



John Streicker Bio

John Streicker is the Green Party candidate for the Yukon and is a member of the Green Party of Canada's shadow cabinet. John serves as the advocate for Arctic and Northern Affairs and is politically active. He is the Chair of the party nationally and also chairs national Green Party conventions. In 2008 John and his team tripled the green vote in the Yukon receiving 13% of Yukon's vote.

John is a professional engineer, climate change specialist, educator and community volunteer. His current projects include lecturing at Yukon College, acting as science advisor for the Northern Climate ExChange and writing for Encyclopedia Britannica on the Arctic and on climate change. John has been leading a team to develop the Climate Change Adaptation Plan for Whitehorse. He contributed to the Polar Chapter of the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change's 4th Assessment Report.

John holds a Bachelor of Science from the University of Saskatchewan and a Masters degree in Engineering from the University of New Brunswick. John worked as a professional engineer for over twelve years in the private sector before deciding in 2004 to focus on public education, research, and outreach.

John is socially, economically and environmentally aware. He shows integrity, respect for diversity and optimism. John is passionate about democracy and shares a vision of government as a collaborative responsibility with the common good in mind. He is prepared to dialogue and work constructively, using the best ideas from across the political spectrum to find positive solutions for a vibrant and sustainable future for the Yukon and Canada.

As a climate change specialist, John's work emphasizes understanding and action on climate change. He specializes in climate change impacts in Canada's North and in the responses to those impacts through mitigation, adaptation, and education. John recently worked to develop a sustainable vision for Yukon's energy future. He has worked as a consultant with the Yukon government to develop their Climate Change Action Plan, and made presentations to parliamentary and UN committees.

John is actively engaged with the community. He is a member of the Yukon Anti-Poverty Coalition. John volunteers in his home community of Marsh Lake. His contributions to the Marsh Lake Community Centre were recognized with the 2007 Yukon Community Recreation Leadership Award. For the past several years he has been the Chief of Race for local cross-country skiing events.

John is an enthusiastic supporter of the arts. He has sat on the board of the Frostbite Music Festival, and a book of his quilting work was published in 2000.

He and his wife Susan make their beautiful little home together on Marsh Lake.