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Iwi Chairs  
National Iwi Chairs Forum

## **Review of the New Zealand Emissions Trading Scheme**

Kei aku nui, kei aku rahi, tēnā koutou katoa,

This is a short pānui to let NICF members know that Pou Tahua, Pou Taiao and Pou Take Āhuarangi are actively engaging with the Crown in relation to the recently announced review of the Emissions Trading Scheme (ETS), as well as other related workstreams.

[Review underway of role of NZ ETS in climate response | Ministry for the Environment](#)

As agreed at the NICF in Waitangi, Chairs of the three Pou are taking an integrated approach to engagement on these kaupapa.

We are aware that there have been a number of public statements made recently regarding the poor process the Crown has followed to engage with Māori on this kaupapa. We share similar views about the lack of Te Tiriti compliant engagement that has occurred.

We have raised our concerns directly with the Crown in line with the NICF/Crown Statement of Engagement and are now working with the Crown to ensure that our concerns regarding Te Tiriti compliance are addressed. An agreement to work together to improve the Te Tiriti compliance of Crown workstreams on these kaupapa is currently being formalised in an MOU between Pou Chairs, relevant ministers and departmental executives. We are also having active discussions with other Māori entities to enable collaboration at the technical level where possible.

We will continue to engage on this kaupapa and will provide updates to NICF members as needed and at National Iwi Chairs fora.

E rere kau ana ngā mihi ki a koutou,

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