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?   Yes

1b. What is most important to you?
The future generations to come and being true to the Kiwi mentality of striving to achieve the best outcome we possibly can in the situation we are in.

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?
Kiwis need to think ahead. As a country we have the ability to contribute to reducing emissions but most individuals feel that they are insignificant in the process so shy away. Simply showing the public how, why and what they can do in a simple format could mean that they are onboard for the 2% target and do not dismiss it instantly due to feeling it is too ambitious.

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?
15% Provided that there was a fair distribution of contributions based on usage and potentially income level (obviously that would need a lot more discussion).

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?
I believe we could increase to a 90% level of renewable energy.
Take advantage of advancing technology in the agricultural sector to reduce emissions.

Summary

5. How should New Zealand take into account the future uncertainties of technologies and costs when setting its target?
Use past information to make an educated guess or maybe base it on current information and additional progress towards the target is classified as a bonus.
6. Is there any further information you wish the Government to consider? Please explain. The government feel they can get away with softer contributions because they do not have enough pressure from the public. Get the kids onboard and they will feed the knowledge to adults that are stuck in their ways. It's all about the kids future after all.