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To: Climate Contribution
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I wish to make a submission on climate Change:

I have read the NZ Govt "Discussion Document" titled New Zealand's Climate Change Target and I am not happy with this Government's attention to this huge global crisis.

New Zealand has the opportunity to make a stand on Climate Change, to be a world leader, as we have been before with Giving Women the vote & Anti-Nuclear. Let us stand up loud & proud and say no to climate change. Say no to carbon emissions. We can do this. We are still able to do this, but it needs this Government to take the lead, make it a priority, and be a country that others look up to!

Cut carbon emissions, stop enticing oil companies to drill off our shores, encourage & subsidise solar power in homes, or educate the public on what they can do, so that we have a happy & healthy future. So that New Zealand is a place that can be known again for being "Clean & Green".

The NZ Govt is spending \$26 Million!!! on a flag campaign, we were told at the public meeting that "considerably less" was being spent on this campaign. The Climate Change meeting attracted well over 300 people on a cold wet night in Dunedin with very little publication in comparison to the Flag Referendum meeting, well advertised, again a bad weather evening, but attracted 12, yes 12 people!

Our flag is fine - leave it alone. The Climate Change is going to affect us & soon! If you want to leave you legacy with having done something great for NZ - save our country, put NZ on the world map for making real changes to save our planet. This is going to happen unless we make changes. But this discussion document doesn't go far enough! It does next to nothing!

The sea level will rise, small Pacific Islands will lose land & we will be one of the first places they turn to. The rise in temperature will have huge effects on the world.

Please, please please, when you go to Paris, to the International Climate Change meeting, please think of all New Zealanders' future's. Vote to reduce the world's, (& New Zealand's) green house gas emissions to meet the world's agreed target of 2degC.

Please be consistent with our own Resource Management Act of 1991, where it states: "Purpose": "... is to promote the sustainable management of natural and physical resources." This "means managing the use, development, and protection of natural and physical resources in a way, or at a rate, which enables people and communities to provide for their social, economic, and cultural wellbeing and for their health and safety while – (a) sustaining the potential of natural and physical resources to meet the reasonable foreseeable needs of future generations; and (b) Safeguarding the life supporting capacity of air, water, soil, and ecosystems; and (c) Avoiding, remedying, or mitigating any adverse effects of activities on the environment."

Please make a stand for New Zealand's future and make New Zealand's Climate Change Target something that this current NZ Govt leaves behind as its legacy!

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