

Session SBI60 (2024)

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A complication of questions to **New Zealand**
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Question by European Union at Thursday, 04 April 2024

Category: Assumptions, conditions and methodologies related to the attainment of its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

Type: Before 04 April

Title: 2. How satellite observation data are introduced in your GHG inventory?

Improvement of technologies and tools are already available to combat climate change, adaptation and support the inventory work. GHG monitoring from space are being promoted as means to provide second level independent verification or/and monitoring of CO₂ or CH₄ which can be compared to emissions/removals data reported to the UNFCCC.

Could you please elaborate on how satellite, ground and airborne measurements are being introduced and or planned in New Zealand's GHG inventory processes?

Answer by New Zealand
Not answered

Question by European Union at Thursday, 04 April 2024

Category: Progress towards the achievement of its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

Type: Before 04 April

Title: 1. Emission trading system

New Zealand's Emissions Trading System (NZ ETS) has integrated forestry as a mandatory actor, creating one-of-a-kind opportunities for additional afforestation and deforestation avoidance. Can New Zealand elaborate on the role of NZ ETS on progress towards the 2020 target and how New Zealand sees this system playing a more prominent contribution towards the 2030 target?

Answer by New Zealand
Not answered

Question by United States of America at Friday, 29 March 2024

Category: Assumptions, conditions and methodologies related to the attainment of its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

Type: Before 04 April

Title: Erosion control mitigation

New Zealand's NC8 notes the implementation of two mitigation actions related to erosion control initiatives (page 127), mostly involving small-scale afforestation of erosion-prone lands. Do the stated mitigation impacts (kt CO₂e) associated with these actions include estimates of enhanced soil carbon storage on affected lands (Table 4.3, page 148)?

Answer by New Zealand
Not answered

Question by United States of America at Friday, 29 March 2024

Category: Assumptions, conditions and methodologies related to the attainment of its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

Type: Before 04 April

Title: Agriculture GHG inventory

As an agriculture GHG inventory improvement, New Zealand describes the planned use of regional CH₄ top-down estimates from ground-based and satellite observations as a verification tool (New Zealand GHG Inventory 1990-2021 page 169). Per considerations provided in the 2019 Refinement to the 2006 IPCC Guidelines on such comparisons for verification, can New Zealand share any insights into plans to distinguish between agricultural CH₄ emissions and emissions of CH₄ from natural sources on the landscape such as wetlands?

Answer by New Zealand
Not answered

Question by United States of America at Friday, 29 March 2024

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Type: Before 04 April

Title: Afforestation/reforestation decline in emissions

What accounts for the decline in emissions removals from afforestation/reforestation despite an increase in forest area? Is that solely an artifact of harvesting cycles/rotation age? (P.32, Table 3.1, BR)

Answer by New Zealand
Not answered

Question by Japan at Friday, 29 March 2024

Category: Progress towards the achievement of its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

Type: Before 04 April

Title: Gas Transition Plan

NC8 states that the New Zealand government will develop a gas transition plan by the end of 2023 to set out a transition pathway for the fossil gas industry. Has the gas transition plan already been developed? And what exactly is included in the gas transition plan?

Answer by New Zealand
Not answered

Question by Japan at Friday, 29 March 2024

Category: Progress towards the achievement of its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

Type: Before 04 April

Title: Use of the projections results

According to the projection results provided on p167-168 of the NC8, the emission reduction target of 50% reduction of national gross emissions from the 2005 level by 2030 will not be reached under

both the "With Existing Measures" (WEM) scenario and the "With Additional Measures" (WAM) scenario. How are the results of the projections reported in the NC and the BR used in future policymaking?

Answer by New Zealand
Not answered

Question by Japan at Friday, 29 March 2024

Category: Progress towards the achievement of its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

Type: Before 04 April

Title: Lessons learned workshop

According to Figure B.2 on p. 410 of NC8, New Zealand conducts lessons-learned workshops in parallel with its Intrinsic sectoral planning. Who is involved in these lessons-learned workshops, and how are they organized? In addition, according to p. 411 of NC8, lessons learned are considered in developing the plan. Could New Zealand give us any examples of lessons learned that have been reflected in recent planning efforts ?

Answer by New Zealand
Not answered

Question by Japan at Friday, 29 March 2024

Category: Progress towards the achievement of its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

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Title: HWP in the introduction of new accounting approach for forestry sector of NZ-ETS

It is explained that amendments to the NZ-ETS, including the forestry accounting approach, were enacted in 2020. It seems that this amendment for the forestry sector is positively accepted by users. During this consideration phase, was there any consideration about carbon in HWP that has not

been emitted to the atmosphere yet? In addition, are there any issues that wood product owners (building owners) want to claim its contribution of stored carbon in wood products in the ETS instead of owned by forest land owners?

Answer by New Zealand
Not answered

Question by United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland at Thursday, 28 March 2024

Category: All emissions and removals related to its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

Type: Before 04 April

Title: Question to New Zealand on their EECA

Thank you, New Zealand for the opportunity to comment on your 5th Biennial Report and 8th National Communication. In your report you mention that the energy efficiency and conservation authority (EECA) work with the state to provide advice and support when investing in low-emission energy. Can you share lessons learned on the work the EECA have delivered and how their expertise has impacted the implementation of your projects?

Answer by New Zealand
Not answered

Question by Australia at Thursday, 28 March 2024

Category: Progress towards the achievement of its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

Type: Before 04 April

Title: Q2

How do the *Māori and Public Housing Renewable Energy Fund* and the *Community Energy Fund* work to support renewable and affordable energy for communities (pg. 99) ?

Answer by New Zealand
Not answered

Question by Australia at Thursday, 28 March 2024

Category: Progress towards the achievement of its quantified economy-wide emission reduction target

Type: Before 04 April

Title: Q1

Australia understands that the Road User Charges exemption for electric vehicles is planned to phase out across this year and next year (pg. 45). **How does New Zealand expect this to affect the uptake of new electric vehicles?**

Answer by New Zealand
Not answered

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