional marketplace competitiveness and address blight. Address Workforce Development and degree attainment in order to attract, retain, and expand industry in our state. As a board member for Tucson Young Professionals, I carry a mission to create a friendly climate for Arizona's working age adults. Support Resource planning in moving people, water, and power. it has never been more important to move Arizonans around the state today and ensure their energy needs are met all over the state. I am supportive of advances in technology and innovation and advocate for streamlining and fixing our aging systems to optimize freight and distribution of utilities from of our ports of entry to rural areas.

6. Do you support the continued use of bona fide independent contractors in the trucking industry and oppose efforts by state and local governments to reclassify owner-operators as employees?

Answer: Yes

Comments:

7. Do you support the conversion of our existing infrastructure into toll roads?

Answer: No

8. Do you support the use of toll roads for construction of new infrastructure?

Answer: No

9. On a scale of one to ten (one being low) how important do you believe transportation infrastructure

(roads and highways) is to the success of the Arizona's economy?

Answer: <u>10</u> Comments:

10. Currently, alternative fuel vehicles (natural gas and electric) do not pay any taxes or fees for use of the roads. (i.e. a gas tax substitute) Do you believe that these vehicles should pay something for use of the roads, or do you believe that they should continue to get a discount for using alternative fuels?

Answer: I believe alternative fueled vehicles should pay something for use of the roads.

Comments: I believe we need to fairly share road maintenance. A road use fee, that can be paid at the pump or upon registration, will incorporate an inflation adjusted per-mile fee driven by all vehicles.

11. Currently, both the Department of Transportation and the Department of Public Safety have law enforcement officers that specialize in commercial vehicle enforcement. Do you believe Arizona should look at consolidating all truck enforcement activities under the Department of Public Safety?

Answer: Yes, I believe we should look at consolidating ADOT's law enforcement under the DPS.

Comments: <u>Intragency services agreements can</u> <u>help the State establish a baseline to consolidate</u> <u>services, eliminate redundancy, and ensure quality</u> <u>and utility.</u>

12. Given the importance of transportation is to our economic success, how would you propose we solve the revenue shortfall needs for transportation?

Answer: ADOT finalized their What Moves You Arizona transportation plan this year to 2040, identifying a need of \$53.3 billion with an available \$22.8 billion. This leaves a \$30.5 billion gap. The

plan incorporated a performance-based data driven planning process that brought together Arizona's Metropolitan Planning Organizations, Councils of Government, and transportation stakeholders to create a new vision for how ADOT will fund and operate our transportation system in the future. If we implement a road user fee we can divert non-dedicated funding for expansion to preservation and modernization.