

State of Washington

Commissioner of Public Lands



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Education:

Occupation:

Professional Qualifications:

Personal Information:

Community Involvement:

Personal Views: Mike Cooper has been a firefighter for 24 years and serves in the State Legislature as Chairman of the House Fisheries, Ecology, and Parks Committee. As Commissioner of Public Lands, Mike Cooper will ensure that our forests are managed sustainably for the long-term. He will look for new and innovative ways to manage our public lands so that we protect our unique way of life for future generations. It is time to move in a new direction - one that respects the public interest. We need to find new ways to fund school construction, so we no longer have to pit our forests against our schools. Mike Cooper's plan will: Create wind farms on state lands to generate clean, renewable power, provide jobs in rural communities, and raise revenue for school construction; Implement a "forest certification" program that requires timber companies to conduct logging on public lands in a way that will not harm wildlife and water; Ban cutting the last remaining old-growth trees and ensure that logging does not harm our drinking water. Mike Cooper is endorsed by groups like the Washington Federation of Teachers, Sierra Club, Washington Conservation Voters, Washington State Labor Council, and many firefighter unions.

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