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1. Do you agree with the proposed vision and goals for the action plan? Which goals are you most supportive of? Are there any other goals that should be considered?

I support the Vision and Goals, but they need to be stronger. We aren't playing politics here. We are in a climate crisis and we need strong action:

- Electrifying Government fleets: It's not just government. Useful pragmatic incentives are needed to help individuals and business electrify.
- Increasing public and active transport: Other jurisdictions around the world have electrified their public transport fleet. Tasmania needs to do the same by 2030.
- Reduce organic waste by 50%: This is not enough. We need to reduce waste to zero by 2030
- Plantations and Agroforestry: There are other serious GHG emitters in the agrifood and forest sectors. We need to bring them along to net zero by 2030
- Reducing livestock emissions: There are other serious GHG emitters in the agrifood and forest sectors. We need also to bring them along to net zero by 2030

2. Will the three priority areas -
- (1) information and knowledge
 - (2) transition and innovation and
 - (3) adaptation and resilience, help Tasmania achieve its legislated 2030 emissions reduction target, and its vision for action on climate change?
- Are there other issues not covered by the three priority areas?

The govt spruiks that we are at net zero as a state already. I'd like to think this is true. But this obviously isn't good enough. Bring each sector to net zero. Don't counter one with the other and don't reply on offsets.

3. Will the key actions under Priority area 1 help support decision making for you and your community or organisation? What types of projects should be supported under the final action plan?

Remember how we listened to the science, the experts with COVID? Then do this with GHG emissions. Follow the best science to ensure that (and I paraphrase the TCC):

- All major projects will only be permitted to proceed with poof of their net zero impact on environments threatened by climate change.
- No new coal of gas developments to be approved
- We achieve real GHG emissions reduction, rather than a reliance on carbon offsets.
- We replace native forest logging with agroforestry
- Tasmania's highly polluting businesses are forced to reduce their emissions, without the use of offsets

4. Will the key actions under Priority area 2 support Tasmania to achieve its 2030 emissions reduction target and continued emissions reduction across Tasmania? What types of projects should be supported under the final action plan?

Sectors need stick and carrots to ensure they use a science based approach and include clear targets that are ambitious, measurable and do not rely on offsets.

- Big polluting businesses must be made to reduce their emissions.
- Low income sectors of the community need to be supported to electrify everything.
- Native forest logging must stop.
- We can no longer tolerate new coal and gas developments.
- Burning organic matter for energy is not a useful solution. We need to electrify everything.

5. Will the key actions under Priority area 3 build resilience and support adaptation planning across Tasmania? What types of projects should be supported under the final action plan?

Capability and capacity need to receive significant funding, to help communities prepare for disasters and to increase firefighting readiness and effectiveness in remote, wilderness areas.

6. Are there other ways the government could make its action on climate change, and progress towards meeting its targets, more transparent and accessible?

I can't put it better than the TCC:

- End native forest logging
- No new coal or gas
- Electrify everything - subsidies and rebates to get households onto solar, heat pumps, more efficient water heating, induction stoves.
- Ensure big polluting business make reductions to emissions. These have to be real reductions and not just offset by carbon credits.
- New public housing should include rooftop solar, community batteries, insulation and electric appliances. Existing public housing should be retrofitted with these.
- Biomass energy needs to be limited.
- Ensure that new renewable projects met stringent environmental and community standards and properly follow the principle of "community consultation"
- Ensure that new renewable projects benefit Tasmanians more than large multinational corporations.
- Reform political donation laws that publish all donations over \$1000 in real time. It is important for public transparency to see political donations from carbon intensive businesses.
- Ban fossil fuel advertising and sponsorships
- Ensure public transport is 100% renewable by 2030
- We need better urban planning to ensure efficient public transport

7. If you have any further questions or feedback please add it here

Listen to the experts. This is a climate crisis, and we can not listen to the polluters. We can work with them, but only if they are serious about bringing their sectors to zero.

8. Please provide your full name, or the name of your organisation *

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Yes

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