

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 most important thing is to protect New Zealand from dangerous temperature rises. A minimum of 40% emissions reduction by 2030 is necessary to prevent serious effects to our way of life, our economy and our environment.

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?

We have to reduce agricultural emissions from 48% to 25%. This is going to have a huge effect on our economy but perhaps it is time to consider looking at other areas that will maintain our economy like winery for example. We have to continue research in agriculture and support projects overseas. We must educate the children and general public about climate change as this is lacking. We should focus on educating individuals on what they can do to use energy efficiently like using solar heating, electric cars, increasing housing standards so they are well insulated and conserve energy when possible. We must recycle wastes everywhere in the country.

How will our contribution affect New Zealanders?

3. What level of cost is appropriate for New Zealand to reduce its greenhouse gas emissions? For example, what would be a reasonable reduction in annual household consumption? -1,800 per annum

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?

A transition to a low carbon economy leads to greater energy security and limits our vulnerability to oil price volatility, supply disruptions and potentially high future carbon prices.

Summary

5. How should New Zealand take into account the future uncertainties of technologies and costs when setting its target? Set a minimum and maximum targets to take this in to account.

Other comments

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

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