

Climate Consultations and Related Events 2026 (as at February 2026) ¹

When	Who	Issue – Links - Notes	Previous / related submission?	Submission / Lead	Promote submission numbers?
4.30 pm 13-02-2026	Parliament	Natural Environment Bill, Planning Bill (RMA replacement) Probably a raft of subsequent consultations e.g. national direction		Yes. Subs Group	
15-02-2026	Parliament	Emergency Management Bill Adaptation Group?		Jenny and I decided No	
20-02-2026	Parliament	Simplifying Local Government: https://www.dia.govt.nz/simplifying-local-government . Nelson Tasman are unitary authorities		No	
March 2026	LCANZI	Taking the Government to the High Court , challenging whether the emissions reduction plan actually complies with the law		Nil	
Q1 2026	Parliament	Enabling Liquefied Natural Gas Bill		Yes. Subs Group	Yes
Q1 2026	Parliament	Conservation Acts (Land Management) Amendment Bill What's happening with Crown Land afforestation?	N&C Group (2025-02)	N&C & Subs Groups?	
Q1 2026	CCC	Advice on NZ ETS Unit Limits and Price Control Settings		Nil	
Q2 2026	CCC	National Climate Change Risk Assessment (NCCRA) To Minister of Climate Change April 2026, who then releases it Could create a major shakeup of climate change perceptions if release of the Australian risk assessment is an indication		Nil	
Q2? 2026	Parliament	Rates capping (Local Government Amendment Act?)		Yes. Subs Group	

¹ Consultations will be monitored for climate issues arising, as follows: [Parliamentary Bills](#); [Government Departments](#); [Tasman District Council](#); [Nelson City Council](#).

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		Targeted consultation with stakeholders runs to February 2026			
July? 2026	CCC	Monitoring report: Emissions reduction (2026)		Nil	
Aug? 2026	CCC	Progress Report on National Adaptation Plans (2026)		Nil	
2026	Parliament	Climate Change Response (Efficiency and Effectiveness) Amendment Bill 2026 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - simplified content requirements for emissions reduction plans - changes to timing and sequencing of reports and advice from the Climate Change Commission - consultation changes - updates to NZ ETS industrial allocation settings - market governance improvements for NZ ETS - introduction of biennial ETS settings decisions (replacing annual process) - enabling mechanisms for carbon removals - new requirements for adaptation plans in priority areas 		Yes. Subs & Adaptation Groups?	
2026	Parliament	Financial Markets Conduct Amendment Bill: climate-related disclosures regime	Subs Group (2025-02)	Yes. David	
2026	Parliament	Treaty of Waitangi Act 1975 NZ First and National coalition agreement: amend Waitangi Tribunal legislation to refocus the scope, purpose and nature of its inquiries back to the original intent of that legislation	Subs Group (TPB, 2025-01)	Yes. Subs Group	
2026	Parliament	Waste Minimisation Act 2008 (WMA) and Litter Act 1979 amendments	Subs Group (2025-08)	Yes. Karen	
2026-11-07	Aotearoa	General Election – reverse consultation!			

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2026	Coalition Government	Nationally Determined Contribution (NDC1) Simon Watts : ‘the government has ruled out buying offshore credits for this election term, and we have no current plans on purchasing credits. Our efforts to continue reducing emissions domestically as a priority continue, but we are also exploring all options while recognising the challenges.’ How can we impact this move to defaulting on NDC1?		????	
30-03-2026	TDC	Golden Bay/Mohua Ward reserve management projects		N&C Group?	
May 2026	TDC	TDC Annual Plan Dependent on whether there are significant changes from the LTP; Adaptation Group seeks funding for neighbourhood support groups	Joanna SB (2025-05)	Yes? Subs Group	Yes
Current; mid-2026	NCC	NCC East West cycleway Consultation with school communities underway now; formal consultation in mid-2026; Nelsus currently involved		Yes – mid 2026	
Nil	NCC	NCC Annual Plan: No consultation in 2026		Nil	