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<b>A climate law like the Zero Carbon Act is important because...</b>	it will be the central uniting strategy for facing our climate change challenge. Surviving the climate change we have already set in train as an organised global civilization means we will positively impact all components of human sustainability: economic, social and cultural.
<b>Long-term target</b>	I support the most ambitious target of reducing total greenhouse gases to net zero by 2050. I also support taking a science-based approach to ensure our efforts to reduce emissions are as impactful as possible: we should aim for negative levels of long-lived gases, while reducing short-lived gases to sustainable levels. This target should be reached by reducing our own emissions and not by using international carbon credits.
<b>Climate Commission</b>	I support the establishment of an independent Climate Commission that is made up of experts and provides advice, but does not make final decisions.
<b>Adaptation</b>	I support a plan for adaptation being included in the Zero Carbon Act.
<b>Climate justice</b>	A Zero Carbon Act must be just and fair in that it honours Te Tiriti o Waitangi; ensures a just transition for workers and communities; and avoids passing on the costs to future generations.
<b>Further comments</b>	A fiscally neutral carbon tax is a really good idea. Ameliorating the impact of the zero carbon act on those industries and individuals most invested in fossil fuels and traditional farming will also be a vital aspect of the Act: however, their inconvenience and resistance must not be allowed to deflect our nation's will and urgent need to achieve the carbon neutral goal by 2050.