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STOS Named by Opponents to District Plan 05 October

The issue-motivated group (IMG) [Climate Justice Taranaki](#) has sent out an appeal to its supporters to oppose the proposed South Taranaki District Plan, using Shell Todd Oil Services as an example of oil and gas operations people in Taranaki should be opposing.

A leading member of the group has described the proposed plan as containing "rules that are far too permissive to the oil/gas industry". She claimed the plan could become the blueprint for other districts in Taranaki and across New Zealand, adding that it poses unacceptable risks to people and the environment. "We need strict rules and careful planning to protect people and the environment from this destructive industry," she added.

[Climate Justice Taranaki](#) has provided its supporters with a template submission

covering the key points it says they should provide feedback to the Council on before the consultation period closes on 12 October.

This guideline is as follows, and makes specific reference to Shell Todd Oil Services' Maui Production Station at Oaonui as an example of the concerns South Taranaki residents should have about the location of oil and gas installations in their region:

1. Scope of Submission

My submission concerns all aspects of petroleum activities and hazardous substances in the proposed plan, and especially the Rural Zone Rules 3. 2.2 on minimum setbacks; Hazardous Substances Rules 12.2.4 and 12.3.2-12.3.4; and Energy Rules 13.1.1.

2. Submission

I oppose the specific provisions identified above because:

a) Provision 3.2.2 permits petroleum exploration and production activities only 150m from homes, schools, hospitals and other sensitive activities, and hazardous facilities only 200m from such sensitive activities. This provision also permits sensitive activities just 300m from a Rural Industrial Zone (e.g. STOS Maui Oaonui Production Station).

b) To protect local communities, this provision should be amended with much increased setback distances determined by science and thorough analysis. Notably, EPA West Australia stipulates a separation distance of 2000m between oil/gas activities and sensitive land uses.

c) In the Rural Zone, petroleum activities and hazardous facilities should be Prohibited within the setback distances and Discretionary beyond the setback.

d) The Hazardous Substances Rule provision 12.2.4 permits the increase in use, storage and handling of hazardous substances by 20% in the Rural Industrial Zone. This is not acceptable. All increase or expansion of hazardous facilities within the Rural Industrial Zone should be Discretionary.

e) Provision 12.3.4 on natural hazards should include restrictions on all developments within 100m of a geological fault line, including adequate setback distance for oil/gas drilling, fracking and deepwell injection.

f) Provisions 12.3.2-12.3.3 should be amended to include an adequate setback distance for all significant waterbodies, wetlands and natural areas, whether or not they are prone to natural hazards.

g) Energy Rules provision 13.1.1 classifies petroleum prospecting as Permitted in the Rural Zone without any setback distance, following PEPANZ's feedback, as was the exclusion of oil and gas activities from the definition of Major Hazardous Facilities. This is suggestive of regulatory capture.

3. I seek the following decision from the South Taranaki District Council:

Accept the Proposed Plan with the following amendments:

a) Address all the issues raised above in the previously listed provisions.

b) Introduce provisions to address cumulative effects. E.g. Provisions are needed to take into account the different risk levels from installations of different sizes, intensity of activities, and proximity to other hazardous facilities.

c) Introduce specific provisions on landfarming, mix-bury-cover and other petroleum waste facilities.

d) Reinstate and expand on the Natural Hazards provisions (section 12) of the 2004 district plan in the proposed plan, to take into account the full implications of climate change, sea level rise, storm surges and other hazards, for the protection of people, sensitive activities and essential utilities, and to facilitate

adaptation.

4. I wish to be heard in support of my submission (you can request hearing by tele- conference). State also whether you will consider presenting a joint case at a hearing, if others make a similar submission.

5. Declare if you could or could not gain an advantage in trade competition. If you could gain an advantage, state whether you are or are not directly affected by an effect of the subject matter of this submission that (a) adversely affects the environment; and (b) does not relate to trade competition or the effects of trade competition.

Support from Another Group

Another Taranaki issue-motivated group, [REDACTED] is supporting Climate Justice Taranaki's position of the proposed South Taranaki District Plan and is also circulating the template to its members and supporters. Although smaller than **Climate Justice Taranaki**, [REDACTED]

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Local Activists Focus on EPA Amendment Bill

09 September

The Taranaki issue-motivated group [Climate Justice Taranaki](#) (CJT) made a last minute appeal to its supporters to make submissions on the Environmental Protection Authority (Protection of Environment) Amendment Bill before submissions close tomorrow (10 September).

In a message to its supporters today, CJT said, "Under (sic) EPA is expected to undertake its functions in a way that contributes to the efficient, effective, and transparent management of New Zealand's environment and natural and physical resources. But surely the Environmental Protection Authority must have a mandate to protect the environment! Please submit to the Select Committee in support of the EPA (Protection of Environment) Amendment Bill which gives EPA the objective to protect, maintain and enhance NZ's environment".

CJT has made its own submission on the Bill in which it states, that it supports

moves to "add an additional objective that the organisation must aim to protect, maintain, and enhance New Zealand's environment". The group's submission then went on to remind people that, "CJT was actively involved in the submission and hearing processes relating to the OMV Maari and STOS Maui marine consent applications under the EEZ Act."

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Activists Take Umbrage over Methanol Plant 06 September

Climate Justice Taranaki took umbrage to an article published by the Nelson Mail praising Methanex's operations in Taranaki. In a response entitled "Methanol production from fracked gas" a spokeswoman for CJT said:

"The editorial on Methanex (August 29) tried to convince us that the petrochemical industry is good for the environment and we can't live without it. Really? Much of the natural gas Methanex now uses to produce methanol is obtained by fracking - a process whereby a slurry of toxic chemicals is pumped at extreme pressures into the ground to access previously unavailable gas pockets. Fracking is known to contaminate water, poison the air and trigger earthquakes. Taranaki residents living near wellsites suffer from smoky flares, noise, dangerous traffic and loss of property values. The social and environmental impacts of fracking are so great that many countries and jurisdictions, e.g. New York State and Tasmania, have banned it.

"The two Methanex plants in Taranaki discharge wastewater into rivers and the sea, emit pollutants into the air and take water from the Waitara River. The Motunui plant has had a serious problem with the Legionella bacterium. Methanol produced this way cannot possibly be described as a 'clean' fuel.

"In 2013, a third of New Zealand's domestic gas consumption was gobbled up by the Canadian owned Methanex to make methanol for export. There is nothing sustainable about this, environmentally or economically."

Photo below: Methanex's main Taranaki plant.



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Taranaki Group Promotes Fracking Ban

16 September

The issue-motivated group (IMG) **Climate Justice Taranaki** (CJT) reported to today that ECO (the Environment and Conservation Organisations of NZ) is the latest to sign the Community Joint Statement calling for a ban on hydraulic fracturing (fracking) in New Zealand. The joint statement was drafted and released in March this year by a coalition of IMGs and is kept updated by CJT with assistance from an neighbouring IMG, Frack Free Kapiti. ECO apparently agreed to become a signatory to the statement at its AGM in late August. ECO is a Wellington-based non-profit network of 50 plus organisations involved in conservation and the environment. Its membership includes large international groups such as Greenpeace and Friends of the Earth, national groups including National Council of Women, as well as small local groups such as Kapiti Environmental Action, and Save the Otago Peninsula, and issue-oriented groups

like the Yellow-eyed Penguin Trust. It has about 500 "Friends of ECO," individual subscribers who receive its publications and updates.

The full text of the Joint Statement reads:

Community Joint Statement - a Call to Ban Fracking in New Zealand

An alliance of environmental, public health and social justice organisations has united to express grave concerns about hydraulic fracturing (fracking) and demand its ban nationwide. Fracking is inherently risky.

When considering the entire process from drilling to production, transport, waste disposal and well abandonment, the risks are serious, far-reaching and often irreversible.

There are ample cases overseas of water and soil contamination, air pollution and health impacts associated with fracking. France, Bulgaria, Germany, Spain and many US states have all banned fracking, most recently New York State in December 2014. New Zealand's current regulatory, monitoring and reporting regime is grossly inadequate.

The Parliamentary Commissioner for the Environment described New Zealand's monitoring as "clearly out of step with international 'best practice'" and most councils as "unprepared for expansion of the oil and gas industry" (PCE, June 2014).

The practice of spreading drilling wastes, fracked or not, on farmlands for food production is simply unacceptable. Climate science tells us that most of the fossil fuels already discovered must stay in the ground if we are to have a chance of stabilising climate at a level we can live with.

Why, then, would we use damaging technologies like fracking to extract every last drop? Why would we allow deep sea oil drilling to look for more, when we can't burn even what we have? Our Concerns We have grave concerns about the use of fracking in the oil, gas and coal seam gas industries in NZ:

- Fracking can poison our water, pollutes our air and oceans, contaminates our soil and threaten our health.*
- Fracking can harm our farming, tourism and other industries that are reliant on our clean, green environment and healthy communities.*
- Fracking delays the transition to renewable energies and exacerbates climate change.*

Our Demand Based on the precautionary principle, members of the alliance demand a total ban on all fracking operations in New Zealand. Call to Lock the Gate We call on communities and landowners to Lock the Gate - declare their areas 'frack free' or 'mining free' and deny access to oil and gas companies. Call for Real Solutions We urge the NZ Government, communities and businesses to transition away from fossil fuels onto low-carbon energy systems, economy and way of life, notably through affordable, public and active transport, sustainable petrochemical-free agriculture, energy-efficient housing and reducing consumption.

Statement Jointly Signed on 01 February 2015 by the following organisations:

*350 Aotearoa, Appropriate Technology for Living Association, Catholic Worker Movement, Clean Earth League, **Climate Justice Taranaki**, Coal Action Murihiku, Coal Action Network Aotearoa, Don't Frack the Bay, Frack Free Kapiti and*

Beyond, Frack Free Manawatu/Whanganui, Greenpeace, Oil Free Otago, Oil Free Wellington, Ora Taiao: The New Zealand Climate and Health Council, Stop Statoil Auckland, Sustainable Whanganui Trust, Te Kopere Rongoa Kura, Whanganui Rongoa Collective.

Also signed by the following organisations after 1 February 2015:

Te Kahui (Rongoa National Body), 03 Feb 2015; Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society of New Zealand, 09 Feb 2015; Friends of the Earth NZ, 06 March 2015; ECO - Environment and Conservation Organisations Aotearoa New Zealand, 30 August 2015. See: <http://tinyurl.com/on9lstb>



Submissions Go Missing

15 September

Climate Justice Taranaki (CJT), which runs the Facebook page 'Stop the Drilling in Taranaki' (see photo below), has complained that its submission on the Environmental Protection Authority Amendment Bill being considered by Parliament has gone missing. CJT filed the submission electronically, and is not alone in this experience apparently.

Another affiliated group, ECO (see item above) has complained their electronically submitted submission has also gone missing, plus several members of CJT have said a similar thing has happened to individual submissions they filed electronically. According to CJT, the secretariat for the Parliamentary Select Committee considering the Bill has advised that they may submit another copy of the submissions but because the deadline has passed the committee is under no obligation to consider it.



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Taranaki Activists Support Court Action 22 September

The issue-motivated group [Climate Justice Taranaki \(CJT\)](#) is supporting Heritage New Zealand in the New Plymouth Environment Court this week as the two sides argue over a refusal to allow drilling of the Kowhai D well because it may disturb the final resting place of an important Te Atiawa ancestor.

The ancestor is said to be Taranaki's last paramount chief, Wiremu Kingi Te Rangitaake, whose grave the Otaraua hapu claim was previously kept secret.

In a statement, one of the co-founders of CJT, who is herself a member of the Otarau hapu, said Te Rangitaake stood against the selling of tribal land in Taranaki and it was his resistance that sparked off a war which ravaged across Taranaki for two decades, sparking the passive resistance movement in Parihaka where some members of the Otaraua hapu live today, including herself.

She went on in the statement to say, "Te Rangitaake led a very difficult life struggling to protect his people and their right to their homeland. Our group fully

support the hapu and archaeologists who are trying to protect this old chief's burial site and prevent Greymouth Petroleum from drilling in a community which does not want them."

During the first day of the hearing, a representative from Greymouth Petroleum told the court that "the community of Tikorangi is quite... anti-petrochem". This attitude had resulted in the company being confined to only one of several options for the proposed well site, she said. This site being the one where the hapu claim the chief is buried.

Crown Law is representing Heritage NZ in the hearing, and which is likely to run for at least two days. Greymouth is arguing the site does not meet the definition of an archaeological site under the Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Act because the chief's remains are said to have been moved to the site after 1900. Greymouth's expert witness, a Maori historian, has disputed whether the grave, whose precise location has not been revealed, was actually near the proposed well site and said there was little evidence the chief's body had been moved from Kaingaru after his death. The historian has also questioned why the hapu is refusing to reveal the exact location of the grave so Greymouth can work around it.

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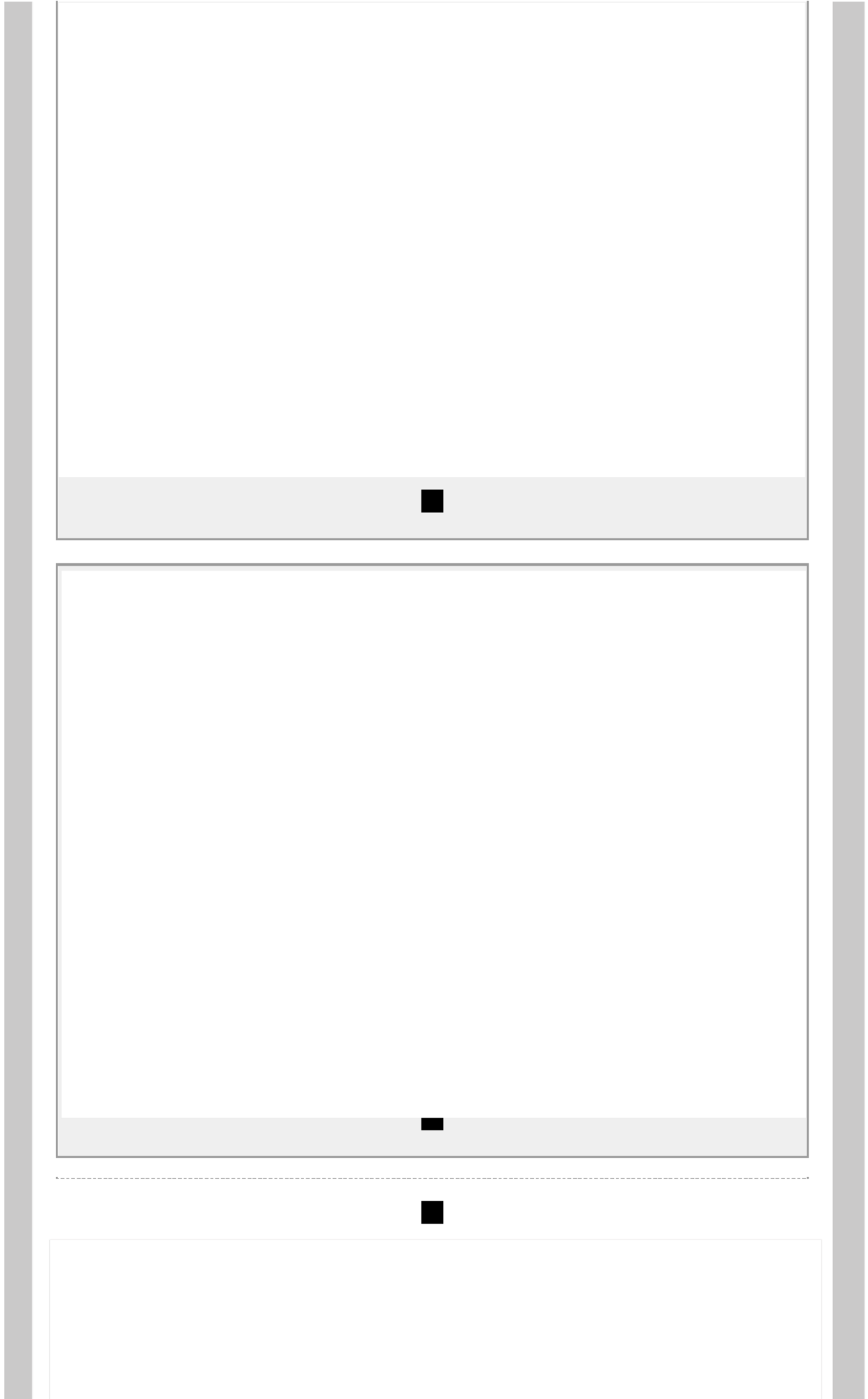
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Summary

Based on a belief that the survey ship 'Amazon Warrior' is due to arrive at the Port of Wellington on Sunday 13 November, the issue motivated group **Oil Free Wellington** has put out an urgent call today for members and supporters to help it block the vessel from entering the harbour. See this and other information detailed below.

Wellington Blockade Planned

13 November

08 November

Based on a belief that the survey ship 'Amazon Warrior' is due to arrive at the Port of Wellington on Sunday 13 November, the issue motivated group **Oil Free Wellington** (OFW) has put out an urgent call today for members and supporters to help it block the vessel from entering the harbour this Sunday.

A blockade of the harbour by kayaks and other small craft is planned to commence at 11:00hrs (with protesters assembling at Queen's Wharf at 10:00hrs). In addition to the blockade, OFW says it will be holding a protest rally onshore to coincide with the blockade.

Although this protest is being promoted as an event by **Oil Free Wellington**, in an indication that **Oil Free Wellington** is in fact acting as a proxy for Greenpeace NZ in order to create the impression of 'local resistance' to the vessel's presence, it is noted that Facebook events page was set up today by

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[REDACTED] Of the 645 activists she has invited to support this protest, so far 47 have indicated they will be attending, via the Facebook events page that she has set up today.

OFW is saying that it has hired "heaps of kayaks" from Ferg's Kayaks of Queens Wharf for the protest.



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[Redacted] is estimated to have a core of about dozen regular supporters and has links to other Taranaki IMGs, particularly **Climate Justice Taranaki**. Its Facebook page has attracted 250 likes.

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Activists Monitor the Hai Yang Shi You 718 03 February

A leading member of the anti-oil and gas issue motivated group **Climate Justice Taranaki (CJT)** on 03 February sought to highlight the survey operations in the New Caledonia Basin by the research vessel Hai Yang Shi You 718 by posting an image on several Facebook pages of the vessel and a map of the survey site.

The post was made on the CJT Facebook page; on the Stop Statoil in Te Hiku Facebook page ; and also on the activist's own personal Facebook page.

One of the activists 'liking' the post was the head of Greenpeace International's ship watching service based on Waiheke Island, in the Hauraki Gulf. This service operates under the name of Marint NZ and uses satellite tracking equipment to monitor vessels of interest to Greenpeace.

This is a world wide service and been regularly used by Greenpeace NZ to monitor

the movement of vessels of interest to it here, including survey vessels engaged in projects for the oil and gas industry.

The activist's complete post read:

"It's Seismic Survey Season Again. This seismic survey ship, Hai Yang Shi You 718, started surveying 200 kms off the West Coast of the North Island on 15 December 2015. The survey area (outlined in red on the map) covers 666,000 square kilometres of seabed and is being undertaken by Energy Offshore Holdings who have an oil and gas Prospecting Permit over the area. Energy Offshore Holdings is \$Hell NZ Ltd 37.5% (operator of the permit), CNOOC International Ltd 37.5% and Anadarko 25%. The survey is scheduled to finish on 30 April 2016".

The post has invoked a small number of abusive comments directed towards the oil and gas industry, but nothing that raises concern."



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Research Vessel Blamed for Whale Death 14 March

Taranaki activists opposed to the operations of the oil and gas industry have blamed the NIWA research vessel Tangaroa for the death of a young female killer whale (orca) which stranded at Patea Beach on Sunday.

Members of the issue motivated group **Climate Justice Taranaki** (CJT) have claimed that the presence of the Tangaroa in approximately the same vicinity, at the same time as the whale, was the reason for its stranding and subsequent death on Patea Beach on Monday morning.

The young female orca died despite the best efforts of locals and DoC workers to refloat her. The whale has now been buried at the beach.

A post on CJT's Facebook page showed an image of the whale being buried and

a screenshot of the Tangaroa's movements on AIS. The image bore the caption "Another victim of the NIWA death ship Tangaroa" (see image below).

One of CJT's senior members commenting on the page said, "According to reports samples were taken from the Orca but I understand DOC rarely check the ear canal for damage. How many 'coincidences' of seismic survey ships operating at the same time whales strand and die will it take to get these deaths investigated properly? This dead Orca was young and healthy."

Another Taranaki activist who is part of the group commented, "We have been asking for proper post mortem procedures that look for acute damage of seismic blasts for some years. The resistance to introduce these checks is telling in itself in some way. But loss of condition, which is reported in some other beached cetaceans could equally be associated with chronic effects of industrial activities, but unless someone wants to find out, any evidence will be buried with the dolphins and whales that die on New Zealand's beaches."

A third member of the group commented, "Not looking good for our finned relations and the daily struggles they face among the corporate research and plunder going on in their domain. At this moment the research vessel Tangaroa is just off the coast of Patea conducting seismic survey, meanwhile in Northland on Wednesday three others also died. #WaihoPapaMoana."

No reference has been made by the activists to the survey work currently being conducted by the Hai Yang Shi You 718 in the New Caledonia Basin.



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Boycott of Shell Sponsorship of WOMAD

16 March

Taranaki activists belonging to the issue motivated group **Climate Justice Taranaki** (CJT) have begun their annual call to boycott the WOMAD music festival because of sponsorship provided by oil companies shell and Todd.

Activists associated with CJT have said they will be holding a protest outside WOMAD each day the festival is on in New Plymouth. They say they plan to hand over flyers, postcards and stickers critical of Shell's environmental record.



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Taranaki Activists Back Local Woman

24 February

A South Taranaki woman who claims she was unaware her partner had given access for Shell Todd Oil Services (STOS) to seismic survey on their farm is being backed by Greenpeace NZ and local activists from the issue motivated group **Climate Justice Taranaki**, which has accused STOS of "breaking the law" by not getting her agreement as well as her partner's.

The woman has mounted a social media campaign which has caught the attention of the mainstream news media, given the 'domestic' angle to the story between the woman and her farmer partner (see photo below).

CJT has been busy this week beating up the story in the hope other land owners will join in the objection to their land being part of STOS' Kapuni 3D Survey.



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Issue Motivated Group Interest 28 March

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The main Taranaki issue motivated group, **Climate Justice Taranaki** has been focussed over the long weekend supporting the 'Chose Clean Water' petition and hikoi that has been traversing the country with support from most other IMGs with

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Climate Justice Taranaki (CJT) expended energy talking about Shell's sponsorship of the WOMAD music festival and seismic surveying. Although in relation to the latter, no particular survey was referred to.

In terms of WOMAD, CJT referred to overseas news reporting on complaints regarding pollution allegedly involving Shell in the Niger Delta and posted the comment, "Life expectancy in the Niger Delta: 45 years. Boycott WOMAD! Stop giving \$Hell a social license to operate!"

CJT also commented about a public speaking engagement in New Plymouth on 07 November by a scientist from the Environmental Defence Society (EDS) who will speak about safeguarding biodiversity; and new environmental film on 'capitalism

and climate change' the New Plymouth branch of the Green Party is screening on 25 November based on the writings of Canadian climate activist Naomi Klein.

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Another Taranaki IMG Opposes Plan 12 October

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[REDACTED] In doing so, the group (like [Climate Justice Taranaki](#)) has also singled out Shell Todd Oil Services' Maui Oaonui Production Station as an example of what it claims illustrates that separation distances allowable in the District Plan for petroleum exploration and production activities do not offer adequate protection for people's health and safety.

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Activists Photo and Comment on Rig 20 October

Following a week in which reference was made several times in the mainstream news media to both the work at Pohokura Platform B (PPB) and the role being played by the ENSCO-107, Taranaki activists themselves have now started to show an interest in the rig's presence at the Port of Taranaki.

This situation was partly triggered by the involvement of the issue motivated group **Climate Justice Taranaki** (CJT) in the arrival at the port this week of the Fijian voyaging vaka (waka) *Uto ni Yalo* on a voyage to New Zealand to deliver a

cargo of organic, fair-trade cocoa beans to promote environmentally sustainable export trade practices.

CJT was part of the local Taranaki welcoming group that held a reception for the vaka and its crew at Ngamotu Beach, and within sight of the ENSCO-107. The photograph below of the rig was taken by one of the co-founders of CJT and used to illustrate an article on the group's website calling for an escalation of support for campaigns pushing for a sustainable, low carbon future.

It is apparent that CJT has examined the work related to the PPB and the reason for the ENSCO-07's presence at the port. The CJT article accompanying the photograph below pointed out that:

"Apparently, no offshore drilling rig is due to enter NZ waters this summer and the Ensco-107 rig which finished drilling off the OMV Maari field will not be drilling this year, but used as a platform for maintenance work on the Shell Pohokura oil/gas field nearshore from New Plymouth".

Climate Justice Taranaki Article

The full text of the CJT article published on its website on 20 October, and which was entitled 'Oil and Gas retreating, step up our campaigns for a sustainable, low carbon future' read as follows (with reference to PPB and the ENSCO-107 highlighted by us for ease of reference only):

"In the last month we have seen oil giant Shell pulled out of the Arctic and postponed its 2015 drilling programme in NZ's Great South Basin indefinitely. Two weeks ago, Tag Oil announced cutting its 2016 spending by nearly 30% and delaying its work in NZ until next financial year or 'until we see better oil pricing' This is good news for the children and parents of Norfolk school where Tag Oil had planned to drill just 600m away, at least for now.

"Apparently, no offshore drilling rig is due to enter NZ waters this summer and the ENSCO-107 rig which finished drilling off the OMV Maari field will not be drilling this year, but used as a platform for maintenance work on the Shell Pohokura oil/gas field nearshore from New Plymouth.

"Although perhaps no deepsea drilling this summer, Norwegian owned StatOil is analyzing the data it has collected from seismic blasting off Northland to determine its next move. It appears adamant that it'll keep looking for oil off NZ - a gap in the companies' Asia Pacific program that it wishes to fill. Moreover, NIWA's research vessel Tangaroa, with its recent \$24 million upgrade, is also well equipped to gather oceanic data for the oil and gas industry.

"The encouraging news is that the Christchurch City Council is standing strong on its opposition to deepsea oil and communities elsewhere are objecting the government's 2016 Block Offer for oil and gas exploration. Why is it that the Obama Administration could call off new drilling plans in the Arctic while the NZ government just keeps charging ahead with its obsession in deepsea oil and onshore fracking, both being highly risky environmentally and economically?

"Last week, at the Asia-Pacific Economic Cooperation (APEC) meeting, Simon Bridges, Minister for Energy and Resources boasted about NZ's so-called "fossil-fuel subsidy reform" - but what about the Tangaroa upgrade and the \$10 million for GNS' oil/gas research this year alone? Interestingly the Minister also emphasized the need to "climate-proof" our energy infrastructure so that they'd cope with extreme weather events - a bit of foresight perhaps, but why would you invest in reinforcing what's causing the destructive climate impacts in the first place rather than supporting real solutions to climate change notably sustainable energy systems?

"In conclusion, the APEC ministers released a Ministerial Statement in support of the theme of energy resilience: strengthening oil and gas security, diversifying supply, improving energy efficiency, promoting low-carbon development, biofuels, and alternative energy sources including nuclear power, advanced coal technologies, LPG, solar, wind and marine energy. On wind, multinational manufacturer Procter and Gamble (PG) has just announced its plan to build a wind farm in US Texas which would power all its factories that make homecare products. PG is one of the 81 US firms which have committed to the American Business Act on Climate Pledge, to reduce greenhouse gas emissions.

"Although a few energy firms have signed the pledge, large oil and gas companies are notably absent. It is quite clear that energy security is high on the national and global agenda and there will continue to be immense corporate powers at play.

"It's time to step up our oil free, frack free, divestment (from fossil fuels), reinvestment (in clean responsible energy) and climate justice campaigns...Let's be strong and creative!

"Support the many regional petitions to block the offers for oil and gas exploration issued by the short-sighted NZ government.

"If you live in Taranaki, come to the Port of New Plymouth this week (20-21 Oct) to greet the traditional Polynesian vaka arriving with a tonne of organic fair-trade cocoa beans to demonstrate the positive alternatives. The vaka carries the message of urgent actions needed by leaders all over the world to act on real climate change solutions, as it tells the disheartening story of the relocation of entire villages from the Carteret Islands, being eroded away and submerged by sea level rise.

"Photo of the sailing waka Uto ni Yalo at Port Taranaki, with Ensco-107 rig in the background, 20 Oct 2015."



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Activists Comment on Kapuni 3D Survey

09 December

While no mention has been made of the maintenance work going on at the PPB recently, some local activists aligned with the issue motivated group **Climate Justice Taranaki** (CJT) have begun to comment on the Kapuni 3D Survey that is also occurring at the moment.

Two examples captured from CJT's Facebook page are reproduced here (below). Despite the negative comments, it appears CJT is just confining itself to rhetoric for the moment and has not specifically mentioned a protest.



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IMGs Refer to Shell's NZ Operations

Included among the numerous angry denunciations by several issue motivated groups in response to the Government's awards of the 2015 Block Offer (see image below) was this response from [Oil Free Wellington](#), and which said, "The announcement of new exploration permits on and off shore in Taranaki just a few days after the Paris climate agreement is another stark reminder that we can't rely on our government to solve the climate crisis. It is more important than ever for people to stand up and resist the exploration for oil by companies like Todd, Shell, OMV, Chevron, Statoil and Anadarko".

Oil Free Wellington's statement comes after its organising last weekend of a community protest flotilla on Wellington Harbour involving about 160 people and an onshore rally, which [Oil Free Wellington](#) claimed, "demonstrated to oil companies that they should expect resistance to their plans, and was a practice run for further action".

The group's statement went on to say that, "Oil Free Wellington's on-water

mobilisation acknowledged that it's up to us as communities to take real action on climate change. We have sent a strong message to the oil and other fossil fuel industries planning to expand their extraction that they can expect resistance." **Oil Free Wellington** has a history of supporting local protest in Taranaki by issue motivated groups there, such as **Climate Justice Taranaki** (CJT).

CJT itself denounced the 2015 Block Offer awards, saying, " Eight of the nine new permits granted are located in Taranaki or the offshore Taranaki Basin. The three onshore permits...were granted to Petrochem, a subsidiary of Greymouth Petroleum. Greymouth has previously breached its resource consents...The five offshore permits for OMV and Todd Energy, along with the many other existing oil and gas operations, threaten our coastal and offshore habitats with spills and pollution...It is critical that communities on all fronts unite to fight for climate justice now. This demands an urgent energy transformation, a just transition for workers and a revolutionary change of the current economic system to ensure justice for all, including future generations."



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Activists Note Rig's Mobilisation

06 November

A leading member of the issue motivated group [Climate Justice Taranaki \(CJT\)](#) picked up on mainstream news media coverage by www.stuff.co.nz of the departure of the ENSCO-107 from Port Taranaki.

In a Facebook post to the group, she inaccurately claimed that Shell was using the rig to 'frack' wells off the north Waitara coast when posting a link to a story published in the Taranaki Daily News on 06 November reporting the ENSCO-107 had been mobilised to the PPB (see image below).

While another member of CJT sought to put the record straight and explain that the rig was being used in a non-drilling capacity, another member of the group responded that she was "not buying \$Hell's story one iota". The discussion on the group's Facebook page did not last long however, with only a couple of other

people posting negative comments before discussion of this topic on the page ceased.

Another Taranaki IMG - Te Uru Pounamu also reposted the link to the Taranaki Daily News article but did not make any comment.



What Activists Have Been Talking About 11 November

Apart from the weekend's comments about the mobilisation of the ENSCO-107, Taranaki IMGs have moved onto other topics.

Climate Justice Taranaki has focussed this week on discussing mainly offshore issues such as the Keystone XL Pipeline and protests against 'fracking' in the United States.



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The screening is being held at the Event Cinema in Devon Street at 8pm on 25

November. It is being promoted and supported by a number of Taranaki issue motivated groups , including **Climate Justice Taranaki**.



Boycott WOMAD Group

15 November

A Facebook page calling for a boycott of the WOMAD New Zealand festival in March 2016 because of Shell's sponsorship has been running a series of posts highly critical of Shell's operations in Nigeria.

Climate Justice Taranaki Facebook group, has not made any recent references to operations in New Zealand, however. It has instead focused on allegations of pollution and the controversial deaths of activists in Nigeria who were opposed to Shell's operations in the Niger Delta.

The object appears to be an attempt to vilify Shell and provide reasons why the next WOMAD Festival should be boycotted. It is noted however that the page has only received about 100 likes.



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Activists Monitor Survey Ship

03 February

A leading member of the anti-oil and gas issue motivated group **Climate Justice Taranaki (CJT)** on 03 February sought to highlight the survey operations in the New Caledonia Basin by the research vessel Hai Yang Shi You 718 by posting an image on several Facebook pages of the vessel and a map of the survey site.

The post was made on the CJT Facebook page; on the Stop Statoil in Te Hiku Facebook page; and also on the activist's own personal Facebook page.

One of the activists 'liking' the post was the head of Greenpeace International's ship watching service based on Waiheke Island, in the Hauraki Gulf. This service operates under the name of Marint NZ and uses satellite tracking equipment to monitor vessels of interest to Greenpeace.

This is a world wide service and been regularly used by Greenpeace NZ to monitor the movement of vessels of interest to it here, including survey vessels engaged in projects for the oil and gas industry.

The activist's post read:

"It's Seismic Survey Season Again. This seismic survey ship, Hai Yang Shi You 718, started surveying 200 kms off the West Coast of the North Island on 15 December 2015. The survey area (outlined in red on the map) covers 666,000 square kilometres of seabed and is being undertaken by Energy Offshore Holdings who have an oil and gas Prospecting Permit over the area. Energy Offshore Holdings is \$Hell NZ Ltd 37.5% (operator of the permit), CNOOC International Ltd 37.5% and Anadarko 25%. The survey is scheduled to finish on 30 April 2016".

The post has invoked a small number of abusive comments directed towards the oil and gas industry, but nothing that raises concern."



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Whistleblower Story Dies Down

05 January

Meanwhile commentary has noticeably died down from issue motivated groups, particularly those in Taranaki, concerning allegations from a former employee of Origin Energy claiming the company had covered up gas leaks from its facilities in Taranaki.

There has been no noticeable escalation of reaction from issue motivated groups on this topic, with the last public comment on the subject from **Climate Justice Taranaki (CJT)**, for example, made three days ago. Over the past couple of days, CJT has moved onto talk instead about claims wastewater from fracking is being used to grow food and topics outside of Taranaki such as methane gas leaks in California.



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There have been two such social media posts already this week from a Facebook page called 'Boycott Womad' and which is run by a leading member of the issue motivated group **Climate Justice Taranaki**.

One post attacked WOMAD's founder (rock musician Peter Gabriel) and another took delight in Shell reporting a decrease in profit, speculating that might entail a loss of sponsorship for WOMAD (see images below).

Such talk previously has not come to much apart from some minor protest gestures at the event itself. Part of the problem in past failed attempts at

achieving a boycott of WOMAD appears to be the conflict activists have felt personally between being attracted to such an event while at the same time being opposed to the operations of the oil and gas industry.



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Oil Industry Blamed for Dolphin Extinction 13 February

Anti-oil and gas activists belonging to the issue motivated group **Climate Justice Taranaki (CJT)** have accused the Taranaki oil and gas industry of being responsible for the absence of Maui dolphin sightings off the Taranaki coastline. They are using historic photographs of the Maui A Platform and the Pohokura Gas Field as "evidence" of their claim.

The absence of Maui dolphin sightings is because (claims the group) the Taranaki oil and gas industry has had a "standard practice" of "dropping toxic waste fluids

into the ocean" for over 40 years.

In public post to its 1250 Facebook group members, CJT said, "Stop the Drilling! Dropping toxic waste fluids into the ocean has been the standard practice of offshore drillers in Taranaki for nearly 40 years, from 1978 onwards. Maui dolphins are almost extinct and no longer observed in that part of their habitat."

CJT further claimed that, "Apart from the Maui dolphin that was found washed up dead on the beach at Pungarehu in 2012, critically endangered Maui dolphins have not been sighted off the main Taranaki coast, where all the seismic surveying and drilling is taking place, for over five years".

The post included a (historic 1978) photograph of flaring from the Maui A Platform, and another photograph from 2008 of what CJT claimed was "the semi-submersible drilling rig Ocean Patriot drilling, flaring and spilling in the Pohokura gasfield."



Offshore Maintenance Misrepresented 13 February

Meanwhile, other offshore routine maintenance work by Shell Todd Oil Services has been misrepresented by the same group of activists as either STOS responding to an undersea leak or preparation by Shell to divest itself of its New Zealand assets.

In another social media post, CJT claimed that maintenance work being done at the Maui-1, 2, and 3 wells had a more sinister reason to it that what had been publicly declared.

In the post to its public Facebook group 'Stop the Drilling in Taranaki' on 13 February, CJT reposted an article from the Taranaki Daily News of 12 February reporting that STOS had contracted the Norwegian multipurpose offshore vessel *Rem Etive* to conduct maintenance using a a sub-sea Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV) to inspect wells in the Maui offshore field.

CJT has, however, spun the story to suggest the work is either being carried out because there is a leak from the wells or it is a preparatory measure prior to Shell divesting itself of its New Zealand assets (see photo below).



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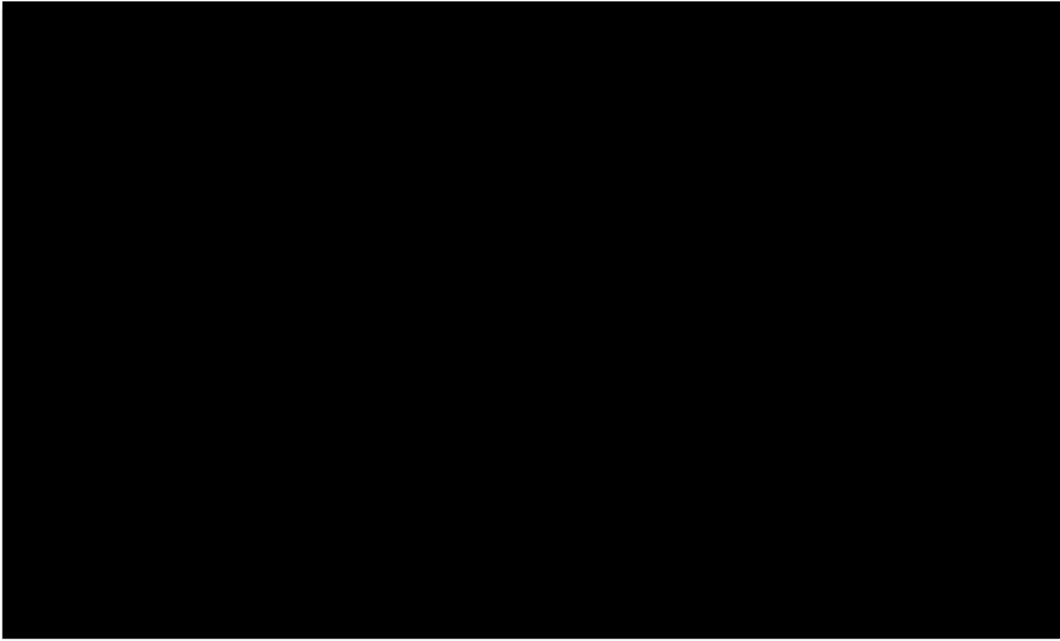
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activists firstly claimed that STOS was breaking the law in a case where a South Taranaki farmer's wife has publicly objected to her husband granting permission for STOS to conduct seismic testing on their farm as part of the Kapuni 3D Seismic Survey (see bottom left).

However, the group has gone ever further in a second post on the 'Boycott WOMAD Facebook page, suggesting that STOS' operations in Taranaki are somehow connected with a reported high cancer rate in the region (see bottom right).



Wgtn Activists Planning Harbour Actions 24 February

Meanwhile, **Oil Free Wellington (OFW)** which has conducted past protests against vessels in Wellington Harbour associated with the oil and gas industry, has called a meeting of its 'community response team' on 01 March.

The team has been formed by the group to train and conduct protests against the oil and gas industry, responding to such things as visits to the port of Wellington by vessels engaged in such things as exploring or drilling.

OFW claims the meeting "will be a chance for the Community Response Team to get to know us and each other; for us to let you know more about Oil Free Wellington's plans for the year; and to hear from you about what action you would like to see the community taking together."

OFW also said at the meeting they will be talking about the following points:

- What is happening with drilling/surveying this year, onshore and offshore?
- Oil Free Wellington's plans for the year.
- How the Community Response Team can be involved in these plans, what levels of involvement members feel comfortable with and what skills they would like to contribute.
- What other actions the Community Response Team would like to take and how Oil Free can support this. To date, 13 Wellington activists have indicated they will attend.



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Taranaki IMG Presents One-Sided Version 25 January

The issue-motivated group **Climate Justice Taranaki** (CJT) has highlighted what it sees as the plight of two Taranaki farmers whose land is close to Shell Todd Oil Services' (STOS) Kapuni Production Station and who are caught up in a debate over the formalisation of safety buffer zones around oil and gas installations.

CJT is supporting the farmers' stance that the South Taranaki District Council's proposed buffer zones between dwellings and oil and gas installations is nothing more than just a "council approved land grab".

CJT says, "For the council to now turn around and propose restrictions on neighbouring farmers within prescribed set back distance from petrochem facilities, without some sort of mandatory compensation from the industry, does seem like gross injustice".

CJT also says it believes substantial setback distances greater than the 150-300m the council is calling for is essential for the safety and wellbeing of people and

animals who reside and work in close proximity to oil and gas wellsites.

What CJT has neglected to acknowledge however is the oil and gas industry is supportive in principle of the idea of reasonably-sized buffer zones. The fact the two sides can agree that buffer zones are needed appears to be fact CJT has chosen not to acknowledge.

The two sides diverge differently in the size the buffer zones should be. The Petroleum Exploration and Production Association (PEPANZ) is suggesting the zones be standardised at 200-300m. Taranaki activists however in their submissions have suggested the distances be in fact 2-3km and landowners compensated by the oil and gas industry for the loss of the use of the land taken up by the zones.



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Un-Welcome the NZ Petroleum Club 23 November

Overnight, the Issue Motivated Group **Climate Justice Taranaki (CJT)** has announced a protest at tomorrow's Petroleum Club meeting at The New Plymouth Club.

Details of the protest are provided as follows:

"The New Zealand Petroleum Club (NZPC) is a forum for upstream oil and gas operators with operations in NZ... to discuss upcoming activity and share information for mutual benefit and the advancement of the industry. Bring banners and placards and your best chants to unwelcome them at the door as they arrive. These companies profit by dumping the costs of their dirty business on our planet and our future. Join us in telling them they are fossil fools if they think we're going to let them keep doing this! We want system change not climate change!"

The protest is scheduled between 1-2pm and has so far attracted 12 attendees with a further 18 interested in the event.

Organisers Freeman Media are being appraised of the situation and industry attendees at this meeting are advised to be extra vigilant and aware of possible approaches by protesters.

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Protest RHIB Observed in New Plymouth 24 November

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[REDACTED] his RHIB was one of several used in a protest on Wellington Harbour on Sunday 13 November 2016 in support of the issue motivated group **Oil Free Wellington** which was protesting at the operations of the seismic survey vessel 'Amazon Warrior'.

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Greenpeace Visit to New Plymouth 25 November



On Wednesday, the local issue motivated group **Climate Justice Taranaki** protested outside a meeting of the New Zealand Petroleum Club (see further image below).



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Claim GNS Drilling Has Sinister Motive 21 May

The issue motivated group [Climate Justice Taranaki](#) has claimed this week there are 'sinister motives' for Crown Research Institute GNS Science conducting offshore research drilling operations here later this year.

The group claims the year-long drilling programme using the US-based scientific

research ship 'Joides Resolution' (see photo below), and which is designed to investigate five areas of sea floor concerns of global significance, is in fact part of GNS' desire to establish a methane hydrate extraction programme here.

The GNS drilling programme will include two projects 30km and 50km off the Gisborne coast; one of which will involve testing to establish if slow deformation of a large seafloor landslide off the Gisborne coast, is linked to the occurrence of gas hydrates. This appears to be the basis for the activists' belief.

However, according to CJT in a post on one of its Facebook pages over the weekend, "GNS is pushing for methane hydrate extraction and has been for years."

The post says, "There is supposed to be a ship coming later this year to test drill 25km off the coast of Gisborne, into the slow-slip seismic fault along the Hikurangi Trough where there are deposits of methane hydrates. Drilling into a major seismic fault along a subduction zone of the Pacific Plate; what could go wrong indeed!"

This commentary was reinforced by another post by the group attacking GNS drilling on the alpine fault on the West Coast in the Westland Deep Fault Drilling Proj. This project has involved drilling nearly 900 metres down into the alpine fault at Whataroa, looking at how the fault looks and sounds before an earthquake.

Quite what the connection here has to do with oil and gas extraction is not made clear by CJT, which nevertheless posted a news media article about the Whataroa drilling project with the comment, "On land and offshore all the same to me...they gotta go!"



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Protest Against Support Ship 21 February

Members of the Greenpeace-aligned issue motivated group **Oil Free Wellington** conducted another protest against the presence in the Capital of the support vessel

Maria G which working with the seismic survey vessel Amazon Warrior off the east coast of the North Island.



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Although the Taranaki basin is the only oil-producing area in New Zealand this will be the first year the conference has been held in New Plymouth and as a result several local climate groups have joined the cause. ■

Climate Justice Taranaki and [REDACTED] say they will be lending their support to Greenpeace as well as Oil Free Wellington, [REDACTED]

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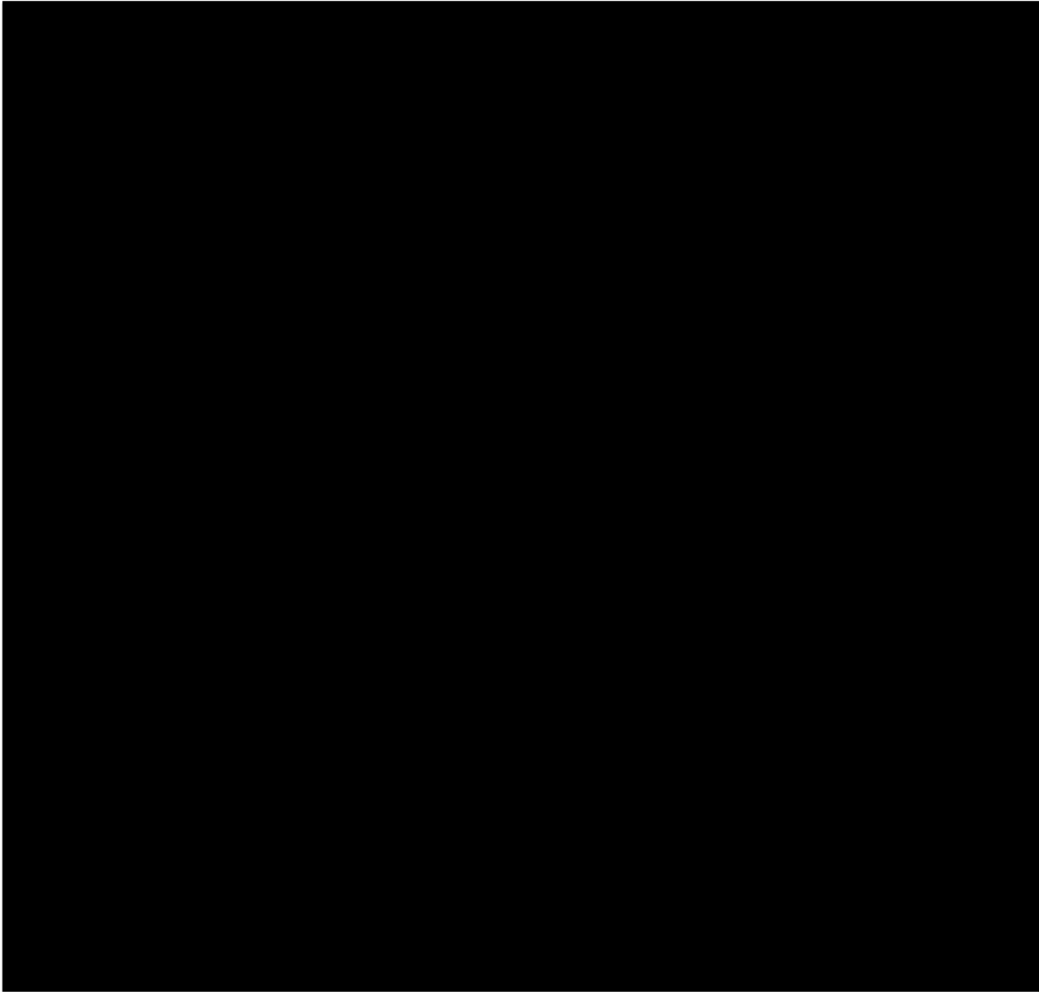
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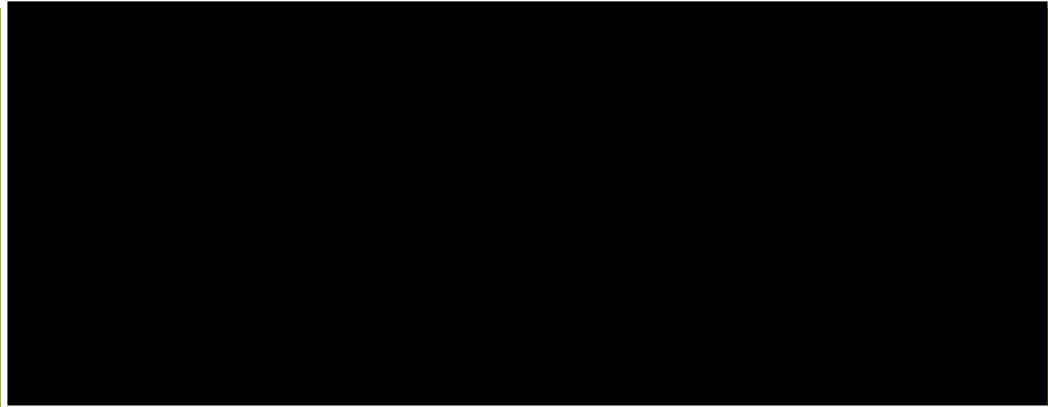
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As the day progresses, [redacted] and Oil Free Wellington, will be monitoring the Amazon Warrior and its support vessels as they search for oil.





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This detachment was made up of a combination [REDACTED] from two other issue motivated groups - Oil Free Wellington and [REDACTED]

It is known from studies of images Greenpeace itself has made public that the larger of the two RHIBs was co-captained by a member of Oil Free Wellington who has extensive marine experience, including that as a crew member on [REDACTED]

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Wellington Protest Against Exploration 15 December

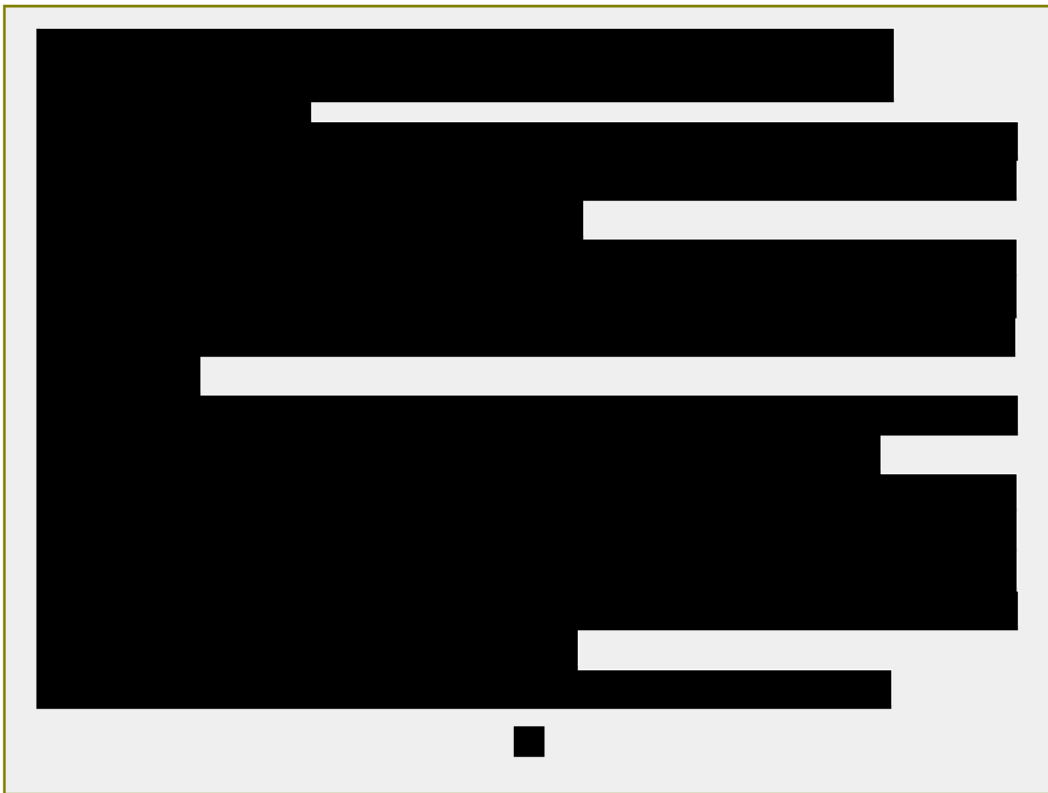
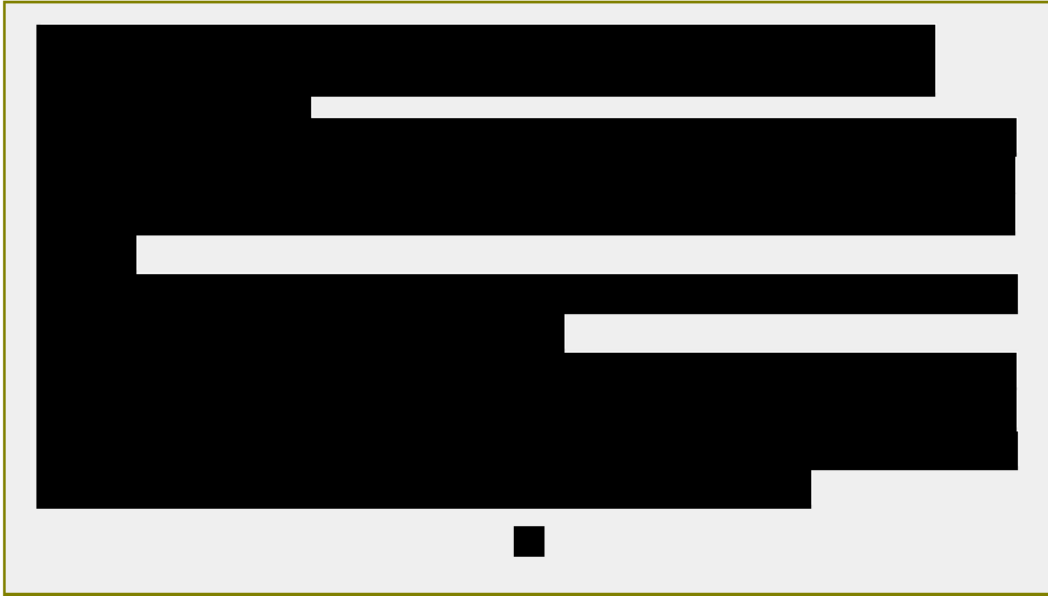
The issue motivated group **Oil Free Wellington** held a protest in Wellington's Midland Park, near Statoil's offices, to demand a cessation of mining, exploration for oil and gas, and fracking. The group called the protest, 'Climate Justice Now!'

Oil Free Wellington says the granting of offshore exploration permits are, "Allowing companies like Chevron and Statoil to engage in seismic surveying off our coast right now. We know it's time to leave oil, gas and coal in the ground if we want to avoid catastrophic climate change and protect our environment."

The group claims that, "Communities all over the world are standing up to fossil fuel projects. They know the root causes of the social and environmental rises we face lie in an unjust economic and social system. They are part of the genuine change that is needed."

The protest was supported by another issue motivated group, [REDACTED]

Supporters were invited to sign a banner sending a message to oil companies Statoil and Chevron saying their presence was not welcome here (see photo below).



Opposition to Todd Seismic Survey 14 December

The issue motivated group [Climate Justice Taranaki](#) (CJT) has posted this diagram (see below) purporting to show the damage a 1kg explosion of TNT can cause to

illustrate its opposition to Todd Energy conducting seismic surveying operations in its inland Mangahewa and McKee fields.

Posted on the group's Facebook page, CJT said, "This shows the damage done by just 1 kg of TNT. Todd Energy will explode approx. 5,000 1kg or 2 kg shots under Tikorangi in their upcoming 'seismic survey'. No wonder some landholders are saying NO THANKS.

"The 5,000 shots will be spread over 85 sq kms at varying depths, mostly between 10 and 30 meters. Each shot will reach 2726°C as it explodes! TNT has not been used for industrial purposes in the United States since the 1990s due to the toxic by-products of TNT explosions.

"TRC Officers agree with Todd Energy that the environmental effects to land and water are expected to be minor. Common sense says different! (TRC Officers Report 1759708 3 Nov 2016 re consents: 10352-1.0 and 10353-1.)"



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Protest Waka About to Sail? 30 March

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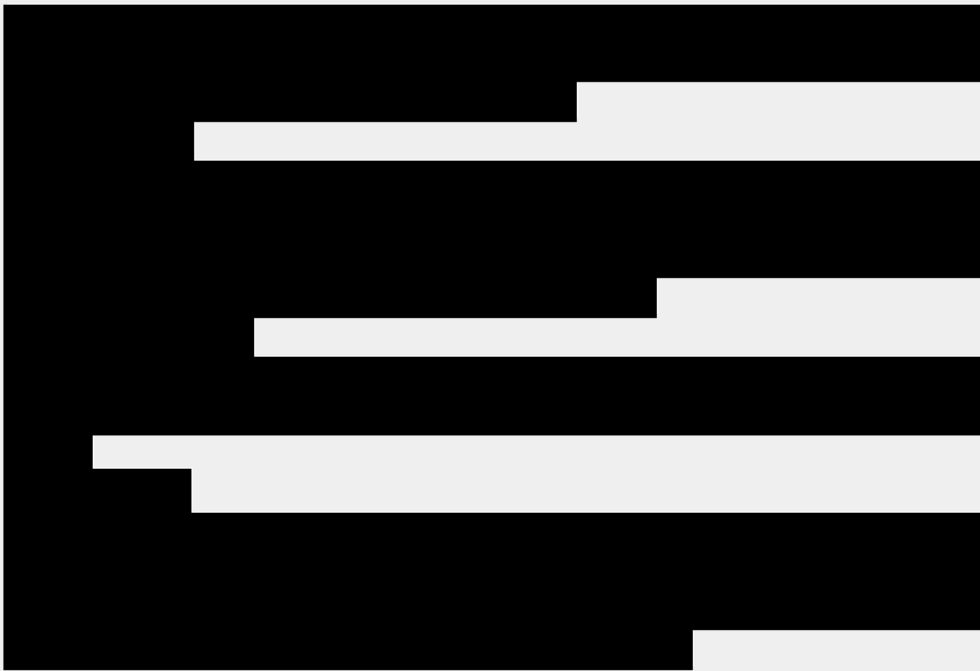
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Protest Against Support Ship 27 January

The issue motivated group **Oil Free Wellington** attempted an unsuccessful protest against the support vessel Maria G when it was tied up at Centreport, Wellington on 27 January.

The photograph below shows the protesters never able to get close enough to the vessel to have any impact.

However, commenting on Facebook about the protest, **Oil Free Wellington** said, "The Amazon Warrior support vessel, Maria G, docked in Wellington yesterday; heading back out to open waters today at approximately 1:45 pm. The Amazon Warrior, the world's largest seismic blasting ship, is exploring for oil in Aotearoa's waters. It requires several support vessels, including the Maria G.

"We are monitoring Statoil and Chevron's activities in these waters, (and tautoko Te Ikaroa - Defending our Waters and Greenpeace New Zealand's efforts to do the same). We will continue to let them know that we demand they leave these waters.

"Over this summer, many of you have helped make it clear to Amazon Warrior, and its employers Statoil and Chevron, that we demand they leave for good. Many of you joined our Unwelcoming Flotilla and Rally in November, or marked the

anniversary of Paris Climate talks in December outside Statoil's office in Midland Park, demanding Climate Justice Now. And we're not stopping there.

"We will continue our watch, and we will deliver our message to oil companies again and again-- leave oil, gas, and coal in ground. Leave these waters. Leave Taranaki - fracking and petroleum conferences are not welcome. We want a stable climate and a just future.

"Get in touch if you would like to be involved in future events - including coming up to New Plymouth for the The People's Climate Rally in March."



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Commentary on OMV's Nikau 3D Survey 03 December

The Taranaki issue motivated group [Climate Justice Taranaki](#) has commented this weekend on the operations of the seismic survey vessel 'PGS Apollo' operating in the North Taranaki Bight.

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submitted the two images below with the following commentary (note the use of the emotive term "seismic blasting ship" and allegation the vessel has been "terrorizing" marine mammals):

"The seismic blasting ship PGS Apollo has arrived in the North Taranaki Bight to undertake a seismic survey on behalf of Austrian oil giant OMV. The ship will be firing seismic blasts into the seabed every 8 seconds, 24 hours a day, every day for the next month, over the OMV 'Nikau' Permit (57075) covering 1365.124 sqkm of our coast.

"The OMV permit borders the Marine Mammal Sanctuary set up by the government to protect critically endangered Maui Dolphins, whales and other marine life along the Taranaki coast.

"The PGS Apollo is operated by PGS Australia, a subsidiary of Norwegian company Petroleum Geo-Services (PGS), who have an oil and gas Prospecting Permit (60102) over 108097.091 sqkm of West Coast waters. The ship has been terrorizing marine mammals away from their habitat in the South Taranaki, Kapiti Coast and Farewell Spit areas where it was blasting from October and where it regularly carried out survey blasting outside the perimeters specified in the OMV Marine Mammal Impact Assessment Report.

"Seismic blasts kill and injure whales and dolphins as well as having a negative impact on other marine life. In Tasmania researchers found that seismic blasting for oil and gas caused the loss of entire scallop beds and destroyed the scallop industry.

"The PGS Apollo is owned by Norwegian seismic survey specialists Petroleum Geo-Services (PGS).

"The OMV 'Nikau' permit covers 1365.124sqkm and adjoins two other exploration permits owned by Austrian oil giant OMV in the North Taranaki Bight, giving the company exploration rights over an area of 5864.792sqkm in North Taranaki. OMV has been operating in Aotearoa New Zealand since 1999 and has other exploration permits, jointly owned as well as a mining permit in the South Taranaki Bight."



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IMG Calls for Maari Investigation **25 November**

Following the sudden shut down this week of the Maari oil platform after discovery of a crack was found on its wellhead platform, the issue motivated group **Climate Justice Taranaki** says an independent investigation is "critical" to determine the cause and extent of damage on the platform and to assess the risks of aging oil and gas installations failing.

Wild weather and heightened earthquake risk prompted evacuation of staff off the Maari oil platform when a crack was discovered during a scheduled underwater check.

The damage is believed to have been caused by fatigue and combined action of wind and wave. It is also possible the crack may have been caused by the 7.8 earthquake that hit the country last week.

CJT's press statement says, "Over the last decade, drilling for oil and gas has intensified drastically, with more and more wells being drilled, many side-tracked from old wells, some kilometres long, most have been fracked, water-flooded or injected with waste. With greater intensity comes greater risks, especially as such infrastructure ages and climate disruption escalates.

"Alarming, industry figures show that over half of all wells fail in 20 years. The original OMV Maari wells are nearing 20 years old, those under the STOS Maui platform were drilled over 30 years old while some of the Kapuni onshore wells are 40 plus years old.

"In 1995, the McKee-13 well at Tikorangi blew out, contaminated the Mangahewa Stream with oil and drilling mud. In 2009, the regional council was informed that two Cheal producing wells had been leaking underground for two years. Several offshore oil spills have occurred in recent years, including at least three from the Maari operations. Some might argue these are minor incidents, but the chance of a

catastrophe happening is increasing," claims the statement from CJT.

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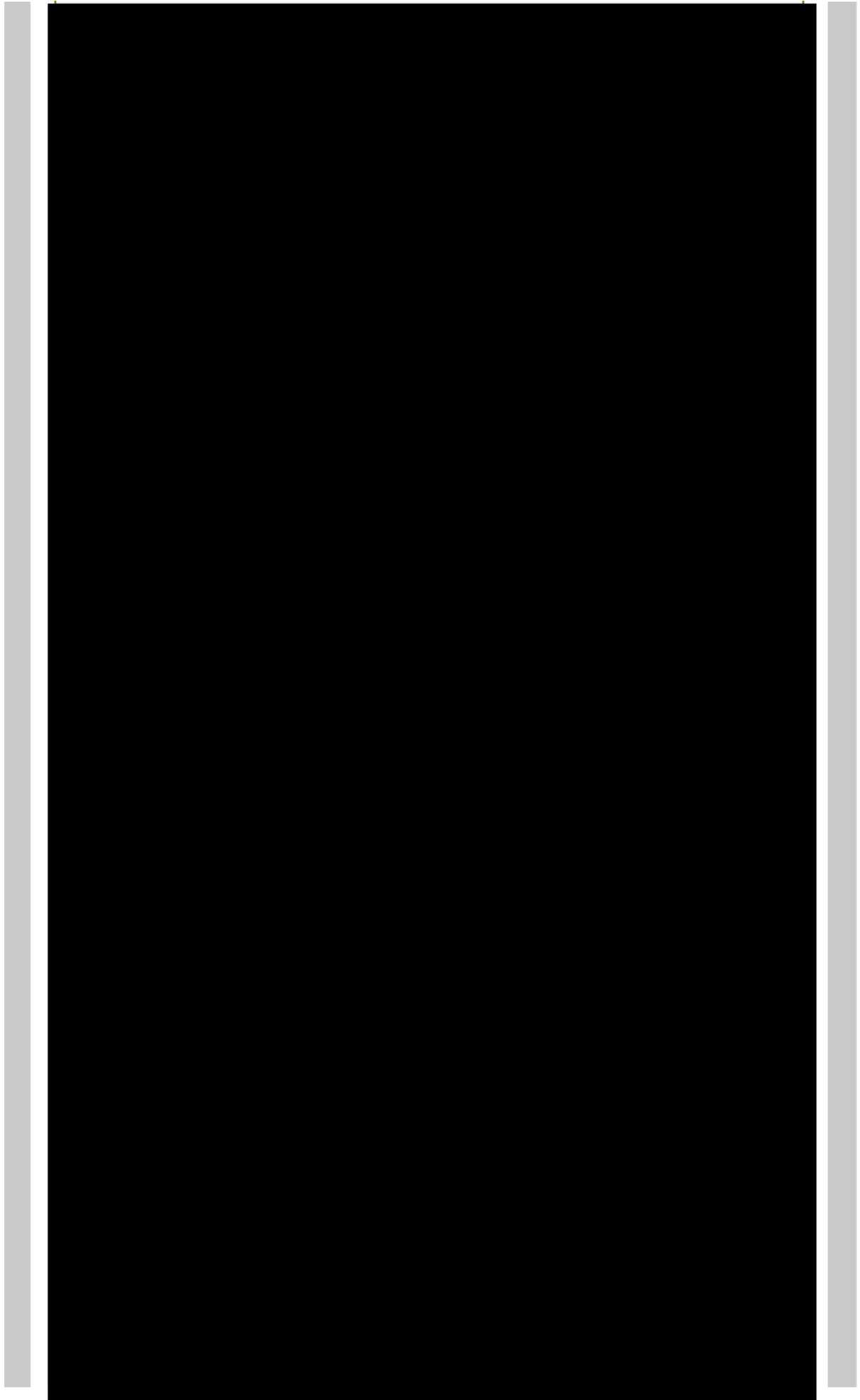
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Petroleum Club Protest 23 November

With support from a Greenpeace campaigner sent down from Auckland to assist, the issue motivated group **Climate Justice Taranaki** (CJT) held a peaceful protest in New Plymouth when the NZ Petroleum Club met in the city on Wednesday.

The protest attracted about 20 people. CJT posted photographs of the protest on its Facebook page with the message, "NZ Petroleum Club, letting them know that they have no social licence for oil and gas extraction. Really uplifting to see how many of the general public tooted their support. Woohoo!"



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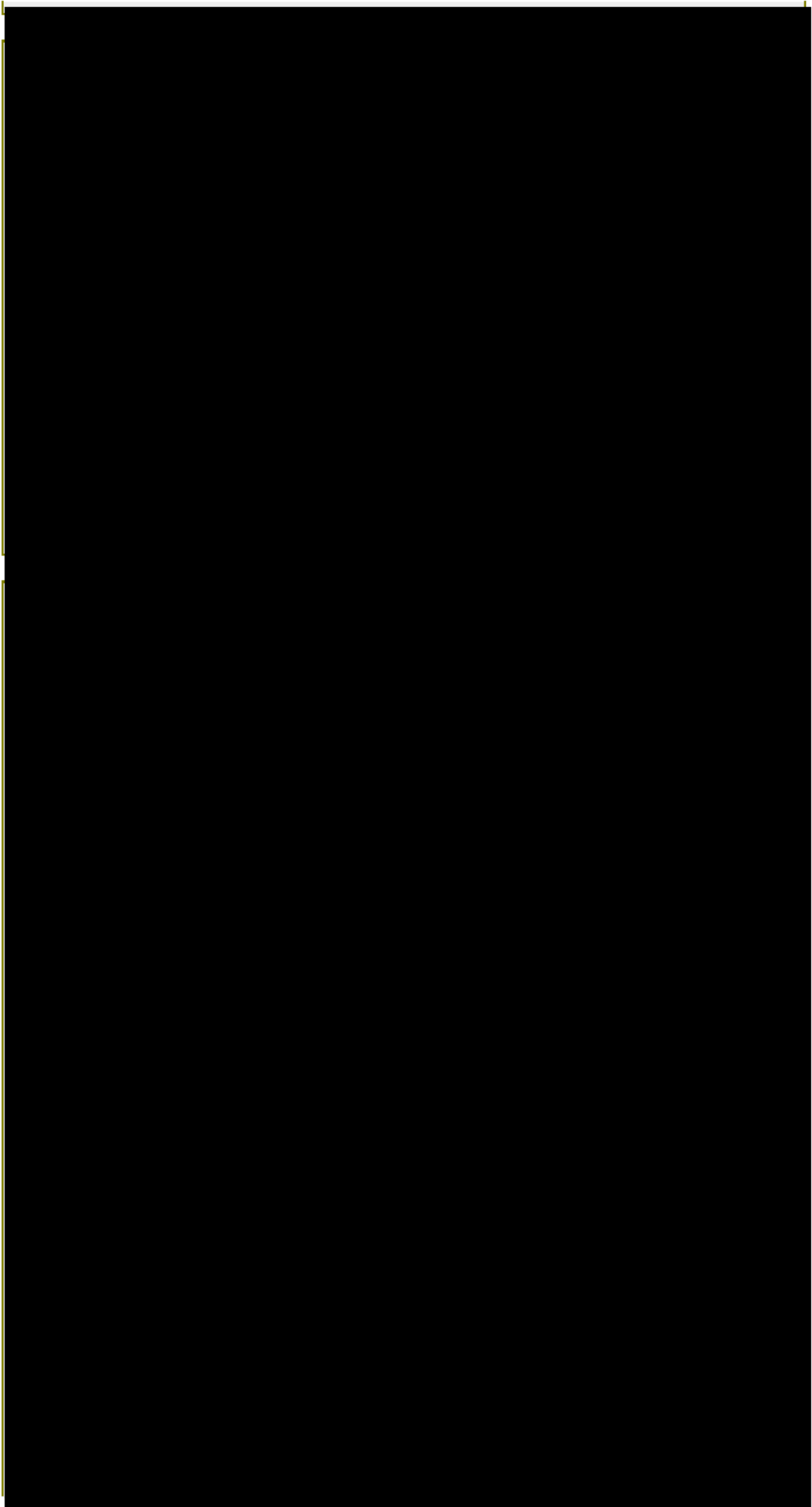
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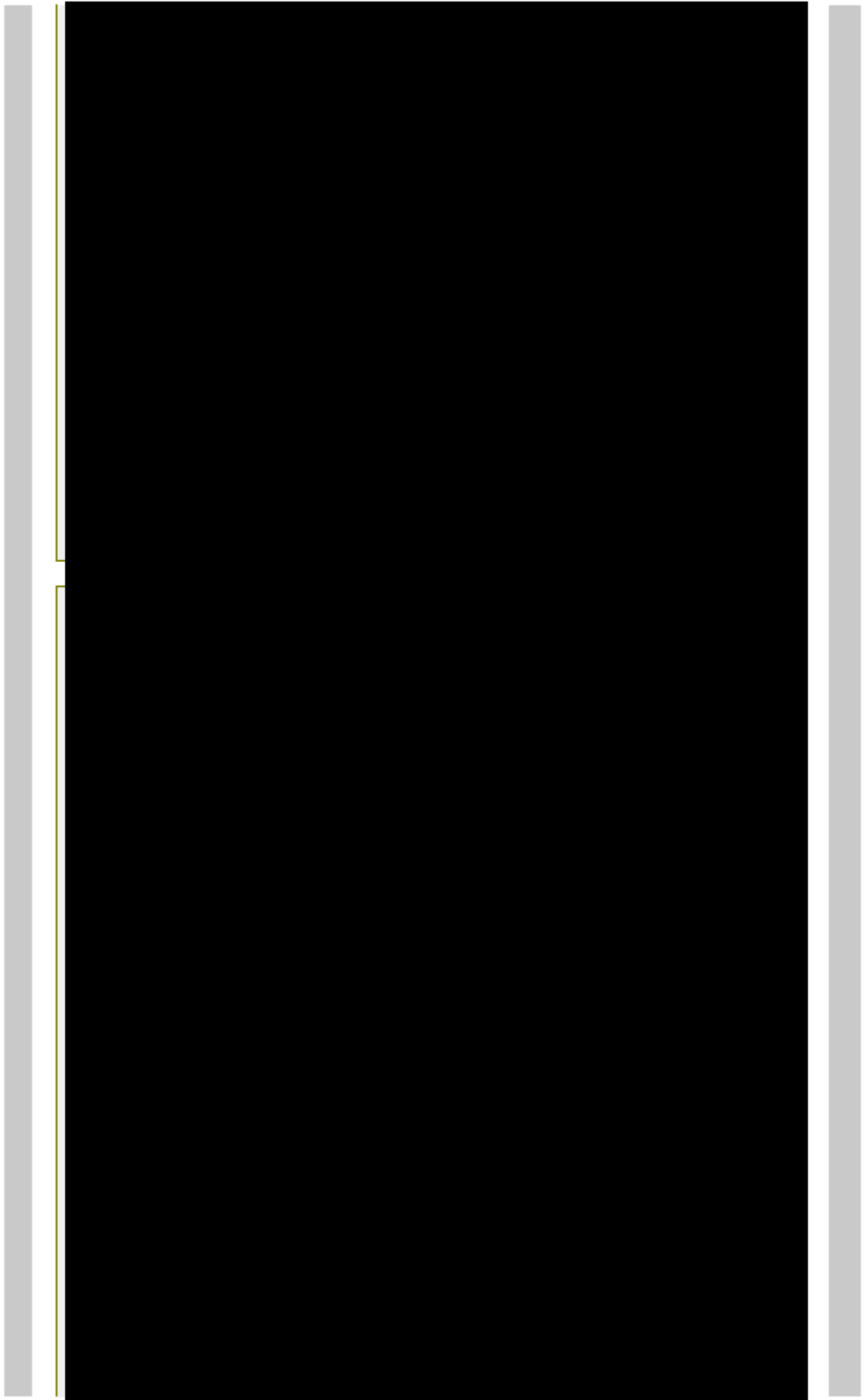
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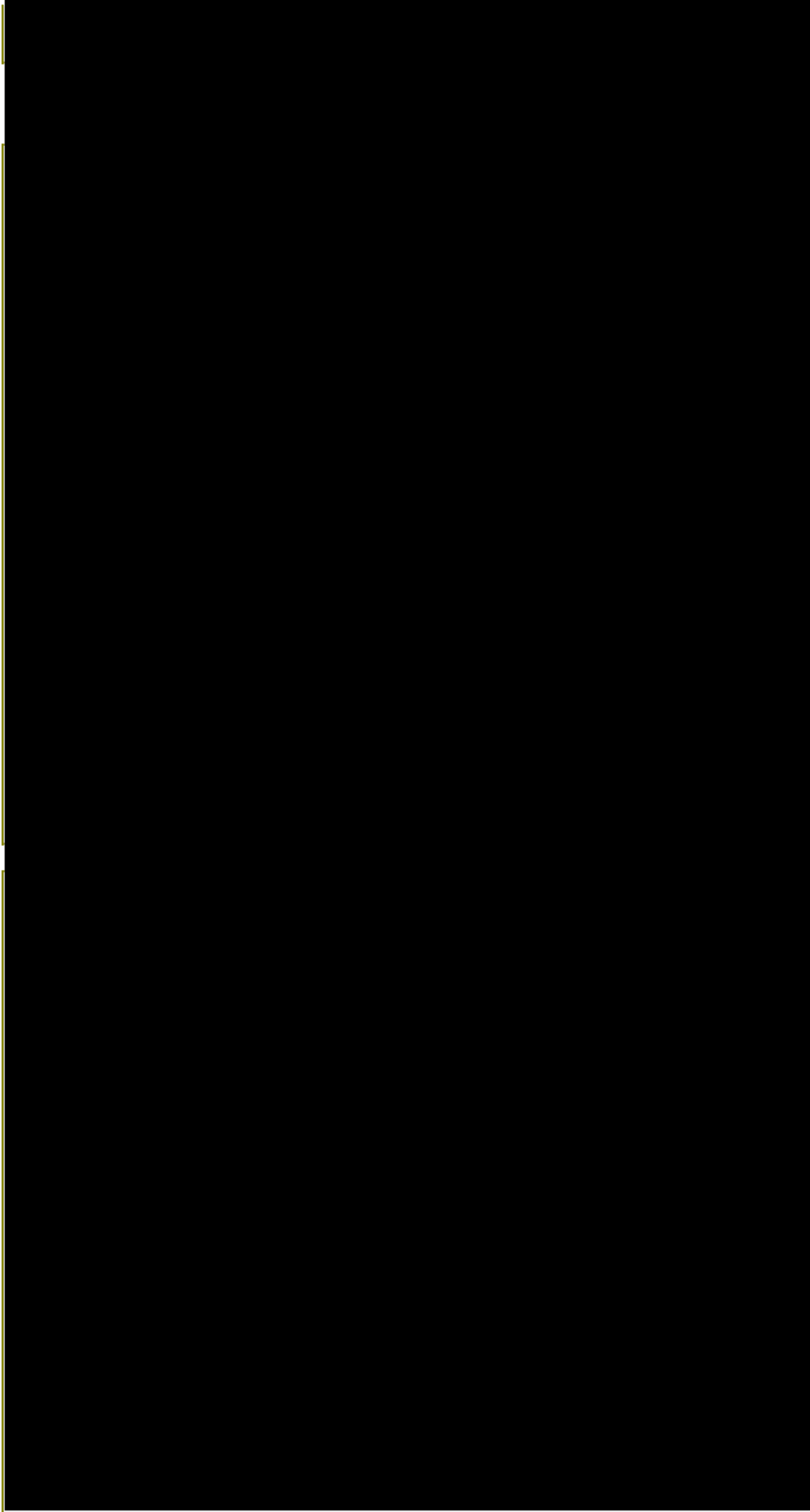
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Wellington Statoil & Chevron Protest 14 December 2017

The issue motivated group **Oil Free Wellington** will be holding a protest in Midland Park, opposite Statoil's Wellington offices on 14 December to protest against the presence of it, Chevron and other oil companies operating in New Zealand.

In a Facebook events' page set up to promote the protest, **Oil Free Wellington** says, "Any day now, the government will grant permits to allow even more prospecting for oil and gas.

"These permits are allowing companies like Chevron and Statoil to engage in seismic surveying off our coast right now. We know it's time to leave oil, gas and coal in the ground if we want to avoid catastrophic climate change and protect our environment. Communities all over the world are standing up to fossil fuel projects. They know the root causes of the social and environmental rises we face lie in an unjust economic and social system. They are part of the genuine change that is needed.

"Join **Oil Free Wellington** at Midland Park, outside Statoil's Wellington office, for chants and speakers. Let's oppose fossil fuel business as usual and show our determination to achieve a just future and a stable climate. Sign the banner to show Chevron and Statoil just how unwelcome they are, and show the government we won't stand for more prospecting permits."

So far, 18 people have said on the page that they will be attending this protest.



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