

# Say "NO" to taxing Methane



## WHY TAXING YOUR METHANE IS UNSCIENTIFIC, UNFAIR AND PLAIN WRONG.

1. Biogenic Methane emissions are falling in NZ. No additional methane is entering the atmosphere from New Zealand livestock as sheep and cattle numbers have been stable for the last decade. Methane disappears in approximately 10 years so no additional methane is building up in the atmosphere. Farmers are **NOT** causing any additional warming.
2. You are being forced to reduce your methane emissions faster than fossil fuel users effectively requiring you to subsidise vehicle owners, industrial plants, coal users. The Climate Change Commission has recommended setting harder targets for farmers than any other sector. It is unfair and one more instance of rural New Zealand being ill-treated.
3. The 48% quoted as being agriculture's emissions is proven to be false and grossly overstated by more recent research and science. The measuring system for comparing methane and CO<sub>2</sub> (the GWP) is out-dated and demonstrably wrong. Even the NZ Greenhouse Gas research Unit's directors say, "the GWP formula does not measure actual warming caused by emissions and ignores the fact that methane does not accumulate in the atmosphere like CO<sub>2</sub>". Dr Myles Allen, U.K. a committed "warmist" declared it "not fit for purpose".
5. How much will you pay? If the Carbon price reaches \$140.00 a tonne the average dairy farm will get an annual bill of **\$240,000**. At the current Carbon price your bill will be **\$70,000 p.a.** Green lobby groups want the price to go to \$250 a tonne. Save money – join F.A.R.M.  
  
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6. The Climate Commission says ruminant methane emissions are rising. We dispute that. They did that by choosing the worst possible starting date. Emissions have been falling for 10 years and are highly unlikely to rise again.

**YOU ARE BEING DECEIVED.**

**JOIN F.A.R.M. AND FIGHT INJUSTICE.**

- **Your farm leaders in other farm organisations are letting you down**
- **They are too accepting of the nonsense about methane.**
- **Only FARM is standing up for you**

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## Join F.A.R.M.



- ❖ Helps us fight unjust polices and taxes.
- ❖ Your leaders have let you down. They are trying to work “inside the tent”. They are overwhelmed by the complex science and the influence of the greenies.

- ❖ We will fight against taxing methane.

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- ‘School boy’ science tells us that there is a natural cycle. Farms use more Greenhouse Gas than they produce.

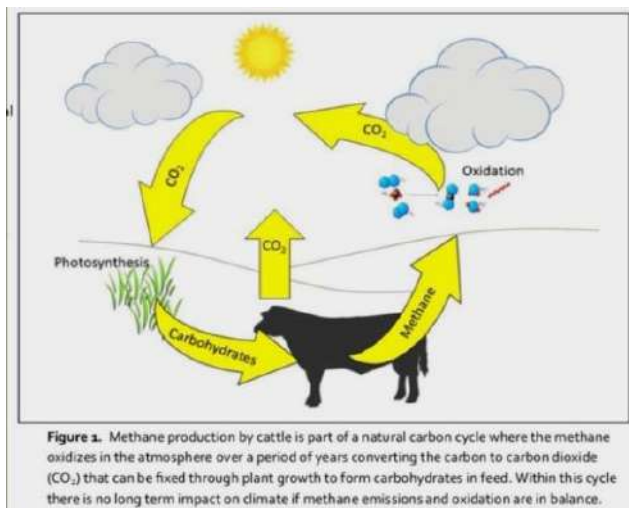


Figure 1. Methane production by cattle is part of a natural carbon cycle where the methane oxidizes in the atmosphere over a period of years converting the carbon to carbon dioxide (CO<sub>2</sub>) that can be fixed through plant growth to form carbohydrates in feed. Within this cycle there is no long term impact on climate if methane emissions and oxidation are in balance.

- NZ produces food with the lowest carbon footprint. The Govt is penalising success. Our foregone production will be produced by a country with higher emissions making a mockery of our efforts
- Article 2 of the Paris Accord excludes food production from climate taxes. Why is this vital clause being ignored? We are sacrificing the lives of the hungry to satisfy the whims of well fed elitists.
- The government is more interested in ‘optics’, ‘virtue signalling’ and appeasing green lobbyists. We need to meet fire with fire.
- We do not buy into the woke, PC nonsense that climate change is a catastrophe. Ruminant methane emissions do not need to decrease.
- The Chairman of the Climate Commission described farming as being like whaling – a dying industry. That is the underlying attitude we are fighting. Time to stand up and be counted.

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