

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? That we create a world we want our children to inherit.

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 do not need to balance the environment v the economy. If we target green growth through focus on renewable electricity, public transport, electric cars etc. We should aim to be a world leader.

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?

This is not a great question. Government and local bodies needs to shape this. This can be done by spending on infrastructure such as transport. We also need to concentrate on our producers such as farmers, manufacturers etc and ensure they are operating sustainability. While I dont believe consumption is a relevant measure I think 5% could be easily achieved.

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? Emissions from agriculture. We are well placed to change this.

Summary

5. How should New Zealand take into account the future uncertainties of technologies and costs when setting its target? Set a higher benchmark and embrace new technologies as they come onboard.

Other comments

6. Is there any further information you wish the Government to consider? Please explain.
Government seems to be paying no more than lip service to climate change. It's time to take it seriously.