

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?

The draft vision is an oxymoron. A minerals and petroleum industry contradict the objectives of environmental and social responsibility. icts

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

Phased out by year 2030.

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

By leaving those resources in the ground. Sustainability is value and value is sustainability.

Objectives for the minerals and petroleum sector

Objective for a sector that: “Responsible 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?

Efforts and investment are wasted if sustainability is not prioritised.

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

Strongly disagree

Why?

Why be productive and innovative for a society model which is not sustainable.

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

Disagree

Why?

Commerce is regulated by profit otherwise it is not successful commerce. (Don't give a management job to anyone who doesn't agree with this statement).

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

Options to develop renewable energies.

Guiding principles

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

Agree

Why?

Sustainability.

Principle: Māori cultural interests are understood and respected.

Agree

Why?

Treaty of Waitangi.

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

Strongly agree

Why?

I want my descendants to live and have a future.

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

Agree

Why?

To avoid possible devastating consequences of arrogant decision making.

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

Agree

Why?

Common sense. Eventually everything will have to be: "reusable, recyclable or biodegradable". This is simple logic.

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

Disagree

Why?

By "sectors" I presume you mean: transport, retail, manufacturing etc,etc, all of whom have so far shown little or no interest in sustainability. I agree that all mineral and petroleum actions should be consistent with government strategies.

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?

Treaty of Waitangi

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

Neither agree nor disagree

Why?

Viability is important but it does not take precedence over sustainability.

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

Disagree

Why?

The crown is elected to provide long term stability and sustainability. Reasonable and proportionate to "Person A" might be grossly unfair to "Person B"

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

Strongly disagree

Why?

Fossil fuels are ruining our climate and our environment. The health and future of the country is more important.

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 principle is secondary to the crown's responsibility to ensure a future for the country.

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?

Why? Every New Zealander is a stakeholder. Who is "Relevant"?

Do you agree or disagree with each of the following principles for Industry?

Principle: Pursue continuous improvements in health and safety.

Agree

Why?

Worthwhile objective.

Principle: Strive to implement industry best practice in operations.

Disagree

Why?

"Industry Best Practice" does not have a good track-record. Don't pursue appalling standards.

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

Disagree

Why?

Fossil fuels are ruining our climate and environment. I would prefer to see these operations preparing for winding-up.

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

Disagree

Why?

Jargon will not put lipstick on the pig. The proposed engagement is not bad but the motive is detestable.

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

Develop and make a profit on renewable energies and achieve zero carbon by 2050. Climate and environmental concerns must take precedence - otherwise all industrial efforts will become a waste.

Action areas intro

Action Area: Modernising the Crown Minerals Act

Neither agree nor disagree

Why?

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

Disagree

Why?

Why not develop renewables to meet our energy needs?

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

Action Area: Improving Treaty partnership

Neither agree nor disagree

Why?

A complex solution of diplomacy and fairness founded on the document is the appropriate way forward.

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

Action Area: Improving stakeholder and community engagement

Agree

Why?

All Kiwis are stakeholders in our climate and environment.

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

Acknowledge and act on the target of carbon neutrality by 2050.

Action Area: Improving industry compliance

Agree

Why?

One fossil fuel rogue is a gateway to a rogue fossil fuel industry.

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

Take steps toward the targets of replacing fossil fuels with renewables and achieving carbon neutrality.

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

Disagree

Why?

Not sustainable

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

Phase out mining and fossil fuels. The survey doesn't provide an opportunity to distinguish the acceptability of mining for low impact aggregate/rock/concrete, etc. Consequently my survey answers are treating them the same as fossil fuels (including coal and gas) which are causing disastrous outcomes.

Are there any other action areas you would like us to consider as part of advancing this Strategy?

Stop fracking.

Other

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

Mining for fossil fuels in New Zealand has an atrocious record of exploring, fracking and producing without regard for our climate and our environment. The time is now overdue to accelerate the move towards renewable energies and toward our zero carbon target.

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