

Candidate Questions

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Nick,

I fully support the Idaho Republican Party Platform – No exceptions. And I think my voting record proves my commitment. I have provided answers to all the candidate questions below.

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I am a registered Republican – Fifty years.

Question 1: I strongly agree.

Fiscal responsibility: Congress has bankrupted America. It is time for a balanced budget, a smaller and less expensive government, and for unnecessary government programs to be terminated. The size and expense of government must be drastically reduced.

Taxation: Taxes are high, because we have allowed government to grow beyond all reasonable levels. Big government costs us all in the form of higher taxes. The secret to lowering taxes is to convince the citizens to stop demanding so much from government and for government to learn to live within the means provided for it by the taxpayers. This means no more deficit spending and increasing the national debt.

Reform of Congress: Members of Congress should be required to read a bill prior to voting on it. Also, the tradition of pork barreling bill should be stopped. A bill should have consistency between title and content – no unrelated hidden agendas on which to hide excessive spending. Term limits would not be a bad idea as well. I also support more open meetings and forums so the public would be better informed on legislative actions.

Sound Currency: I agree with ending the Federal Reserve and returning to a gold standard to back our currency.

State Legislature: I agree with the platform. The legislature should uphold conservative values by standing up for our Constitutional Rights. Excessive spending must end. Taxes must be lowered, and the size of government must be brought down to provide only essential services as directed by the state Constitution. Good luck finding people who will run for office and actually do these things. I stand for small, efficient government that honors the Constitutions of the United States and the State of Idaho. Check my voting record.

Honest elections and the Electoral College: Hands off the Electoral College! Any attempt to eliminate the College will put the elections in the hand of our large, liberal cities. Idaho would not have a voice in national elections. This we must oppose at all costs. And while we are at it, let's make sure our elections are fair and honest. The last presidential election sure wasn't.

Question 2: Strongly agree.

I agree, citizens must understand their rights in order to be informed voters willing to stand up for their rights. I am for keeping Republican primaries all Republican. We should not allow the democrats or the far left to infiltrate our primary system.

Question 3: Strongly agree.

I support the teaching of American history in all our public and private schools. The First Amendment right of freedom of religion should not end when one enters a public school. And I fully support home schooling, vouchers, and tax incentives for families paying for private school tuition, because our public schools are unfit for children who wish to not be exposed to drugs and pornography.

Question 4: Strongly agree.

I fully support the farming communities in Idaho. I believe a strong family unit – one man and one woman – is vital to the survival of farming, Idaho, and the country as a whole. Idaho must stand strong in defense of its state's rights. We must oppose any and all attempts by the federal government to alter or weaken our water rights. And the dams stay!!

Question 5: Strongly agree.

Idaho must keep its dams and resist any attempts by the federal government to mandate who we use our water resources. Our waters resources must be developed and used to promote Idaho commerce and recreation. This nonsense about saving the salmon at the expense of human being must be called out for what it is – dangerous and foolish. Idaho's water belongs to Idaho and her people.

Question 6. Strongly agree.

Idahoans should take responsibility for preserving our natural resources. The federal government should not be allowed to control parts of Idaho by declaring them to be national parks, and thereby taking control of those areas away from our people. The EPA is a disgraceful organization that has weaponized concern for the environment. We have our own Department of Environmental Quality (DEQ) that does a much better job than the EPA. And Idaho does a much better job of managing our forests than the federal government. We manage our forests for long term growth and profitable use. The federal government is bogged down by environmental concerns and operate their forests in a wasteful and short-sighted manner.

Question 7. Strongly agree.

Idaho must develop all its energy resources. And America must do the same. It is a disgrace that we went as a nation from being the world's leading energy exporter under President Trump, to begging for oil from communist dictators under President Biden. And we must keep our dams for the hydroelectric power they provide. We must also develop nuclear energy capabilities, as this is the least expensive source of power.

Question 8. Strongly agree.

The INL is a very important part of nuclear research, and we must keep and support this operation in Idaho.

Question 9. Strongly agree.

I believe in Due Process as a Constitutional Right. Enough said.

Question 10. Strongly agree.

Yes, we should reduce the amount of federal land in Idaho. Most of that land belongs to Idaho by rights and should be returned to our control and ownership.

Question 11. Strongly agree.ble

Idaho's natural resources should be managed by Idahoans, for Idahoans. The federal government is not needed or wanted for this purpose. And yes, it is time to kill the wolves down to a level where they cannot harm livestock and game animals to the degree they do now. And we certainly don't want/need Mr. Biden's grizzlies. Send them to D.C.

Question 12. Strongly agree.

I support balance state and federal budgets. Idaho's budget is supposed to be balanced as per the state Constitution. However, 42% of our budget is federally funded, so we really don't have a balance budget. We must support small businesses and get taxes reduced by cutting the size of government and convincing our less than courageous legislators to stop spending in order to buy votes from special interest groups.

Question 13. Strongly agree.

Idahoans have a God-given right and mandate to not participate in any activity they find morally objectionable. And yes, parents have the final and sole say over the health care of their children.

Question 14. Strongly agree.

A marriage is between one man and one woman. This cannot and will not be expanded. Abortion is murder – from conception on. Period, dot.

Question 15. Strongly agree.

Our senior citizens are a wealth of tradition, moral beliefs, and valuable experience. They should be honored, involved, and supported in every way. Our laws should reflect that.

Question 16. Strongly agree.

A person is innocent until proven guilty. The Second Amendment supports every other amendment in the Bill of Rights. Without the 2A, we likely would not have a free country. I believe the Good Lord brings you into this world, and the Good Lord should take you out. I do not support the death penalty. Lock up the bad guys and make them serve their terms.

Question 17. Strongly agree.

I agree. Build the border wall – again! And yes, we need a national missile defense system to defend America. And it is time for Congress to either declare war in accordance with the Constitution or bring our troops home.

Question 18. Strongly agree.

Judges work for the people in accordance with the state and US Constitutions. They must be elected by the people they represent and serve.

Sincerely,

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