

# 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?

A fair and ambitious contribution - just like New Zealand made a huge contribution to WWI and WWII we cannot shun our responsibility in other global crises.

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?

Aim for a 50% emissions reduction by 2040 - still a far cry from Swedens 2050 target.

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?

At moderate cost, it will help save New Zealand against rising sea levels and preserve our ecosystem.

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?

Increase our levels of renewable electricity generation back to 100%, close down the Huntly power station (the single largest emitter of CO2 in New Zealand), reduce traffic emissions by removing the RUC for light diesel vehicles and by waiving the car registration fees for hybrid or electric vehicles. Increase petrol taxes to make car travel less attractive. Set standard rate for electricity fed back into the grid by residential customers (e.g. by PV panels). Provide more tax incentives to forest growers.

## Summary

5. How should New Zealand take into account the future uncertainties of technologies and costs when setting its target? Only rely on tried and tested technology.

Other comments

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6. Is there any further information you wish the Government to consider? Please explain.  
Shut down the Huntly power station as this is the single largest emitter of CO2 in New Zealand.  
Provide more incentives to switch from petrol to diesel to hybrid/electric vehicles and to public transport.  
Provide incentives for private solar panel installations (both hot water and PV) similar to the schemes available for insulation.  
Force commercial buildings to use less energy as their insulation properties are far inferior to new residential buildings.