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YOU ARE PEOPLE POWER IN ACTION: 20,000 MARCHED FOR NATURE!

Thanks to incredible supporters like you, more than 20,000 people came together on 8 June to take a stand for nature.

When the Government unveiled its anti-environmental Fast Track Approvals Bill - designed to fast-track industrial exploitation without the usual checks and balances of public consultation and environmental protections - Greenpeace, along with Forest and Bird and other community groups, led a peaceful protest down Auckland's Queen Street..

If you were among the 20,000 who marched, thank you! Your presence was a powerful statement against the Government's "War on Nature." Together, we forced the Government to make changes to the Bill. Although they're minor adjustments and the fight isn't over, this strong show of people power wouldn't have been possible without your support.

In just a few short weeks, thanks to donations from people like you, we raised \$97,000 to make this significant march a reality. What a result! Thank you! Together, we'll keep pushing for real change to protect our precious environment.



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YOU'RE STANDING UP AGAINST FONTERRA & BIG DAIRY

Your passion for protecting wildlife is driving our campaign against Fonterra and the intensive dairy industry.

Fonterra's massive use of palm kernel, a product of the palm industry which contributes to the destruction of rainforests in Southeast Asia and is threatening the habitat of species like orangutans as well as driving dairy intensification here in Aotearoa, has got to end.

New Zealand is the biggest importer of palm kernel in the world, thanks to Fonterra's dirty dairy. The palm industry is destroying the homes of innocent wildlife, including baby orangutans. Fonterra profits from that because palm kernel allows NZ Big Dairy to sustain more cows than grass alone can feed.



Orangutan at Rehabilitation Centre in Borneo
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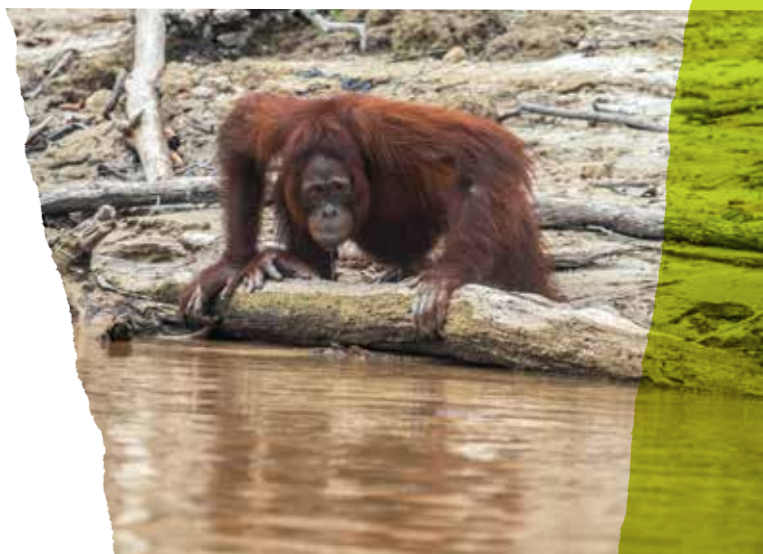
That's why on September 30, we launched our new campaign against the dairy industry's use of palm kernel by serving Fonterra with a lawsuit at its headquarters. We are suing Fonterra for misleading customers with claims that Anchor butter is '100% New Zealand grass-fed'. The truth is up to 20% of a Fonterra dairy cow's diet could be imported palm kernel linked to deforestation of rainforests in Southeast Asia.

Palm kernel is used as extra feed on Fonterra's dirty dairy farms because they are so crammed with cows that there isn't even enough grass left to feed them all. As a result of all those cows, Fonterra and Big Dairy is also New Zealand's biggest climate and fresh water polluter.

The misleading information on Fonterra's packaging is a disservice to many farmers and brands that have done the work to end their use of palm kernel. Fonterra is stuck in the past and misleading its customers by trying to hide behind greenwash. They are trying to gloss over the fact that their farming practices may be part of orangutans and other rare species being pushed to the edge of extinction.

Thanks to supporters like you, we're calling on Fonterra to stop the use of palm kernel on its farms, and move towards sustainable practices that protect both biodiversity and the climate.

If you haven't yet signed the petition, you can do so at: [greenpeace.nz/signpk](https://www.greenpeace.nz/signpk)



Orangutan Threatened by Haze in Central Kalimantan
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Deforestation in Central Kalimantan
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HOW YOU'RE PROTECTING OCEAN LIFE

Life on Seabeds in Noli, Italy © Lorenzo Moscia / Greenpeace



Your support is helping protect New Zealand's oceans and the incredible creatures that call them home. From vibrant coral reefs to majestic whales, your generosity is making a real difference in protecting our blue planet.

With your backing, we're standing strong against the threat of seabed mining, an industry that will endanger unique marine habitats and creatures. Despite years of Greenpeace and other groups keeping seabed mining out of the waters of the South Taranaki Bight, wannabe mining companies like Trans-Tasman Resources (TTR) have been emboldened to attempt mining again thanks to the Fast Track Approvals Bill. The generosity of people like you means we can continue to stand against TTR's attempts to start destroying the seabed here. On September 24,

Greenpeace activists occupy Wellington offices of mining industry lobbyist Straterra © Marty Melville / Greenpeace



Greenpeace activists occupied the Wellington offices of TTR's lobby group Straterra in protest of their plans, with three activists locking themselves inside the building, and two more climbing onto the front of the building to deploy a large 'No Seabed Mining' banner.

And hours after the occupation of Straterra's offices, two more brave activists scaled a tower near Parliament and dropped a 22-metre banner also reading No Seabed Mining.

This action was a demonstration of the resistance promised in a recently published open letter to all companies considering using the Fast Track Approvals process. While in the office, the activist also unfurled a large document with the names of the more than 7,500 people who signed on to the letter.

If you were one of them, thank you!

Your gifts are also making an international impact, as we're amplifying the voices of Pacific nations opposing deep sea mining in the Pacific.

At the same time in the Arctic, the Norwegian Government is opening up deep and wild waters to deep sea mining exploration.

Our Nordic and German colleagues set sail with a group of scientists to the mining area to expose how whale and dolphin species could be impacted by this destructive industry. Whales and dolphins live and feed in the same deep sea area that the Norwegian government is opening for mining, and are highly sensitive to industrial activities and noise pollution. With your help, I know our international community can protect these animals.

Back closer to home, ship crews have been hard at work documenting the damage caused by bottom trawling on the Emperor Seamounts in the North Pacific. Their research—funded by supporters like you—adds momentum to our call for new marine protected areas, which will safeguard 30% of the world's oceans by 2030.

Want to see the footage from the Emperor Seamounts? Watch here: [greenpeace.nz/watchme](https://www.greenpeace.nz/watchme)

We'll keep you posted as the journey continues with how you can help make ocean sanctuaries a reality. Soon, the Greenpeace fleet will visit the Lord Howe Rise/South Tasman Sea to gather more research, photos and videos from these vital ecosystems to build the case for their urgent protection.

Cook Islands civil society calls for ocean protection from deep sea mining during underwater minerals meeting, supported by Greenpeace





WHY DON'T YOU JOIN US!

Greenpeace Aotearoa is a people-powered organisation and volunteers are our lifblood. We'd love for you to get involved!

Whether it's online or in person, there are many ways you can take part to protect nature, democracy, and Te Tiriti here in Aotearoa. From painting banners to taking part in daring actions, there's something for everyone.

Help bring to life our vision of a land and ocean full of diversity and life through creative activities and strategic actions.

You can register to find out more at: greenpeace.nz/vollie

YOU'RE HELPING NEW ZEALANDERS TEST THEIR DRINKING WATER

Thanks to your generosity, we've been able to free run water testing events across the country, particularly in regions where nitrate contamination from intensive dairy farming is a concern. No one should have to worry about whether the water from their tap is safe to drink, and your support is helping us tackle this growing problem.

A growing body of scientific evidence has found links between nitrate contamination of water and a host of potential health impacts, from bowel cancer to premature births.

New Zealand scientists warn that people in rural areas are the most likely to be exposed to hazardous levels of nitrate. Our water testing programme helps New Zealanders understand their risks, contributes to a body of research

around where nitrate contamination is most severe, and raises awareness to pressure the Government to make drinking water safe for all.

We'll continue to offer free water testing, so keep an eye on our website for future events. You can also mail in your water sample to find out if it's polluted—no matter where you live in New Zealand.

EXPLORE NITRATE CONTAMINATION IN NZ:

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YOU'RE CHALLENGING BIG PLASTIC POLLUTERS



Arctic Sunrise Ship Tour in the Pacific Ocean © Diana Rey Melo / Greenpeace

Sea Turtle and Plastic Pollution on Bangkuru Island © Paul Hilton / Greenpeace

Your voice is a lifeline for seabirds, dolphins, turtles, and other marine creatures threatened by plastic pollution. With your help, we're pushing for a future where single-use plastics are a thing of the past.

Because of you, we're able to sustain the fight for a strong Global Plastics Treaty, and we're building momentum toward banning unnecessary single-use plastic bottles. Together, we're demanding change from companies like Coca-Cola, which pumps out billions of plastic bottles each year.

The final UN negotiations for a Global Plastics Treaty will take place in Busan, South Korea from November 25 to December 1, 2024. We are

pushing for a strong, legally binding agreement that will curb the global plastics crisis.

We have some impressive international artists and activists who have joined our call. Tony and Grammy winner Bette Midler and Oscar winner Lupita Nyong'o, for example, have added their voices to demand world leaders support an ambitious Global Plastics Treaty that will drastically reduce plastic production and end single-use plastic.

GLOBAL VICTORIES

Your ongoing support makes a difference around the world. Here are just a few highlights from recent months:

Revisiting Beaches after Clean-up in Greece © Constantinos Stathias / Greenpeace



Cetaceans of the Hellenic Trench © Mariza Karidi / Greenpeace



Borkum Gas Project - Protest against Drilling © Greenpeace

NORTH SEA

Drilling INTERRUPTED

After Greenpeace activists occupied a gas drilling platform in the North Sea, the Dutch court ruled to halt the project, a huge win for the environment!



GREECE

Safe & PLASTIC-FREE Water

Our “Rendezvous at the Taps” campaign is campaigning for free, safe drinking water in Greece, reducing plastic waste and promoting sustainability.



LNG © Antti Yrjönen © / Greenpeace

EUROPE

LNG BLOCKED

Following years of pressure from Greenpeace, sanctions were passed that essentially halt LNG (Liquified “Natural” AKA Fossil Gas) imports from Russia to Sweden and Finland in a great win for the climate.



INSPIRING SUPPORTERS

Meet one of our amazing supporters, Katerina, who has left Greenpeace a legacy in her Will.

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To find out more about how to leave a gift in your Will, contact **Danny Dyson**:
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I decided to leave a gift to Greenpeace in my Will because I believe the organisation does genuinely worthwhile work towards creating healthier natural ecosystems and a happier and more equitable world for people.

“Direct action is sometimes the most effective way to make a difference and Greenpeace is one of the very few organisations with the long-standing experience and competence to carry out such actions.”

- Katerina

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