

Introduction

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Vision

Do you agree or disagree with the overall vision for the minerals and petroleum sector in New Zealand?

Strongly disagree

Why?

The "petroleum" part must be phased out, starting today. It is absolutely irresponsible to suggest that petroleum extraction can continue for an indeterminate period in the future. I am appalled by this framing. Have you heard about the climate crisis?

What is your vision for the minerals and petroleum sector in New Zealand?

My vision is that the "petroleum" part gets phased out at emergency pace. There is no scope for oil and gas in New Zealand.

How can New Zealand sustainably derive value from its petroleum and minerals resources?

Petroleum resources have to be kept in the ground.

Objectives for the minerals and petroleum sector

Objective for a sector that: "Responsibly delivers value for New Zealand (a) Supporting a productive, sustainable and inclusive economy (b) Supporting New Zealand's transition to a carbon neutral economy".

Agree

Why?

I agree with caveats: "sustainable" has to be defined in a meaningful and measurable way; the transition to carbon neutrality has to be fast and take precedence over "productive economy".

Objective for a sector that: "Is productive and innovative".

Disagree

Why?

This is vague and can't be measured.

Objective for a sector that: “Is effectively regulated”.

Strongly agree

Why?

Given how destructive these activities have been historically, strong regulation is paramount.

Are there any other objectives for the minerals and petroleum sector that you would like us to consider in the strategy?

I would like this sector to operate without subsidies from the government

Guiding principles

Principle: The environment, ecosystems, and biodiversity are respected now and in the long term.

Strongly agree

Why?

We depend on the environment, ecosystems, and biodiversity for our very survival. It's absolutely obvious that this should be the most important principle.

Principle: Māori cultural interests are understood and respected.

Agree

Why?

Principle: Support the transition to a carbon neutral economy by 2050.

Disagree

Why?

The transition has to be completed far earlier, eg by 2030. Many recent scientific studies show that the climate crisis is unfolding far faster than previously expected. Therefore, the government must respond faster.

Principle: The impact on people, communities and regions are managed in a just and inclusive way.

Strongly agree

Why?

Seems like a no-brainer.

Principle: Support a circular economy by meeting resource needs through resource efficiency, recycling and reuse.

Strongly agree

Why?

It's well known that countries like New Zealand operate well beyond sustainability limits. We have to pull back.

Principle: Actions taken within the mineral and petroleum sector should align with the strategic direction of other related sectors and Government strategies.

Agree

Why?

Do you agree or disagree with each of the following principles for the Crown?

Principle: The Crown honours its duty towards Māori as a Treaty partner, adheres to the Principles of the Treaty of Waitangi and its duty to meet settlement commitments.

Agree

Why?

Principle: The Crown receives a fair financial return for its minerals and petroleum.

Agree

Why?

Principle: The Crown regulates in a way that is fair, transparent, reasonable and proportionate.

Agree

Why?

Principle: The Crown honours the rights of current permit holders to continue production or exploration activities under existing permits.

Strongly disagree

Why?

Oil and gas permits should be cancelled and phased out as soon as possible. At the risk of sounding repetitive: we are in the midst of a climate crisis. Surely the crisis response should trump the ability of dangerous and destructive companies to turn a profit.

Principle: The Crown makes policy decisions based on the best evidence, and accounting for the foreseeable need for minerals and petroleum, both now and for future generations.

Agree

Why?

Principle: The Crown proactively engages and consults with relevant stakeholders and decisions are communicated in a clear and transparent way.

Agree

Why?

Do you agree or disagree with each of the following principles for Industry?

Principle: Pursue continuous improvements in health and safety.

Agree

Why?

Principle: Strive to implement industry best practice in operations.

Agree

Why?

Principle: Seek innovative ways to improve the resource efficiency of extraction operations; and minimise the negative impacts of these operations.

Agree

Why?

Principle: Engage with stakeholders and implement management systems to understand and manage impacts, and realise opportunities for redress where needed.

Agree

Why?

Are there any other principles you would like us to consider in the strategy?

I believe that the industry should be specifically obligated to work towards true sustainability, ie towards ensuring that its activities can be sustained indefinitely without causing harm to the environment.

Action areas intro

Action Area: Modernising the Crown Minerals Act

Neither agree nor disagree

Why?

What future actions would you like us to consider under this Action Area?

Action Area: Securing affordable resources to meet our minerals and energy needs

Neither agree nor disagree

Why?

What future actions would you like us to consider under this Action Area?

Action Area: Improving Treaty partnership

Neither agree nor disagree

Why?

What future actions would you like us to consider under this Action Area?

Action Area: Improving stakeholder and community engagement

Neither agree nor disagree

Why?

What does this even mean? I'd love for the government to improve its stakeholder engagement by avoiding vacuous language.

What future actions would you like us to consider under this Action Area?

Action Area: Improving industry compliance

Strongly agree

Why?

What future actions would you like us to consider under this Action Area?

Action Area: Research and investment in better mining and resource use

Strongly agree

Why?

What future actions would you like us to consider under this Action Area?

Are there any other action areas you would like us to consider as part of advancing this Strategy?

Other

Are there any other comments you would like to make about the “Minerals and Petroleum Strategy for Aotearoa New Zealand: 2019-2029”?

The MBIE has so far been acting as if there is no climate crisis, and business as usual can continue. You have to stop doing that, and start acting in the interest of the public – not in the interest of extractive industries.

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