

# Keep Up-to-Date On The Latest Current Events With NiE



The next issue of Zoned In - Hot Topics: Resource Extraction in the Spotlight - takes a look at two of the biggest issues at present: the controversy surrounding the Government's mining proposals and the Gulf of Mexico oil spill crisis. Both topics are connected to the broader topic of resource extraction and this issue will look at the consequences of such activity here and in the Gulf.

**This topic will include information on the following:**

- Schedule 4 lands proposed for mining
- The Government's reasons for wanting to allow mining
- Reasons why some people oppose the mining plans
- How the Gulf oil spill occurred
- What clean up methods are taking place
- Who is being blamed for the spill

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**Subjects:** Social Studies, Science

**Key Competencies:** Thinking; Using Language, Symbols, and Texts

**Social Studies Strands and Achievement Objectives – Level Five:**

**Objectives – Level Five:**

**Strands:**

- The Economic World
- Identity, Culture, and Organisation
- Place and Environment

**Achievement Objectives:**

- Understand how economic decisions impact on people, communities, and nations.
- Understand how people's management of resources impacts on environmental and social sustainability.
- Understand how systems of government in NZ operate and affect people's lives.
- Understand how cultural interaction impacts on cultures and societies.

**Perspectives:** Current Issues, Future, Multicultural

**Conceptual Understandings:** Belonging and Participating in Society

**ELANZS:** Current events and issues within New Zealand; Changing patterns of resource and land use

**Science Strands and Achievement Objectives:**

**Nature of Science – Level 5**

Participating and Contributing: Develop an understanding of socio-scientific issues by gathering relevant scientific information in order to draw evidence-based conclusions and to take action where appropriate.

**Living World - Level 5**

Ecology: Investigate the interdependence of living things (including humans) in an ecosystem.

**Planet Earth and Beyond - Level 4**

Earth Systems: Develop an understanding that water, air, rocks and soil, and life forms make up our planet and recognise that these are also Earth's resources.

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