

## Introduction

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### Business name or organisation (if applicable):

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### Position title (if applicable):

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Individual

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Minerals sector

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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?

Well worded succinct vision statement.

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

no changes

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

By encouraging responsible extraction by New Zealand owned companies.

### 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?

The transition to a carbon neutral technologies will be driven by economic factors over time. NZPAM should be a neutral party on this allowing the extraction of both petroleum and coal while the efficiencies of alternative energy sources are improved.

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

Strongly agree

**Why?**

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

Agree

**Why?**

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

Effective policy should create an environment where New Zealand based junior/startup mineral and petroleum companies can thrive.

**Guiding principles**

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

Neither agree nor disagree

**Why?**

I strongly agree with protecting the environment and ecosystems.

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

Agree

**Why?**

Suggestion: Māori cultural interests are understood, respected and enhanced through effective mineral projects.

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

Disagree

**Why?**

NZPAM is responsible for regulating the extraction of carbon. We shouldn't advocate turning off the pipeline or coal mines until alternative fuel sources are economic. This could be pre or post 2050 but it shouldn't be determined by policy. Let the market decide.

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

Strongly disagree

**Why?**

This statement falls well short of what is already happening in mining companies around New Zealand. The impacts of operations should benefit the communities in which they operate. .

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

Agree

**Why?**

Recycling isn't always an option. Let the market decided whether or not recycling is the best idea.

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

Neither agree nor disagree

**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?**

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

Strongly agree

**Why?**

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

Strongly agree

**Why?**

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

Strongly agree

**Why?**

**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?**

Let the producers worry about the need for minerals. They are in a much better position to understand the demand for mineral products.

**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.**

Disagree

**Why?**

Health and Safety doesn't fall under the crown minerals act.

**Principle: Strive to implement industry best practice in operations.**

Strongly disagree

**Why?**

Let the operators worry about what is best industry practice. This is an unneeded intrusion on the autonomy of private companies.

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

Strongly disagree

**Why?**

The crown shouldn't be telling operators how to run their operations.

**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?**

**Action areas intro**

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

Disagree

**Why?**

The crown minerals act works well in its current state.

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

none

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

Strongly agree

**Why?**

Affordable resources are the backbone of any strong economy.

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

Encourage a thriving junior mining sector by easing financial requirements and permitting burdens for junior companies based in NZ.

**Action Area: Improving Treaty partnership**

Agree

**Why?**

The statement doesn't go far enough to establish how important iwi relationships are in minerals projects.

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

None, iwi engagement is already factored in as part of the consenting process.

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

Strongly disagree

**Why?**

Stakeholder and community engagement is already regulated by the regional councils as part of the consenting process.

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

none

**Action Area: Improving industry compliance**

Strongly disagree

**Why?**

Compliance in what realm? This is a very open-ended action statement.

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

none

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

Disagree

**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 crown minerals policy does not do enough to cultivate New Zealand based start-ups. This has led to a situation where most of larger operators are based offshore and the profits from their NZ based operations aren't excluded from the local economy. NZPAM should review the financial requirements section of their mineral permit guidelines to ensure profits from minerals and petroleum operations can be owned by kiwi's in the future.

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