

Climate Priorities Ministerial Group Meeting

| Date | 17 February 2025 | Time | 6:00-7:00pm | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Venue | Ministerial Meeting Room, Level 2, Executive Wing, Parliament Buildings | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| Attendees | <p>Rt Hon Christopher Luxon – Prime Minister</p> <p><u>Core members*</u></p> <p>Hon Simon Watts – Minister of Climate Change, Minister for Energy, Minister of Local Government Hon Nicola Willis – Minister of Finance Hon Chris Bishop – Minister of Housing, Minister for Infrastructure, Minister Responsible for RMA Reform, Minister of Transport Hon Todd McClay – Minister of Agriculture, Minister of Forestry, Minister for Trade and Investment Rt Hon Winston Peters – Minister of Foreign Affairs</p> <p><i>*Core members are strongly encouraged to attend due to materiality of issues for discussion</i></p> <p><u>High interest members</u></p> <p>Hon Tama Potaka – Minister of Conservation, Minister for Māori Crown Relations: Te Arawhiti Hon David Seymour – Minister for Regulation Hon Shane Jones – Minister for Regional Development, Minister for Resources Hon Mark Patterson – Minister for Rural Communities Simon Court MP – Parliamentary Undersecretary to the Minister for Infrastructure and Minister Responsible for RMA Reform</p> <p><u>Optional attendees</u></p> <table><tr><td>Hon Simeon Brown</td><td>Hon Andrew Bayly</td></tr><tr><td>Hon Erica Stanford</td><td>James Meager MP</td></tr><tr><td>Hon Paul Goldsmith</td><td>Hon Brooke van Velden</td></tr><tr><td>Hon Louise Upston</td><td>Hon Nicole McKee</td></tr><tr><td>Hon Judith Collins KC</td><td>Hon Andrew Hoggard</td></tr><tr><td>Hon Dr Shane Reti - <i>tentative</i></td><td>Hon Karen Chhour</td></tr><tr><td>Hon Matt Doocey</td><td>Hon Casey Costello</td></tr><tr><td>Hon Nicola Grigg</td><td>Jenny Marcroft MP</td></tr></table> | | | Hon Simeon Brown | Hon Andrew Bayly | Hon Erica Stanford | James Meager MP | Hon Paul Goldsmith | Hon Brooke van Velden | Hon Louise Upston | Hon Nicole McKee | Hon Judith Collins KC | Hon Andrew Hoggard | Hon Dr Shane Reti - <i>tentative</i> | Hon Karen Chhour | Hon Matt Doocey | Hon Casey Costello | Hon Nicola Grigg | Jenny Marcroft MP |
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| Apologies | <p>Hon Mark Mitchell – Minister for Emergency Management and Recovery Hon Chris Penk – Minister for Building and Construction, Minister for Land Information Hon Penny Simmonds – Minister for the Environment</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

Meeting open – Welcome

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| 1 | 5 mins | <p>Welcome / confirm purpose of meeting Chair: Hon Simon Watts</p> | |
| | | <p>Meeting objectives:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss and agree the long-term strategic direction the Adaptation Framework needs to take, 9(2)(f)(iv) Agree on the scope and ambition for this term of Government and sequencing of decisions. | |

| Key discussion item | | | |
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| 2 | 45 mins | Emerging policy positions for the Adaptation Framework Lead: Hon Simon Watts | |
| | | <p>9(2)(f)(iv)</p> <p>Risks and issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Major weather events expose the Crown to significant fiscal risk, as well as precedent setting for buy-outs that can distort investment incentives and entrench unsustainable expectations. A key objective of this work is to better manage expectations, manage down fiscal exposure, and improve investment decisions. The overarching objective is to minimise overall societal cost. <p>9(2)(f)(iv)</p> <p>Decisions required:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Discuss the scope and ambition of the proposed approach to establishing a National Adaptation Framework. Feedback is sought regarding any areas of concern or where further advice is needed. <p>Supporting papers: 9(2)(f)(iv)</p> | <p>9(2)(f)(iv)</p> <p>- Discuss and agree to long-term strategic direction and objectives for adaptation to 9(2)(f)(iv)</p> <p>9(2)(f)(iv)</p> |
| Other business / noting items | | | |
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| 3 | 5 mins | Oral item: Emergency Management Bill and Emergency Management System Improvement Programme Lead: Dave Gawn, Chief Executive, National Emergency Management Agency | |
| | | The purpose of this item is to socialise the key components of the discussion document on the Emergency Management Bill, and the investment and implementation Roadmap for the Emergency Management System Improvement Programme, ahead of formal ministerial consultation. | |
| 4 | 5 mins | Noting item: Quarterly IEB update on Government Target 9 Lead: Hon Simon Watts | |
| | | <p>The Climate Change Chief Executive Board's quarterly update report on Government Target 9, for the quarter ending 31 December 2024, is provided for Ministers' information.</p> <p>Supporting paper: 4.1 <i>Target 9 Quarterly Report, quarter ending 31 December 2024</i></p> | |
| Meeting close | | | |

CPMG Indicative Forward Agenda 2025

| Quarter | Potential discussion topic |
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| Q2 May 2025 | <p>9(2)(f)(iv)</p> <p>AOB/other possible items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Quarterly IEB update on delivery of climate priorities/Target 9 |
| Fin Q3 August 2025 | <p>Priority Focus: ERP2 implementation update including assessment of sufficiency</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Delivering legislation and policies for ERP2 policies such as: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> biotech, carbon capture and storage refrigerant gases updating the co-investment approach for EV charging infrastructure <p>AOB/other possible items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Direction on strategic positioning of response to Climate Change Commission's emissions reduction monitoring report Update ETS settings for 2026-2030 Adaptation Framework progress report Quarterly IEB update on delivery of climate priorities/Target 9 |
| Q4 Nov 2025 | <p>Priority Focus: Confirming process for implementing and monitoring ERP2 and NAP</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ERP2 implementation progress update NAP implementation progress update <p>AOB/other possible items:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Adaptation Framework progress report Quarterly IEB update on delivery of climate priorities/Target 9 |

NOTE: Paper 4.1 is publicly available at: <https://environment.govt.nz/assets/ERP1-Q1-2025-Report-Final-Redacted.pdf>

