

## Climate Change Contribution Consultation

I am submitting this as an individual who has benefitted from being a post war baby boomer.

I believe strongly that our nation has to do everything we can to decrease our contribution to climate change. We need to immediately seriously work towards the target of 5% below the 1990 emissions target by 2020.

We should not be using our dairy farming as an excuse for our high emissions. We can do much more about our agricultural emissions eg by discouraging intensive dairying and further irrigation schemes; organic farming produces comparatively low emissions so needs to be actively encouraged.

We need to forgo the carbon trading and offsets which have done nothing to lower our emissions. We do need to have a carbon tax. I support the Iwi Climate Change Leaders Group suggestion of the \$15 per tonne tax on emissions. We should not be expecting individuals to pay but industries to do so. It is important that there is not further tax on the poor.

It is important the forestry have a compulsory replanting scheme ie every tree that is felled has a replacement planted.

Power production needs to become 90% from renewable sources. All coal fired power stations need to be phased out immediately.

We need to invest in biofuel production.

We need a much extended and promoted public transport system.

Electrically powered transportation needs to be encouraged and promoted. This includes: maintaining and extending the use of electrically powered railways

Encouraging the production and conversion to of electrically powered cars

Electric refuelling stations readily available

Exempting electric vehicles from road user charges

Dedicated cycle tracks in all urban areas needs to be supported and extended.

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