

# Your submission to Zero Carbon Bill

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### Clause

1. What process should the Government use to set a new emissions reduction target in legislation?

### Position

The Government sets a 2050 target in legislation now

### Notes

Lets get moving!

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2. If the Government sets a 2050 target now, which is the best target for New Zealand?

### Position

Net Zero Long-Lived Gases and Stabilised Short-Lived Gases - Long-lived gases to net zero by 2050 while also stabilising short-lived gases

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3. How should New Zealand meet its targets?

### Position

Domestic emissions reductions only (including from new forest planting)

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4. Should the Zero Carbon Bill allow the 2050 target to be revised if circumstances change?

### Position

No

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5. The Government proposes that three emissions budgets of five years each (i.e. covering the next 15 years) be in place at any given time. Do you agree with this proposal?

### Position

Yes

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6. Should the Government be able to alter the last emissions budget (i.e. furthest into the future)?

### Position

No - emissions budgets should not be able to be changed

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7. Should the Government have the ability to review and adjust the second emissions budget within a specific range under exceptional circumstances? See p36 Our Climate Your Say

### Position

No

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9. Should the Zero Carbon Bill require Governments to set out plans within a certain timeframe to achieve the emissions budgets?

### Position

Yes

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10. What are the most important issues for the Government to consider in setting plans to meet budgets? For example, who do we need to work with, what else needs to be considered?

**Notes**

Making sure those that can least afford it are least effected.

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11. The Government has proposed that the Climate Change Commission advises on and monitors New Zealand's progress towards its goals. Do you agree with these functions? See p42 Our Climate Your Say

**Position**

Yes

**Notes****Clause**

12. What role do you think the Climate Change Commission should have in relation to the New Zealand Emissions Trading Scheme (NZ ETS)?

**Position**

Makes decisions itself in respect of the number of units available in the NZ ETS

**Notes****Clause**

13. The Government has proposed that Climate Change Commissioners need to have a range of essential and desirable expertise. Do you agree with the proposed expertise? See p45 Our Climate Your Say

**Position**

Yes

**Notes**

Absolutely, otherwise we end up like America with someone like Scott Pruitt in charge of the EPA

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15. The Government has proposed a number of new functions to help us adapt to climate change. Do you agree with the proposed functions? See p47 Our Climate Your Say

**Position**

Yes

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Do you have any other comments you'd like to make?

**Notes**

There are so many easy things we should be ticking off. Target solar incentives in areas where fossil fuels are burned. More wind energy. Incentives for farmer to plant forest on less productive land and even along side paddocks. Use prisons for tree nurseries which would teach prisoners valuable life skills, Use community service to plant trees. Continue to tax fuel but make NZ an easy place to buy electric cars. Speed up use of technology in cars so that driving on Motorways and highways is taken over by computers. Traffic jams would be a thing of the past. Continue with Trams and electric trains but make sure they are a cheap alternative. We must also try to move to a more circular economy with our waste. Allow travellers to NZ to offset their carbon foot print (Voluntarily) but it will help show we are starting to live up to our 100% pure image. Stop farming in areas like the Mackenzie basin. I have no problem with our farming industry if we can start to do it more sustainably.