NR Carbon Pricing Questions

Q1. As you may be aware, the federal government plans to impose a carbon tax next year in provinces that haven't already set their own prices on carbon emissions. The price on carbon will begin at \$10 per tonne in 2018 and rise to \$50 per tonne by 2022.

For context: a carbon tax of \$50 per tonne works out to roughly 11 cents per litre of gasoline, though some governments offset the increase by reducing other taxes or providing rebates. Money collected under the federal carbon tax would be returned to the provinces from which it was collected.

Based on whatever you've seen or heard about the federal government's plan, would you say you support or oppose it?

Strongly support Moderately support Moderately oppose Strongly oppose

Q2. How would you like to see your own province react to this federal carbon pricing plan? Should it:

Come up with/continue to implement its own plan to put a price on carbon Do nothing and let the federal plan take effect
Fight the implementation of a federal carbon tax

Q3. Some say implementing carbon pricing now will hurt the Canadian economy by making it harder for Canada to compete with the United States, which has no such policy. Others say the situation in the U.S. shouldn't affect Canada's decision because fighting climate change is more important than protecting carbon-intensive industries.

Which of these perspectives is closer to your own, even if neither is exactly how you feel?

Canada should hold off on carbon pricing to avoid having a competitive disadvantage with the U.S. What the U.S. does shouldn't matter – Canada should implement carbon pricing now