

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 disagree

Why?

This statement would mean a continuation of an industry and sector that is jeopardising the health of the planet.

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

A sector that is within the coming 25 years changed into a carbon neutral sector.

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

New Zealand must regulate the minerals and petroleum sector so that it has as its goal to be climate neutral within 25 years. This shall be achieved via annual incremental targets to reach this goal. If the industry cannot reach a carbon neutral goal, then New Zealand cannot derive long term value from 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”.

Neither agree nor disagree

Why?

This objective can only be reached if the industry at the same time is regulated to achieve this goal. Regulation is the key to meeting objectives, not industry standards or understandings. but regulation.

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

Strongly disagree

Why?

This would lead to encouraging increased extraction at a time when we must have as a goal to be carbon neutral as a nation.

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

Strongly agree

Why?

Only via regulation will we become a carbon neutral nation and economy.

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.

Strongly agree

Why?

Principle: Māori cultural interests are understood and respected.

Agree

Why?

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

Strongly agree

Why?

This principle is backed by science from the IPCC warning of the imminent risks of global warming.

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

Neither agree nor disagree

Why?

Occasionally socio-economic reasons can sometimes be used as a reason to slow or stop implementing more environmentally friendly practices. This principle should be secondary to reaching a carbon neutral economy.

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

Neither agree nor disagree

Why?

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

Strongly agree

Why?

We are faced by a climate crisis with very challenging goals, our national and government goal should be a carbon neutral economy. All sectors should co-operate in reaching this goal.

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.

Strongly agree

Why?

These resources are our common good and should benefit all our nation. Norway is an example of a country that has achieved great national value from its petroleum sector.

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 disagree

Why?

All current permits should be secondary to our goal of reaching a carbon neutral economy.

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.

Disagree

Why?

This should only be secondary to our goal of reaching a carbon neutral economy.

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

Strongly agree

Why?

This principle makes for sound and transparent governance.

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 disagree

Why?

The principle should be to "Always implement industry best practice in operations".

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

Agree

Why?

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?

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

Action areas intro

Action Area: Modernising the Crown Minerals Act

Strongly agree

Why?

The minerals act should be used to achieve a carbon neutral goal for the minerals and petroleum sector.

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

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

Neither agree nor disagree

Why?

"Affordability" should also incorporate the true costs to society of the environmental harm both short and long term of the usage of carbon based fuels.

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

To guarantee that affordability incorporates all costs including those to society of the environmental harm both short and long term of the usage of carbon based fuels.

Action Area: Improving Treaty partnership

Agree

Why?

This creates a sound and just future for all peoples within New Zealand.

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

Action Area: Improving stakeholder and community engagement

Agree

Why?

This action area makes for sound and transparent governance.

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

Action Area: Improving industry compliance

Strongly agree

Why?

Without industry compliance we cannot reach a goal of becoming carbon neutral.

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?

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?

An action area should be to create a carbon neutral minerals and petroleum industry within 25 years.

Other

Are there any other comments you would like to make about the “Minerals and Petroleum Strategy for Aotearoa New Zealand: 2019-2029”?

We need to focus on the rapid phase-out of fossil fuel extraction, that means no more permit extensions and a halt to deep-sea drilling and fracking. This needs to include a just transition for the working people and communities whose jobs currently rely on fossil fuel extraction. The Government needs to support working people and unions to train for new careers in clean industries

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