

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?

Position

The Government sets a 2050 target in legislation now

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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

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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

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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

Yes

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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

Yes if ahead of the desired 2050 outcome (on for the 15 years) and a stronger position is being set to be achieved than expected.

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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

Position

No

Notes

proper and effective collaboration will insure appropriate negotiations are made early on

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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

Yes

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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

Yes

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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?

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If hours of work for individuals change and expectations on income change, how will banks view mortgage repayments and what will the expectations be that the workforce operate from office environs as opposed to being mobile. Does this have an affect on use of existing infrastructure and dependencies we have developed? Emissions are a centralised and an industrial production problem. I get the impression that as performance of businesses/industry adapts to only needing to report on adverse effects found out by their autonomous monitoring (as opposed to stipulated data detail) the responsibility shift has the potential to change/reduce regulatory resourcing needs.

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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

Notes

Depend on who the climate change commission is paid by and whether they are seen as impartial and/or representing all parties to be affected. Are they an independent group or a govt agency?

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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)?

Position

Advising the Government on policy settings in the NZ ETS

Notes

if the climate change commission is subject to disincentive to see the outcome to its 2050 goal or one which is even quicker, and there is no vision for reversing the carbon loss and that being an ongoing role, the advise may stand to resist NZ achieving full potential

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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

I want to see new blood get involved. We can't afford to have old heads dominating the dialogue. Creativity is important

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

Position

Yes

Notes

This is a connected function which may or may not need to move at the same pace. Its part of a culture shift and losing the attachment to typical urban construct/spread.

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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

Yes

Notes

In my view local authority infrastructure expansion with respect to underground and overhead services should come to an end. Local sourcing and new construction needs to be completely raised to the fore in the vein of Regen villages which are being built in Europe and earmarked for North Africa. an urban-rural continuum which does not waste water by producing blackwater - creating unnecessary risk. The culture around human poo has to make a big shift.

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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

Yes

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