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

Clause
2. If the Government sets a 2050 target now, which is the best target for New Zealand?
Position
Net Zero Emissions - Net zero emissions across all greenhouse gases by 2050
Notes

Clause
3. How should New Zealand meet its targets?
Position
Domestic emissions reductions (including from new forest planting) and using some emissions reductions from overseas (international carbon units) that have strong environmental safeguards
Notes

Clause
4. Should the Zero Carbon Bill allow the 2050 target to be revised if circumstances change?
Position
No
Notes
We should be focused on the goal. Shifting the goal posts is the slippery slope to not getting to our target, unless of course it is brought forward.

Clause
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
Notes

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
Position
No
Notes

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
Position
Yes
Notes

Clause
9. Should the Zero Carbon Bill require Governments to set out plans within a certain timeframe to achieve the emissions budgets?
Position
Yes
### 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**
The government needs to work with local government and communities. They need to consider carefully the impact on the environment, the impact on biodiversity, sustainability and people’s health. The must work towards fair outcomes and be cost effective!

### 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**

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

**Position**
Yes

**Notes**

### 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

**Position**
Yes

**Notes**

### 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**
2050 is surely enough time for us to be zero carbon so lets go for it, earlier if possible.