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A climate law like the Zero Carbon Act is important because...	NZ must act now to take drastic action to cut Carbon. We should be leading the way globally in this area. Almost half of NZ's emission inventory results from agriculture - with Methane making up the majority of emissions from the sector. We must be innovative as Kaitiaki of our natural environment and we must protect the planet for future generations.
Long-term target	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. If International credits are used then they must be verified as being 'real' and should not impact NZ's carbon credits by lowering the price and reducing incentives to plant trees in NZ.
Climate Commission	I support the establishment of an independent Climate Commission that is made up of experts and provides advice, but does not make final decisions.
Adaptation	I support a plan for adaptation being included in the Zero Carbon Act.
Climate justice	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.
Further comments	