

## Introduction

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Individual

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General public

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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?**

Neutral on this one. Minerals aside, is it possible to have a petroleum sector that delivers value for NZers with the inevitable environmental and social effects the industry will create both now and in the future?

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

Not educated enough on the matter to determine a vision sorry.

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

Extensive offsetting measures for all social and environmental effects that resource extraction causes.

**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?**

Seems fairly comprehensive.

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

Strongly agree

**Why?**

Two buzzwords but important nonetheless.

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

Strongly agree

**Why?**

For something as contentious as mineral and petroleum resource extraction, strong regulation is necessary to safeguard economic, social and environmental outcomes.

**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?**

No-brainer here. The Crown and industry must give the highest priority the regard to respecting this principle with the new Resource Strategy.

**Principle: Māori cultural interests are understood and respected.**

Strongly agree

**Why?**

Iwi must be consulted on all manner of actions taken by Crown or industry under the new Resource Strategy.

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

Strongly agree

**Why?**

By 2050 or sooner! Crucial for obvious reasons, the planet is very sick currently.

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

Strongly agree

**Why?**

Resource extraction must widely benefit the local community adjacent.

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

Strongly agree

**Why?**

A circular economy is (and will increasingly become so) a strong economy.

**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?**

Actions taken by these sectors should have wider benefits than to those directly involved if possible.

**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?**

The ToW is Aotearoa's founding document, and not adhering to it will lead to civil unrest such as seen in the UK and US currently.

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

Agree

**Why?**

'Fair' being the operative word here. What constitutes fair should be determined with care, and obviously those returns proportionately reinvested in the those communities where resources are being extracted.

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

Strongly agree

**Why?**

Would be interested to talk with whoever doesn't strongly agree with this principle.

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

Neither agree nor disagree

**Why?**

If it's possible to revoke current permit holders' exploration for petroleum without serious legal backlash, I think we should given the current climate.

**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?**

Best evidence is always best! But could we be avoiding accounting for foreseeable needs for petroleum specifically, and working out alternative sources to fuel our needs now and for future generations?

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

Strongly agree

**Why?**

Essential.

**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?**

Not sure what year this Act was from, but for such a dynamic sector surely any modernisation is good practice.

**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?**

Affordability is always key.

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

**Action Area: Improving Treaty partnership**

Strongly agree

**Why?**

Constantly aiming to solidify the Treaty partnership should always be committed to

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

**Action Area: Improving stakeholder and community engagement**

Strongly agree

**Why?**

For a healthy democracy.

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

**Action Area: Improving industry compliance**

Strongly agree

**Why?**

Keep these industries in line, mate.

**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?**

Crucial.

**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”?**

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.

We need to build a circular economy that focuses on recycling and utilising waste resources before new mining for materials for the cleantech economy.

Any extraction of minerals should only happen with greater input by iwi and hapu and with minimal environmental impact.

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