

# Consultation on setting New Zealand's post-2020 climate change target



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## Objectives for the contribution

Do you agree with these objectives for our contribution?

1b. What is most important to you?

It is very important to me that we do much more than we have been doing under the national govt to reduce emissions.

This govt does not make a fair contribution to preventing global warming.

I would be prepared to suffer a lowering in my comfort levels if it meant that we were preventing climate warming and not leaving our grandchildren to suffer the consequences of doing nothing.

What would be a fair contribution for New Zealand?

2. What do you think the nature of New Zealand's emissions and economy means for the level of target that we set?

Yes agriculture is a main contributor of emissions in nz. But so is transport and business. Maybe we all need to be realistic and realise that our high standard of living is not sustainable. 2/3 of the world don't have our levels of consumption and luxury so why should we think we are special!

How will our contribution affect New Zealanders?

3. What level of cost is appropriate for New Zealand to reduce it's greenhouse gas emissions? For example, what would be a reasonable reduction in annual household consumption?

I don't know the figures. But I do know that a lot of people spend & earn ( and accumulate) a lot more money than I do and yet I consider my self comfortably off and I could make some contribution to lowering our emissions. I simply think we are all too comfortably off in nz and we could shave quite a lot from our comfortable lifestyles so we can avert the catastrophe that is global warming.

4. Of the opportunities for New Zealand to reduce its emissions (as outlined on page 15 of the discussion document), which do you think are the most likely to occur, or be most important for New Zealand?

Agriculture causes 1/2 our emissions and the other 1/2 is caused by transport and energy use.

It is difficult to curtail these activities as obviously our economy has to be maintained. But if we don't the consequence of not doing anything are much worse.

So simply put we just have to accept that something has to change.

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If that means taxing emitters so that emissions are reduced than so be it.  
I'm sure we will all survive.

Summary

5. How should New Zealand take into account the future uncertainties of technologies and costs when setting its target?

Other comments

6. Is there any further information you wish the Government to consider? Please explain.