

# State of Washington

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## Commissioner of Public Lands

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**Education:**

**Occupation:**

**Professional Qualifications:**

**Personal Information:**

**Community Involvement:**

**Personal Views:** State lands are a rich legacy that should be managed sanely as a personal legacy would be managed – not surrendered to the shifting demands of special interests. By considering State lands as if they were our treasured private lands, we will treat them with the care and respect they truly deserve. As your Commissioner I will enforce laws protecting State lands from abuse by users. I will also ensure that any uses of State lands that harm adjoining private properties results in full compensation to those harmed neighbors. I believe making polluters pay restitution to their victims is a more effective deterrent to pollution than government regulation. Restoration costs are sometimes monumental and polluters could spend the rest of their lives working to compensate their victims. Polluters should pay for their damage, and when the government becomes the polluter, it should likewise pay for its damage to those it harms. Like most Libertarians, the environment is extraordinarily important to me. I have a degree in zoology and am committed to clean air and clean water. I am regularly consulted about rehabilitating injured eagles and have been president of an Audubon Society chapter. Please vote Libertarian for a cleaner, greener environment.

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