



2021-2022 Proposals

The voting results are now in.

Thank you to all who participated in this important process! The results are available below.

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[G21-P001 Support Carbon Sequestration on Farms](#)

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[G21-P023 Reduce Fossil Fuel Use in Canada's Territories, Remote Communities and Northern Industries via Culturally and Geographically Appropriate Approaches](#)

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Environmental and Human Health

G21-P030 National Seniors Strategy

G21-P033 Universal Long-Term Care and Establishing National Standards

G21-P034 Universal Access to Post-Secondary Education

G21-P035 Make Universal Design the Basic Standard in All Building Codes

G21-P037 Indigenous Peoples' Collective Control and Veto Over Resource Projects and Endeavours Impacting Their Traditional Lands and Territories

G21-P038 Align Canada's Constitution with UNDRIP

G21-P040 Implementing a National Decarceration Strategy

G21-P041 Relieve Law Enforcement and the Criminal Justice System of the Portfolio of Cannabis Prosecution

G21-P042 Work Towards an International Treaty Against Ecocide

G21-P043 Acknowledgement of Institutional Racism in Canada

G21-P044 Establish Participatory Economic Democracy

G21-P045 Equitable Treatment for Temporary Foreign Workers

G21-P046 Maximum Wage

G21-P049 Promote the Ecological Health of Canada's Forests

G21-P050 Give NGOs Equal Access to Policymakers

G21-P052 Safe and Accountable Firearms Ownership and Usage

G21-P055 Ensuring Intergenerational Justice via a Wellbeing of Future Generations Act

G21-P056 Eliminate Extreme Wealth Via Progressive Taxation

G21-P057 Income, Wealth and Estate Tax Reform to Address Inequality

G21-P058 End Taxation of Poverty

G21-P059 Update Health Canada's Guidelines for Microwave Radiation Exposure

G21-E008 Meaningful Oversight of RCMP

G21-E010 Responding to Dual Crises Unfolding in British Columbia

G21-P028 Advocate for a National Internet Access Strategy that Prioritizes Environmental and Human Health

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Code

G21-P028

Proposal Type

Policy

Submitter Name

Lori Curran

Proposal

The GPC advocates for a Canada-wide, comprehensive, coordinated, high speed, broadband internet access strategy that uses fibre-to-the-premises (FTTP) technologies whenever possible, instead of wireless technologies, including 5G; and adopts the ALARA (As Low as Reasonably Achievable) principle for wireless radiation exposures.

Objective

To apply the Precautionary Principle regarding ubiquitous non-natural electromagnetic radiation (nnEMR) such as radiofrequency radiation from cell tower network antennas, microcells (including 5G small antennas), smart meters, WiFi, and satellites by using wired technologies whenever possible. Science demonstrates that nnEMR below current safety guidelines can harm human health and wildlife.

Benefit

Minimizing wireless radiation would reduce risk to human and environmental health. Wired fibre-to-the-premises (FTTP) connections are more safe, resilient, reliable, and secure than wireless technologies. Fibre is more energy efficient and long-lasting and does not interfere with weather forecasting or astronomy research.

Supporting Comments from Submitter

The Green Party of California recently called for their government representatives to move forward with safer alternatives to 5G and reduce exposures as per the ALARA principle. <http://cagreens.org/green-party-california-statement-5g-wireless-technology-environmental-oversight>

European green parties are speaking out about implications of excessive wireless technology for climate change and other concerns. <https://venturebeat.com/2020/10/12/frances-5g-plans-fuel-divisions-over-environmental-and-economic-impact/>

Green party members of the European Parliament recently outlined conflicts of interest in two organizations that Health Canada considers authorities for setting its radiofrequency exposure guidelines. <https://klaus-buchner.eu/wp-content/uploads/2020/06/ICNIRP-report-FINAL-19-JUNE-2020.pdf>

“Replace wireless networks with wired connections where possible and promote future technologies and techniques that are biocompatible and sustainable from an environmental and human health point of view.” <https://ehtrust.org/major-environmental-group-of-spain-issues-statement-on-5g/>

Urgent Appeal to the Government of Canada to Suspend the 5G Rollout and to Choose Safe and Reliable Fiber Connections – supported by 24 Canadian grassroots organizations, signed by more than 20,000 Canadians, and substantiated with high quality scientific studies. <http://c4st.org/5Gappeal/>

Green Value(s)

Ecological Wisdom, Sustainability, Participatory Democracy, Social Justice, Respect for Diversity, Non-Violence.

Relation to Existing Policies

Rescind and replace G12-P01, Universal Broadband Internet Access.

G21-P059 Update Health Canada's Guidelines for Microwave Radiation Exposure Proposal

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G21-P059

Proposal Type

Policy

Submitter Name

Janis Hoffman

Proposal

The GPC supports updating Health Canada's limits of human exposure to radiofrequency/microwave radiation based on a transparent, rigorous systematic review of all scientific evidence on biological effects of radiofrequency/microwave radiation with public consultation, by a panel of experts independent of industry influence with no conflicts of interest.

Objective

The World Health Organization's International Agency for Research on Cancer classified radiofrequency/microwave radiation as a possible (Class 2B) human carcinogen in 2011. Subsequent evidence supports a classification upgrade. This policy supports updating Health Canada's radiofrequency/microwave radiation exposure limits, Safety Code 6 (2015), based on all of the relevant scientific evidence.

Benefit

Modernizing Health Canada's limits for human exposure to radiofrequency/microwave radiation emissions from wireless equipment (such as cell phones, cell network antennas, smart meters, Wi-Fi and 5G technologies) will better protect the health of all Canadians, reduce health care costs, and additionally provide some protection for the environment.

Supporting Comments from Submitter

1. The previous revision of Health Canada's Safety Code 6 for human exposure to radiofrequency/microwave radiation was flawed. Webster PC. 2015. Scientists decry Canada's outdated Wi-Fi safety rules. Canadian Medical Association Journal (CMAJ). 187(9):639-640. <http://www.cmaj.ca/content/187/9/639>
2. More than 100 Canadian MDs and international scientists called for more protective Canadian radiofrequency/microwave guidelines/standards, to no avail. Declaration: Doctors Call for Protection from Radiofrequency Radiation Exposure. 2014. <http://www.c4st.org/images/documents/hc-resolutions/medical-doctors-subm...>
3. Recent studies indicate serious health implications at radiofrequency/microwave exposures below current limits, such as cancer, sperm damage and DNA damage. Miller AB, Morgan LL, Udasin I, Davis DL. 2018. Cancer Epidemiology Update, following the 2011 IARC

Evaluation of Radiofrequency Electromagnetic Fields (Monograph 102). Environ. Res. 167(673-683.DOI. 10.1016/j.envres.2018.06.043)

4. Canadians for Safe Technology. 2017. References of over 200 Scientific Studies and Six (6) Reviews Reporting Potential Harm at Non-Thermal (Not Heating) Levels of Radiofrequency/Microwave Radiation That Are Below Safety Code 6 (2015).

5. Urgent Appeal to the Government of Canada to Suspend 5G Rollout in Canada – supported by 24 Canadian grassroots organizations and signed by more than 18,000 Canadians. This appeal and its supplemental materials provide a good overview of the wireless radiation potential impacts on humans and the environment, substantiated with high quality scientific studies, and reasons why radiofrequency limits need to be updated. <http://c4st.org/5Gappeal/>

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Relation to Existing Policies

Add to current GPC policy G06-p16.