

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?

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

A minerals and petroleum sector that leads the world by putting environmental and social considerations ahead of short-term financial gain.

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

By taking a long-term view and looking at how mining can produce value-added products, especially those that will contribute to the transition to a low-carbon economy.

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”.

Agree

Why?

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

Neither agree nor disagree

Why?

Agree with ‘innovative’, but ‘productive’ is more problematic, for example relating to fossil fuels.

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?

This statement isn't strong enough. Substitute 'protected' for 'respected'.

Principle: Māori cultural interests are understood and respected.

Agree

Why?

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

Strongly agree

Why?

Combating the climate emergency must underpin this entire strategy. There will need to be a clear time frame for the phase out of fossil fuels.

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

Strongly agree

Why?

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

Strongly agree

Why?

There also needs to be a commitment to reducing unnecessary consumption even if it does feed the great god GDP.

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?

Rather depends on what those strategic directions are!

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?

Though it depends on what you mean by 'fair'. Certainly at present, the return to the Crown is woefully inadequate.

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.

Disagree

Why?

Some of these permits – especially the old mining licences were issued decades ago. If land can be compulsorily acquired for public works, then mining permits should be withdrawn if it is for the public good, though reasonable compensation should be paid.

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?

Statement is unclear. Evidence of what? Economic gains? Environmental outcomes? The most important need of future generations is for a stable climate.

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.

Agree

Why?

Defined how?

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?

Action areas intro

Action Area: Modernising the Crown Minerals Act

Strongly 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?

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

Strongly 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”?

‘Natural capital’ should refer to protection of more than terrestrial and aquatic environments, and of biodiversity, essential though these are. It should include the abiotic factors of pH, temperature and climate (which is about more than just temperature) on which all life depends. A review of the Petroleum and Minerals strategy and legislation should be carried out in conjunction with a much-needed overhaul of the RMA.

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