The California Trade Justice Coalition (CTJC) is an alliance of labor, environmental, public health, immigrant rights and human rights organizations — all committed to building a strong California economy that works for all.

CTJC’s member organizations include the Alliance for Democracy, Association of Western Pulp & Paper Workers, California Labor Federation, California Nurses Association, Communications Workers of America District 9, Food & Water Watch, Friends of the Earth, Global Exchange, International Brotherhood of Electrical Workers Local 595, International Longshore & Warehouse Union Southern California District Council, Local Clean Energy Alliance, Napa/Solano Central Labor Council, Rooted in Resilience, Sacramento Central Labor Council, Sierra Club San Francisco Bay Chapter and United Steelworkers District 12.

We are interested in knowing what you think about a variety of issues regarding international trade policy. Answers to the following questions will be used to educate voters, highlight trade issues and create voter guides.

Please return your completed questionnaire to Will Wiltschko by emailing will@citizenstrade.org or calling (831) 917-7997.

**Views on Trade Agreement Provisions**

1. LABOR RIGHTS: If elected, would you insist that new and renegotiated trade agreements include measures requiring countries to adopt, maintain and implement the International Labor Organization’s core conventions and to include swift and certain enforcement mechanisms for alleged violations of labor rights?

   Please mark one:  
   
   [X] YES  
   [ ] NO

   Additional Comments:
2. OUTSOURCING: Would you require trade agreements include measures specifically designed to combat outsourcing across sectors, including in aerospace, autos, food processing, call centers and more?

Please mark one: [X] YES [ ] NO

Additional Comments:

3. PUBLIC PROCUREMENT: Would you insist that trade agreements remove all limitations on the adoption, maintenance and application of strong “Buy American,” “Buy Local” and “Buy Green” government procurement preferences by the U.S. federal government, states and municipalities?

Please mark one: [X] YES [ ] NO

Additional Comments:

4. CURRENCY: Would you require trade agreements to include enforceable disciplines against currency manipulation and misalignment?

Please mark one: [X] YES [ ] NO

Additional Comments:

5. CLIMATE CRISIS: Would you require trade agreements to include binding, easily-enforced standards to reduce climate pollution, as well as clear protections for climate and other environmental policies?

Please mark one: [X] YES [ ] NO

Additional Comments:

6. MEDICINE: Would you oppose trade agreements that delay access to affordable, generic medications by providing drug firms extended monopoly rights — such as requirements that signatory countries lock-in lengthy patent terms, provide data or marketing exclusivity, enforce trade secrets for pharmaceutical companies and/or broaden the scope of patentability?

Please mark one: [X] YES [ ] NO

Additional Comments:

7. CONSUMER SAFETY: Would you insist that trade agreements only allow imported foods, toys and other products to enter the United States if they actually meet U.S. safety standards?
Please mark one: [X] YES    [ ] NO

Additional Comments:

8. COUNTRY-OF-ORIGIN LABELING: Would you require trade agreements to explicitly allow for the restoration of the Country-of-Origin (COOL) meat-labeling program passed by the U.S. Congress and affirmed by U.S. courts, but struck down by the World Trade Organization (WTO)?

Please mark one: [X] YES    [ ] NO

Additional Comments:

9. ISDS: Would you insist that trade agreements eliminate investor-state dispute settlement (ISDS) and any similar mechanism that allows corporations to challenge U.S. laws, regulations, court decisions and other government actions in extrajudicial tribunals that are empowered to award taxpayer compensation for violations of investors’ trade agreement rights?

Please mark one: [X] YES    [ ] NO

Additional Comments:

Views on Trade Policymaking Procedures

10. FAST TRACK: Would you oppose efforts to reestablish “Fast Track” trade promotion authority when it expires?

Please mark one:    [ ] YES    [ ] NO

Additional Comments:

The congressional approval process will offer more opportunities for the public and elected representatives to shape trade agreements. I will seek expedited congressional approval of trade agreements only when all of the regional advisory committees I’ve proposed creating and the labor, new consumer, and new rural advisory committees unanimously certify that the agreement serves their interests. I will also expand the list of congressional committees that must review any agreement before it is eligible for expedited consideration.

11. CONGRESSIONAL ROLE: Would you support strengthening Congress’ role in trade policymaking by replacing Fact Track with a new trade authority mechanism that includes congressionally-set readiness criteria to determine appropriate negotiating partners and the right for Congress to veto partners proposed by the executive branch; involvement for more congressional committees and a transparent negotiating process; binding obligations regarding what must and must not be in future trade agreements; and the right for Congress to vote on an agreement before it can be signed?
Please mark one: [X] YES [ ] NO

Additional Comments:

These answers represent my beliefs, are part of the public record, and may be used by the California Trade Justice Coalition and its partners to inform the public about trade issues.

_______________________________________________  Signature

_______________________________________________  Date

Thank you for your willingness to complete this questionnaire!