

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 agree

Why?

The environment, or natural world we live in is our most important resource, without it we die, so we need to be responsible with it and this sector i.e. minerals and petroleum is a sector that is potentially particularly impactful on the environment

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

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

There are others better placed to define sustainable for this sector

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”.

Strongly agree

Why?

I'm all for deriving value where we (NZ population) are able as long as we look after the environment

Objective for a sector that: “Is productive and innovative”.

Agree

Why?

I imagine innovation will be required to ensure sustainability and carbon-neutral

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

Strongly agree

Why?

Only way individuals and firms that make profit will abide by any rules (unfortunately)

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

Local i.e. NZ profits ideally over multi-nationals

Guiding principles

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

Strongly agree

Why?

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Principle: Māori cultural interests are understood and respected.

Strongly agree

Why?

I believe Maori interests on the whole i.e. kaitiakitanga, and a multi-generational approach, are a NZ asset we should utilise more. Naturally there is some selfishness evident within the Maori population also so regulation is necessary while creating true

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

Strongly agree

Why?

Before 2050 would be better

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

Strongly agree

Why?

Justice, integrity and freedom (within moral reason) are v. important principles

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

Strongly agree

Why?

The economy needs to change and move to a circular approach within the planets' (and NZs') natural limits

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

Agree

Why?

As long as those strategies exhibit the other principles previously enunciated

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.

Strongly agree

Why?

The Treaty of Waitangi is our founding document, our constitution effectively, and is yet to be fully enabled in the most positive way

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

Strongly agree

Why?

NZ profits and contribution to NZ society is a key priority. Ideally no foreign companies involved at all if feasible and practical

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

Strongly agree

Why?

Makes sense

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

Agree

Why?

Need to honour existing commitments

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?

Although shortages leading to price rises might be necessary to motivate investment in other approaches necessary for the required urgency in the shift to a circular economy that is carbon-neutral at worst by 2050 (ideally earlier)

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

Agree

Why?

Priority however must be given to the changes required and with the intent of motivating the changes required to the economy and to achieving carbon-neutral before 2050

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

Principle: Pursue continuous improvements in health and safety.

Neither agree nor disagree

Why?

Just be practical and pragmatic, so where necessary but don't go overboard just to have improvements for the sake of it

Principle: Strive to implement industry best practice in operations.

Neither agree nor disagree

Why?

Or be better than current 'industry best practice', but ultimately that is for the operators not the Govt

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

Strongly agree

Why?

Definitely regulate to 'minimise the negative impacts of these operations'

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

Strongly agree

Why?

Definitely regulate and show you mean it to 'minimise the negative impacts of these operations' and 'realise opportunities for redress where needed' with the full force of the law not just a warning or small fine that could be seen as 'cost of business'

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

Action areas intro

Action Area: Modernising the Crown Minerals Act

Neither agree nor disagree

Why?

I'm not informed enough to comment on this

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

Don't know except for effecting the principles outlined above

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

Strongly agree

Why?

We will need resources to meet our minerals and energy needs

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

Don't know except for effecting the principles outlined above

Action Area: Improving Treaty partnership

Strongly agree

Why?

The Treaty of Waitangi is our founding document, our constitution effectively, and is yet to be fully enabled in the most positive way

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?

As necessary yes, I'm just not aware where it needs improving

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

Action Area: Improving industry compliance

Strongly agree

Why?

Definitely regulate and show you mean it to 'minimise the negative impacts of these operations' and 'realise opportunities for redress where needed' with the full force of the law not just a warning or small fine that could be seen as 'cost of business'

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

Make this a profit centre so that industry becomes motivated to lead with respect to the principles outlined rather than be dragged there

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

Neither agree nor disagree

Why?

Where opportunities are possible yes, I'm just not aware where the opportunities lie and what might be improved regarding better mining and resource use

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”?

Let's aim to be carbon-neutral before 2050 as that is a worst case scenario in my book. Is it possible to be carbon-neutral by 2029? Do we know, have we tried to plan for that? This Minerals and Petroleum sector is quite key for this

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