

# THE CLEANER, SAFER FUTURE WE'RE BUILDING

## WHAT IT WILL TAKE TO PHASE OUT FOSSIL FUELS

### Australia's switch to clean energy is well underway.

Most of us want the same things. A safer future for our kids. Wildlife and nature that are thriving, not declining. A cleaner, more affordable economy. A country that does right by the next generation – and by the planet we share.

With over 44% of our electricity grid already powered by renewables, we're making great progress. More than one in three Australian households already have solar on their rooftops, and hundreds of thousands are buying home batteries too. Clean energy is outperforming coal, and electric vehicles are on the rise. The economics of renewables stack up and most Australians want it.

These are the foundations of the future we're working towards and it's within reach.

And to get there, we have to do the hardest part: phase out coal, oil and gas for good.

Here's what it'll take.



# WHAT'S IN THE WAY OF PHASING OUT FOSSIL FUELS & WHO'S PUSHING BACK

If phasing out coal, oil and gas were simple, it'd already be done.

Fossil fuels are held in place by a web of influence – a set of conditions that we need to unravel, each contributing to the final goal of phasing out coal, oil and gas. And across every one, people are already pushing.

## ECONOMY

Clean energy needs to replace fossil fuels in our economy.

Who's leading the change:

- CLEAN ENERGY INDUSTRY
- UNIONS BACKING NEW JOBS
- INVESTORS SHIFTING CAPITAL

## TRADE

Australia's trading partners that import Australian coal and gas.

Who's leading the change:

- TRADE NEGOTIATORS
- PRIVATE ENTERPRISE
- GOVERNMENTS BUILDING CLEAN EXPORT PARTNERSHIPS
- DIPLOMATS

# PHASE OUT COAL, OIL AND GAS

## CONTRACTS

Existing contracts lock in decades of fossil fuel production.

Who's leading the change:

- DIVESTMENT CAMPAIGNS
- SHAREHOLDER ADVOCATES
- FINANCIAL REGULATORS

## LAWS

Laws weren't built to factor in climate damage.

Who's leading the change:

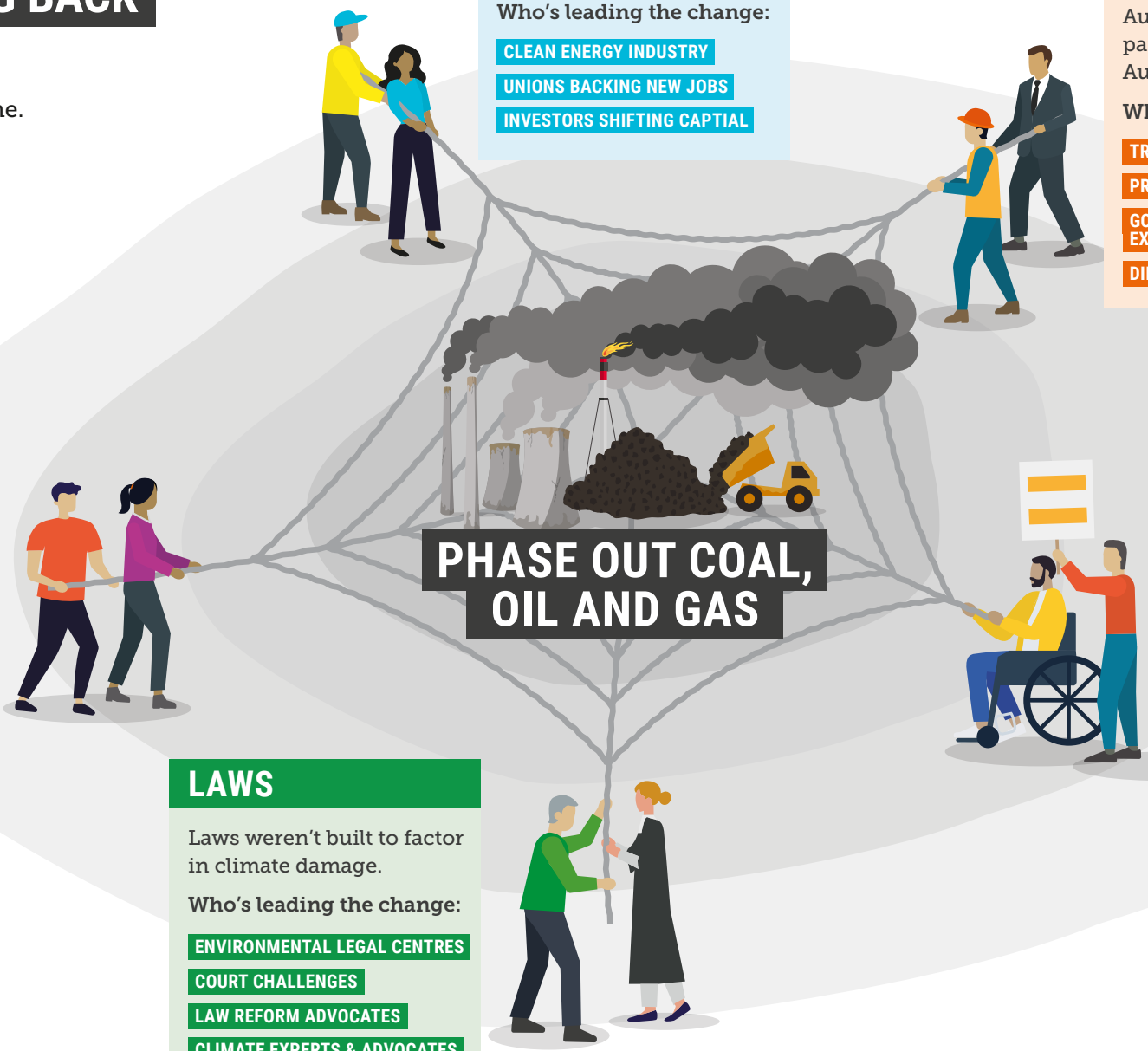
- ENVIRONMENTAL LEGAL CENTRES
- COURT CHALLENGES
- LAW REFORM ADVOCATES
- CLIMATE EXPERTS & ADVOCATES

## POLITICS

Governments need to feel enough public pressure to curb fossil fuel production and pollution.

Who's leading the change:

- COMMUNITIES
- GRASSROOTS GROUPS
- CLIMATE CAMPAIGNERS
- ENVIRONMENTAL CAMPAIGNERS



# THE CLIMATE COUNCIL'S ROLE IN PHASING OUT

There are lots of factors holding the web of fossil fuels in place, and different groups have different roles to play to unravel them.

The Climate Council focuses on influencing politics and laws because without public pressure and stronger legislation, the rest of the conditions won't unravel.

## HOW THE CLIMATE COUNCIL HELPS UNRAVEL THE FOSSIL FUEL WEB

### 1 Shift the story

We arm the public, media and decision-makers with facts that fossil fuels are expensive and risky, and that clean energy is here, affordable and reliable.

Our areas of influence:

**POLITICS** **LAWS** **TRADE**  
**ECONOMY** **CONTRACTS**

### 2 Build the pressure

We mobilise our community and the public to show decision-makers that Australians want action on fossil fuels – and hold them to account when they stall.

Our areas of influence:

**POLITICS**

### 3 Advocate for stronger laws

We work with decision-makers to push for reforms that create lasting change. Every safeguard strengthened, every approval law improved, every loophole closed makes it harder for the industry to hold its ground.

Our areas of influence:

**LAWS** **CONTRACTS**

### 4 Champion our clean energy future

We tell the stories of clean energy wins and thriving communities – because as long as people believe fossil fuels are essential, no amount of evidence they're harmful will be enough.

Our areas of influence:

**POLITICS** **TRADE**  
**ECONOMY**

**FOSSIL FUELS**



## THIS IS LONG TERM WORK

It won't happen in one campaign or one election. But each condition that unravels changes the landscape for good.

**And with you on our side, we know that the cleaner, safer future we're pushing for is within reach.**

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