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?
Notes
The Government need'd to have a policy made for the displacement of Pasifika people due to climat change

Clause 2. If the Government sets a 2050 target now, which is the best target for New Zealand?
Notes
Calling out neoliberal business who cause the most emissions. Leave fossil fuels in the ground.

Clause 3. How should New Zealand meet its targets?
Notes
Focus on what we do in N.Z first. Get that tight, solid & running well then model what we do to the rest of the world.

Clause 4. Should the Zero Carbon Bill allow the 2050 target to be revised if circumstances change?
Position
Yes
Notes
Yes keep it real. Treat it as a living document

Clause 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
Notes
Yes but what is the reality here? Can this be done? Or is it just a pipe dream?

Clause 6. Should the Government be able to alter the last emissions budget (i.e. furthest into the future)?
Notes
That is a tricky one. If National get's back in, in 2020 I would say no because I do not trust them. I would say yes if the Government was being lead by the Green Party. I sit on the fence with Labour. I do not have full faith in them to keep their word here.

Clause 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
If it was the current government then yes. If it was a National lead government then I would say no. They put profit before planet & people

Clause 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
Notes
Yes but the Green Party is lacking the human element & that is our Pasifika people. People like me. Our voices are not being heard yet we & our lands are majorly affected by climate change yet we contribute the least amount to this serious issue
Clause
9. Should the Zero Carbon Bill require Governments to set out plans within a certain timeframe to achieve the emissions budgets?
Position
Yes
Notes
It's imperative other wise our planet will die & so will we

Clause
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
You need to work more closely with the Pasifika community. Not just let Labour do that. I have watched Hon Aupito William Sio & Hon Dr Megan Woods battle it out over climate change & the affects on Pasifika people. I agree with Hon Aupito "there are no job's on a dead planet". Sadly Hon Dr Megan was fixated on not making changes that would leave people jobless. I believe that this is a fine line to walk on. Our Pasifika people have already lost vital parts of our lands, food supply & income due to climate change.

Clause
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
Advising the Government on policy settings 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
Please don't leave out Pasifika people with ecological wisdom

Clause
14. Do you think the Zero Carbon Bill should cover adapting to climate change?
Position
Yes
Notes
Yes & it needs to have the human element added to it which is currently missing "Pasifika People Displaced by Climate Change".

Clause
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
Notes
For the most part

Clause
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
Yes
Notes

Clause
Do you have any other comments you'd like to make?
Notes
Please stop leaving Pasifika people out of these important conversations. I am Niuean. In 2004 cyclone Heta made a mess of the
Pacific & my beautiful Island hasn't been the same since. When I wen't home last year I was very sad to learn that my Island had not produced a solid crop of mangoes in 5 years. This is due to cyclones & weather bombs going through in the blossom season. What happens is the weather ruins all the blossoms & blows them off the trees. That is why my Island no longer produces mangoes. This hurts me because they used to be plentiful. The village of Vaiea in Niue has become home to people displaced by climate change who come from Tokelau. What the Niue Government say's about this situation & what I heard from my Niuean family & saw in the village was very different. The holding period in Niue for people from Tokelau is 5 years before they are able to get N.Z citizenship. I believe this situation needs to be urgently looked at. It seems quite unjust. Whilst I might not be loosing my whenua yet it will happen one day I would like to see major changes so that this doesn't happen. Pasifika people are heart speakers, we have ecological wisdom that has been passed down over the years. Please stop shutting us out from these conversations. We contribute the least yet we suffer the most. Planet & People before profit. There are no jobs on a dead planet.