2025 consultation

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2025 consultation questions

1. What can you tell us about your experience of the impacts of climate change and how can the commission seek to reflect and respond to this in its work?	Extreme weather is making life more uncertain, sometimes I can't get to work because of floods and more and more often summer days are too hot to go meet friends or even go to the beach. I am afraid that the strain of the heat will be shortening my life span. I also love our diverse flora and fauna and I don't want to see them disappear because of climate change.
2. What actions can the commission take to engage across the community to help drive the shifts needed for the net zero transition and for effective climate change mitigation and adaptation?	Advocate to tax things that are high CO2/methane (meat, cars, plane travel) and reduce the cost of things that are low CO2/methane (legumes, cycleways, train travel).
3. How should the commission best engage with First Nations people to learn about cultural knowledge and practices to support adaptation, and what information and evidence should it draw on to inform its understanding of these practices?	
4. What additional mechanisms, support, or incentives can meaningfully empower and enhance First Nations people's involvement in climate mitigation, adaptation and environmental stewardship?	
5. What additional information and evidence should the commission consider when assessing progress towards NSW's targets for reducing net greenhouse gas emissions?	Look to UK Wales' transport plan to reduce GHG in transport sector: cancel big road projects, target 30% work from home, 30km/h speed limits in cities, etc.
6. The speed of deployment of electricity generation and	

infrastructure is a key risk to emissions reduction targets. What more could be done to fast-track deployment?	
7. Are the measures now in place sufficient to ensure community engagement and benefit sharing from the build out of infrastructure for the energy transition?	
8. Are First Nations communities adequately engaged and included in sharing the benefits of the transition? What more could be done, and by whom?	
9. What are likely to prove the most effective approaches to accelerate rapid decarbonisation across freight and passenger transport?	Road user charging: higher the highest emissions your vehicle. High tax on plane travel Ban imports of big American trucks Set up low emissions zones in cities Proceeds used to build mass transit (especially Australia HSR), increase bus services, incentivize rail freight and light EV freight, build light rails in most cities (including major regional ones), footpaths, cycleways and plant trees.
10. What specific actions or policies could increase uptake of emissions reduction strategies in agriculture, both in the short and long term?	Help cattle farmer transition towards more sustainable farm type (legumes, veggies, forestry, grains) and rewilding or career changes. Pay farmers to rewild their lands and stop using all the limited water to raise cattle. Set up an official organic farming label which gives right to high government subsidies and gives consumer the guarantee that no petro-chemical products have been used on their food.
11. Given the uncertainties in landsector net emissions, how should NSW incorporate this sector into the states climate policy and emissions profile?	
12. What specific actions could increase carbon storage and resilience of	Subsidise rewilding

the existing carbon stock in the land sector and meaningfully enhance the application of First Nations people's knowledge and practices?	
13. What policies or programs at a sectoral level could complement the Safeguard Mechanism to support the accelerated decarbonisation of heavy industry in NSW?	
14. What measures could accelerate industrial heat electrification in NSW, where technology is viable?	
15. What short to medium term measures could be prioritised to address the systemic challenges regarding waste generation and resource recovery?	Tax manufacturers based on the type and amount of packaging their products use. Phase out single use plastics in all packaging. Replace by returnable packaging. Subsidise bulk-food shops and help manufacturers transition to bulk selling in-shop.
16. How could transparency of how coal mines meet their Safeguard Mechanism obligations be improved?	Close down all coal mines, pay for miners to change careers and start working in renewables.
17. What measures would lead to coal mines prioritising on-site abatement over offsetting?	
18. What measures should be considered beyond the Safeguard Mechanism to reduce emissions of the resources sector, particularly methane emissions, to meet NSW's emissions reduction targets?	

19. What additional measures could accelerate electrification and increase energy efficiency of new and existing buildings?	Energy rating, making low rating dwellings banned from being sold/rented out. Heavily subsidise insulation and energy efficiency measures Organise imports of good insulations materials to European norms (R=6 and above) Ban gas in new buildings and subsidise electrification.
20. How could social equity be better addressed in the transition to an electrified built environment?	Start with social housing, it'll improve rent repayments anyways.
21. What approaches could NSW consider to eliminate refrigerants with a GWP >10 from buildings?	
22. What should be included in an emissions monitoring framework for NSW in the context of the transition to net zero, including any specific metrics and indicators?	
23. The adaptation objective is for NSW to be more resilient to a changing climate. The Act allows for regulations to further define the adaptation objective. What does a more resilient NSW look like to you?	Cooling centres open 24/7 during heat waves in each neighbourhood. Plan back up generation in case there is a blackout and a heat wave at the same time. Help people who live in flood and bushfire zones move to better places.
24. What additional information and evidence should the commission consider when assessing progress towards the adaptation objective?	
25. How can adaptation planning better use the NSW Government's climate change projections (NARCIIM)?	
26. What other information or tools are needed to support	

decision-makers in NSW?	
27. What initiatives should the commission consider in assessing NSW's preparation and responses to extreme heat and humidity events in NSW?	
Are there any other pieces of evidence or feedback you would like to add?	