

Your submission to Zero Carbon Bill

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

Notes

There should be no emissions reduction target in legislation

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

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No legislated target

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3. How should New Zealand meet its targets?

Notes

Targets should be aspirational encouraged by incentives if necessary

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

Position

Yes

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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

No

Notes

Govt enforced budgets are a costly answer to a problem that probably doesn't exist. Increased atmospheric carbon so far has been beneficial to plant growth and food production. Harmful effects are hyped up by politicians promoting their own ideology.

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

Notes

No emissions budgets

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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

Notes

As above

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8. Do you agree with the considerations we propose that the Government and the Climate Change Commission take into account when advising on and setting budgets? See p44 Our Climate Your Say

Position

No

Notes

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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

No

Notes

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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

No

Notes

Climate Commission should be able to carry out independent research into global warming threats if any

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

Notes

An emissions trading scheme is a waste of time and money

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14. Do you think the Zero Carbon Bill should cover adapting to climate change?

Position

No

Notes

There should be no zero carbon bill. Any thing that NZ does will make no difference to global carbon or climate. The whole process is a waste of time and merely panders to political ideology and will massively penalise the country.

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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

No

Notes

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16. Should we explore setting up a targeted adaptation reporting power that could see some organisations share information on their exposure to climate change risks?

Position

No

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

Notes

Climate change is a natural process that mankind has only a marginal effect upon. Until real evidence emerges of detrimental effects, rather than computer models that have been proven to give major overestimates of warming, no legislative action should be taken, other than aspirational.