

Introduction

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Vision

Do you agree or disagree with the overall vision for the minerals and petroleum sector in New Zealand?

Neither agree nor disagree

Why?

I do not quite understand the proposition. I think both mineral and petroleum exploitation should be minimised for future of planet as a whole and NZ generally.

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

Provide alternatives and shut them down.

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

Depends on what you mean by 'value'. Forgetting mere monetary 'value', the general wellbeing of the environment is of most value.

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?

Again I do not think this a clear question. Refer to my previous answers for more clarification.

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

Neither agree nor disagree

Why?

I am not sure that 'industry' should have the aims equally 'productive' (connotations of financially beneficial) and 'innovative' which I see as being more geared to new answers , not essentially to do with business. Innovation and new thinking are essential for human survival in these days of climate change.

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

Neither agree nor disagree

Why?

Again I consider a poor query. 'Effectively regulated' to what end ? for financial gain or environmental survival ?

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

How to reduce to nil our dependence on oil and minimise or limit demands on finite minerals.

Guiding principles

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

Strongly agree

Why?

Consider alternative ... disaster ?

Principle: Māori cultural interests are understood and respected.

Agree

Why?

We have to respect the Treaty, but with understanding of whole picture.

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

Strongly agree

Why?

Probably 2050 is far too late but every little step may help.

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

Strongly agree

Why?

We are supposed to be a democracy aren't we

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

Strongly agree

Why?

This is a great way to go.

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?

But a strict watch must be kept on the (largely foreign owned) big Corporations who drive the sector..

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?

We are partners ...

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

Strongly disagree

Why?

If the sector is to be shut down, financial considerations should not be much of a concern, being so much less important than the future survival of the whole ecosystem

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

Strongly agree

Why?

Self vident

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

Disagree

Why?

Public wellbeing more important in long run than cleverly worded legal documents.

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?

Some rare metals may be essential, but both oil and coal should not be mined.

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

Agree

Why?

But these consultations must not be prolonged as the state of the planet is too serious for overlong discussions among people living in past when there was time for such often self aggrandising diatribes.

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

Principle: Pursue continuous improvements in health and safety.

Agree

Why?

Of course, but not in a way that stifles development and experimentation.

Principle: Strive to implement industry best practice in operations.

Neither agree nor disagree

Why?

Fear too many regulations may stifle those with new approaches.

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

Strongly agree

Why?

If there have to be more extractions, they must be as efficient as possible.

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

Agree

Why?

Good goal but again must not be stifling by too much talk and too many rules.

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

Action areas intro

Action Area: Modernising the Crown Minerals Act

Neither agree nor disagree

Why?

Do not know enough re Crown Minerals Act.

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?

Effort n finding alternatives encouraged.

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

Action Area: Improving Treaty partnership

Neither agree nor disagree

Why?

There are massive other problems for all living things.

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

Action Area: Improving stakeholder and community engagement

Agree

Why?

Essential to have public support as long as it does not slow urgent action

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

Action Area: Improving industry compliance

Agree

Why?

Industry must be brought along with policies, but not too regimentated.

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?

Best chance for future

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”?

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