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?
I think the following statement which was made by one of our friends puts it very well:
"We should set the target at reducing our emissions by 40% by 2030 and bring them to zero by 2050. It is achievable. Cost should not be a factor as the survival of our species depends on it." Once the latter part of that statement is truly understood, it is only the people who do not care about the survival of our species that will not get behind making this happen. Unfortunately I think there are more of them than us. I hope I am proved wrong.

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?

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?

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?

Summary

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

Other comments

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