

## Introduction

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### Position title (if applicable):

### Is this an individual submission or on behalf of a group or organisation?

Individual

### Please indicate which group you most identify with or are involved in?

General public

### Please specify the group that you most identify with

### Please indicate which type of group your submission represents

### Please specify the group or organisation that your submission is on behalf of.

### Vision

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

Strongly disagree

### Why?

Wrong way around. It needs to be: A world leading country that looks after the health of our place and our people, and has a world leading energy and minerals sector that plays it's role in a way that contributes to this

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

A world leading country that looks after the health of our place and our people, and has a world leading energy and minerals sector that plays it's role in a way that contributes to this

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

By starting with the land and the natural processes that maintain its health. By extracting in a way that maintains this. By developing a circular economy so that extracted materials are not lost, and extraction is minimised.

### 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 support the direction - BUT - this wording allows a way of justifying the status quo. Not enough emphasis on the health of the place and the natural processes. Each of these objectives needs a format of: To ...(task).... In a way that ...(multiple benefits)... So that ...(outcomes)...

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

Neither agree nor disagree

**Why?**

I support the direction - BUT - this wording allows a way of justifying the status quo. Not enough emphasis on the health of the place and the natural processes. Each of these objectives needs a format of: To ...(task).... In a way that ...(multiple benefits)... So that ...(outcomes)...

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

Agree

**Why?**

I support the direction - BUT - this wording allows a way of justifying the status quo. Not enough emphasis on the health of the place and the natural processes. Each of these objectives needs a format of: To ...(task).... In a way that ...(multiple benefits)... So that ...(outcomes)...

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

Each of these objectives needs a format of: To ...(task).... In a way that ...(multiple benefits)... So that ...(outcomes)...

**Guiding principles**

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

Neither agree nor disagree

**Why?**

I support the direction - BUT - The environment, ecosystems, and biodiversity need to be acknowledged as the source of the wealth, both now and in the future. 'Respected' is way too timid

**Principle: Māori cultural interests are understood and respected.**

Neither agree nor disagree

**Why?**

I support the direction - BUT - NZ cultural heritage needs to be acknowledged as a source of the wealth, both now and in the future. 'Respected' is way too timid

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

Neither agree nor disagree

**Why?**

I support the direction - BUT - The pace of climate change requires that we aim for way sooner than 2050

**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.**

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?**

**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?**

Fairness

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

Strongly agree

**Why?**

Fairness

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

Neither agree nor disagree

**Why?**

I agree with the direction - BUT - needs to include 'and protects the values of the land

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

Strongly disagree

**Why?**

Quite likely that we need to make a faster transition to carbon neutral, and this may mean reducing production

**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 disagree

**Why?**

Needs to include 'accounting for the need for timely response to climate change'

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

Agree

**Why?**

Fair

**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.**

Neither agree nor disagree

**Why?**

not directional enough

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

Neither agree nor disagree

**Why?**

Mindset needs to move from managing the industry to 'do less harm' to 'doing good'

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

Neither agree nor disagree

**Why?**

Mindset needs to move from managing the industry to 'do less harm' to 'doing good'

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

Mindset needs to move from managing the industry to 'do less harm' to 'doing good'

**Action areas intro**

**Action Area: Modernising the Crown Minerals Act**

Agree

**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**

Agree

**Why?**

As long as this is done in a '5 wellbeings' context, not a GDP context

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

**Action Area: Improving Treaty partnership**

Agree

**Why?**

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

**Action Area: Improving stakeholder and community engagement**

Agree

**Why?**

**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**

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”?**

**If you wish to, attach a document to this submission.**

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Yes

**Can we include your name?**

Yes

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No

**Can we include your business name or organisation?**

No

**Can we include your position title?**

No

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Yes

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