

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? No

1b. What is most important to you?

First, any climate change actions at all should be conditional upon actual global warming resuming - static for 17 years so far.

Second, if global warming resumes, adaptive measures should be tried before emissions controls. Scientists and engineers are likely to devise more cost-effective solutions.

Third, if adaptations prove inadequate, then emissions controls should be adopted only if all the large emitting countries do likewise.

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 are vulnerable to emissions targets for non CO2 greenhouse gasses.

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?

No controls are reasonable, and should be agreed to only if our trade requires it.

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? What is important and what is likely are different things

Summary

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

Other comments

6. Is there any further information you wish the Government to consider? Please explain. The govt should consult New Zealand's interests first.