

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?

Petroleum and minerals are exhaustible resources, that is, not sustainable. When they're gone, they're gone forever. This vision is unrealistic and impractical.

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

That they have a phased-out cessation.

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

It cannot. These resources are not sustainable because once they're gone, they're gone forever.

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".

Neither agree nor disagree

Why?

I disagree with (a) because these industries are not sustainable, therefore this statement is 'green wash'. I do support (b), however.

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

Neither agree nor disagree

Why?

This sounds like a good principle, but realistically, I don't see how these industries can continue in any form, regardless of innovations in their extraction or mitigation of environmental damages.

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

Agree

Why?

Very important to have strong laws and enforcement on the ground of these laws.

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

please consider the damage the extraction of these resources cause our environment. This alone is a good reason to stop these industries.

Guiding principles

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

Strongly agree

Why?

no brainer, if for no other reason that without the environment, there is no economy.

Principle: Māori cultural interests are understood and respected.

Agree

Why?

of course, but higher principles to protect the environment must take precedence over Maori interests.

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

Agree

Why?

This will be difficult, and the sooner we start 'biting the bullet', the better.

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

Neither agree nor disagree

Why?

Scientific principles must be more important than the social aspects.

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

Agree

Why?

this is important for our quality of life, including minimising our impact on the environment.

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

Disagree

Why?

these industries harm the environment and our future more than some other sectors.

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?

the government must keep its promises; however, if Maori interests conflict with environmental considerations, the environment should win out.

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

Neither agree nor disagree

Why?

"Fair" is a subjective term, Also, any industry that extracts NZ resources should be NZ owned, not foreign owned.

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

Agree

Why?

this would be refreshing and responsible to the people.

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

Strongly disagree

Why?

1. these industries damage the environment, both to the Earth and to the climate. 2. current permit holders may be foreign owned, and these businesses should be NZ owned.

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.

Strongly agree

Why?

This is great as long as they don't play with the published 'best evidence' to rationalise continuing these harmful industries.

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

Neither agree nor disagree

Why?

I would like to trust the Crown to actually listen to the stakeholders and respect their points of view enough to enact changes that would benefit everyone, not just those with financial interests in these industries.

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?

Principle: Strive to implement industry best practice in operations.

Disagree

Why?

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

Agree

Why?

great principle, but it seems impractical.

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

Agree

Why?

I'd like to know the Crown has really listened to the public and made great efforts to avoid the need for redress.

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

That the Crown's highest principle is to respect the needs of our planet/Papatuanuku.

Action areas intro

Action Area: Modernising the Crown Minerals Act

Agree

Why?

to reflect the current scientific information on our climate crisis, a modern government would cease operating these industries.

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

close the petroleum and mineral industries until the climate crisis is over.

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

Neither agree nor disagree

Why?

lumping mineral and energy needs together won't work. what are our mineral needs?
Innovation in providing energy should be pursued aggressively, ASAP.

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

Action Area: Improving Treaty partnership

Neither agree nor disagree

Why?

this should be ongoing, regardless of the issues.

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

enable Maori who want to continue these industries' operations as they are to understand the science so they appreciate the dire consequences.

Action Area: Improving stakeholder and community engagement

Agree

Why?

this should be ongoing.

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

the Crown show some genuine listening and respect the concerns of the public enough to compromise.

Action Area: Improving industry compliance

Agree

Why?

this compliance should include phasing out these operations and having enough staff to enforce laws in these areas.

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

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

Neither agree nor disagree

Why?

I suspect these actions would only prolong the pain of closing down these industries.

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"?

Interesting use of term 'strategy' when a more accurate term would be 'industry'.

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