

Introduction

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Vision

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

Disagree

Why?

This vision doesn't make a clear enough distinction between fossil fuels, which we must stop extracting and the sooner the better, and other minerals (cobalt, lithium, etc) which are needed for the transition to a carbon-neutral economy.

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

Abandon ALL fossil fuels, and focus on a transition to a carbon zero economy

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

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".

Disagree

Why?

Transitioning to a carbon neutral economy is the single most important objective. If done well, economic benefits will follow. If not done, we're all screwed anyway.

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

Strongly agree

Why?

Objective for a sector that: "Is effectively regulated".

Strongly agree

Why?

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

Guiding principles

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

Agree

Why?

That's a rather vague statement. What does "respected" mean? That we genuflect before going about business as usual? I'd rather see them "protected" with laws that have teeth.

Principle: Māori cultural interests are understood and respected.

Agree

Why?

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

Agree

Why?

Make it by 2030 and I'll Strongly Agree

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

Agree

Why?

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

Strongly agree

Why?

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

Agree

Why?

They should all be aligned with Government policy dealing with the climate emergency.

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?

No more exploration for fossil fuels should be allowed. Period. There is no point. The world has already identified enough fossil fuel reserves to cook the planet far beyond what humanity can cope with. We need to leave what has already been discovered in the ground.

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.

Strongly agree

Why?

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

Principle: Pursue continuous improvements in health and safety.

Strongly agree

Why?

Principle: Strive to implement industry best practice in operations.

Strongly agree

Why?

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

Strongly agree

Why?

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

Strongly agree

Why?

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

Nearly all of these principles sound good in theory, but none of them should be allowed to conflict with the goal of transitioning out of fossil fuels.

Action areas intro

Action Area: Modernising the Crown Minerals Act

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

Why?

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

Action Area: Improving Treaty partnership

Why?

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

Action Area: Improving stakeholder and community engagement

Why?

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

Action Area: Improving industry compliance

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

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 strategy should include a time frame for phasing out fossil fuels, including natural gas. Gas is NOT a transition fuel.

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