

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 agree

Why?

I believe that the environment must be put before monetary profit when searching for and extracting minerals and oil in New Zealand and its territorial waters.

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

That is environmentally sustainable and does not harm the environment in any way.

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

By careful planning and not proceeding until sustainable methods are proved beyond any doubt to be sustainable.

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".

Strongly agree

Why?

Most environmental damage is usually either impossible to reverse or prohibitively expensive to amend. We must look at ways that cause no damage or harm in the first place.

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

Neither agree nor disagree

Why?

I don't believe that minerals and petroleum extraction provides benefits to all or even most New Zealanders.

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

Strongly agree

Why?

I don't believe that it has been effectively regulated up until now.

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?

We only have one planet which we are in the process of damaging beyond our ability to repair.

Principle: Māori cultural interests are understood and respected.

Strongly agree

Why?

One of the things that I love about New Zealand is its recognition of Maori stewardship and guardianship and I believe that their ideas of stewardship are far better than the average New Zealander's.

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

Strongly agree

Why?

We have to. If we don't, the planet we leave to our descendants will be a truly awful place to live.

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

Strongly agree

Why?

We have a history of unethical business practises leaving a trail of hurt which must be stopped.

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

Strongly agree

Why?

Because it makes sense to do so.

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?

As previously explained above.

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

Strongly agree

Why?

Unless there is a benefit for all New Zealanders then the whole idea should be reconsidered.

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?

No, these should all be reviewed to ensure that the current permit holders are behaving ethically and in a way that respects the environment.

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 agree

Why?

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.

Strongly agree

Why?

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

Strongly agree

Why?

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

Action Area: Improving Treaty partnership

Strongly 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

Strongly 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”?

No.

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