**TRUMP AND BIDEN ENVIRONMENTAL POLICY**

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| **Environmental issues** | **Donald Trump's policy** | **Joe Biden's policy** |
| Global Warming | Trump does not believe in global warming. According to him, the green measures are **a hurdle to** economic development. | Biden wants to counter the **global warming** phenomenon. For Biden, it's an incoming issue for all society. |
| Law Proposals (**bills**) | Donald Trump decided to **repeal** laws which protect the environment. The Trump administration revoked rules banning pesticides like chlorpyrifos. | For now, Biden didn't propose many laws concerning the environment. But his programme is in favor of ecology. |
| Energy Sources | Trump supports largely the **coal** industry by funding it to the detriment of a cleaner  industry. Moreover, he authorised the use of **offshore platforms** that have been enacted by Barack Obama. | Biden revoked approval for the Keystone XL oil pipeline. Furthermore, he plans to ban new oil or gas exploitations, especially in the Arctic region. |
| International Agreements | In June 2017, Trump pulled out of the Paris agreement, which aimed at limiting  the global temperature increase. Indeed, the former president wanted to make the USA the first world  power, a thing he believes impossible with environmental restrictions. | Biden signed letters declaring US intent to join back the Paris Climate Accord. According to him, climate change is a serious issue for the future society, and measures have to be taken at worldwide scale. |
| Biodiversity | Trump decided to build a wall  at the Mexican border. By doing this, he has repealed laws protecting **endangered species** which will  provoke the destruction of biodiversity. | Joe Biden's plan includes the protection of biodiversity by conserving 30% of America’s lands and waters by 2030 in order to slow down extinction rates and helping leverage natural climate solutions. |
| **the EPA role** | The Environmental Protection Agency is an independent executive agency aiming to protect people and the environment from significant health risks. It conducts research, develops and enforces environmental regulations. | |

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| **Vocabulaire** | |
| **Global warming** : le réchauffement climatique  **Endangered species** : les espèces en voie d'extinction  **Environmentally-friendly** : écologique  **bill :** proposition de loi  **Hindrance**: obstacle  **Repeal/ Revoke**: révoquer  **a hurdle to :** un frein à  **/!\** **politics :** concept **/ policy :** lois, décisions  **/** | **Coal**: le charbon  **Shale gas**: le gaz de schiste  **Fossil fuels**: les combustibles fossiles  **Fracking**: la fracturation hydraulique  **Drilling**: le forage  **Renewable** : renouvelable  **Wind energy** : énergie éolienne  **Nuclear plant/power** : centrale/énergie nucléaire  **Net-zero emission :** la neutralité carbone  **Conserving**: préserver  **politician :** homme  **/ political :** politique |