Submission on Proposed Canterbury Land and Water Regional Plan

Form 5: Submissions on a Publicly Notified Proposed Policy Statement or Regional Plan under Clause 6 of Schedule 1 of the Resource Management Act 1991

Return your signed submission by 5.00pm Friday 5 October 2012 to:
- Freepost 1201 Proposed Canterbury Land and Water Regional Plan
- Environment Canterbury
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Trade Competition

Pursuant to Clause 6 of Schedule 1 of the Resource Management Act 1991, a person who could gain an advantage in trade competition through the submission may make a submission only if directly affected by an effect of the proposed policy statement or plan that:
- adversely affects the environment; and
- does not relate to trade competition or the effects of trade competition.

Please tick the sentence that applies to you:
☑ I could not gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission; or
☐ I could gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission.

If you have ticked this box please select one of the following:
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Signature: __________ Date: 18/09/2012

(Signature of person making submission or person authorised to sign on behalf of person making the submission)

Please note:
(1) all information contained in a submission under the Resource Management Act 1991, including names and addresses for service, becomes public information.
☑ I do not wish to be heard in support of my submission; or
☐ I do wish to be heard in support of my submission; and if so,
☐ If others make a similar submission, I will consider presenting a joint case with them at the hearing.
(1) The specific provisions of the Proposed Plan that my submission relates to are:

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(2) My submission is that: (include whether you support or oppose the specific provisions or wish to have them amended and the reasons for your views.)

(3) I seek the following decisions from Environment Canterbury: (Please give precise details for each provision. The more specific you can be the easier it will be for the Council to understand your concerns.)

Add further pages as required – please initial any additional pages.
Submission to Environment Southland

on

Proposed Canterbury Land and Water Regional Plan

Introduction

1. This submission is from:
   EnviroWaste Services Limited
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2. We do not wish to be heard in support of this submission.

3. The contact person for this submission is:
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4. EnviroWaste Services Limited (ESL) is the second-largest waste company in New Zealand. In conjunction with several of its joint ventures, EnviroWaste owns and operates landfills, recycling and waste transfer facilities. EnviroWaste also provides kerbside refuse and recycling collection services for a number of district and city councils as well as small and large business and industry clients throughout New Zealand.

5. As a company ESL is committed to working proactively in partnership with Councils, Central Government and others to:
   • prevent pollution and enhance standards of the waste industry in New Zealand;
   • promote resource recovery and sustainable waste minimization;
   • achieve environmental improvements; and
   • share environmental expertise.
EnviroWaste's Submission

6. ESL supports Environment Canterbury's Proposed Land and Water Regional Plan (PLWRP). In particular ESL supports the following policies:

- Policy 4.11, in respect of discharge of contaminants to land or to water;
- Policy 4.16, in respect of earthworks, land excavation and deposition of material into land over aquifers;
- Policy 4.24, in respect of hazardous substances, and hazardous activities.

7. However, ESL is concerned that some aspects of the proposed plan, in respect of the disposal of waste to land, are inconsistent with provisions in the Operative Natural Resources Regional Plan (NRRP).

8. The proposed LWRP does not have a definition for cleanfill, whereas the operative NRRP does. ESL suggests that a definition of cleanfill and appropriate rules to allow the deposition of clean, uncontaminated, inert fill materials be incorporated into the plan.

9. The proposed LWRP has an appropriate definition for solid waste. However, the definition used for municipal solid waste is:

   *Municipal Solid Waste means solid waste collected by a territorial authority and disposed of at a landfill.*

10. This is inconsistent with the currently recognized definition of municipal solid waste in the CAE Landfill Guidelines, which is:

   *Municipal solid waste is any non-hazardous, solid waste from a combination of domestic, commercial and industrial sources. It includes putrescible waste, garden waste, uncontaminated biosolids and clinical and related waste (including contaminated waste sterilised to a standard acceptable to*
the Department of Health). All municipal solid waste should have an angle of repose of greater than five degrees (5°) and have no free liquids.

11. As the current definition limits municipal solid waste to that waste only collected by councils, Rule 5.67 and Rule 5.68 apply only to wastes collected by councils and hazardous wastes. Other wastes that would normally be included in a definition of municipal solid waste are only covered by Rule 5.6.

12. ESL suggests that the definition of municipal solid waste be revised to reflect the currently accepted definition above and/or the word “municipal” be deleted from Rule 5.67 and Rule 5.68 so that the rules apply to solid waste, as defined.

13. In summary, ESL supports the Proposed Land and Water Regional Plan, but recommends amendments to some definitions and rules.

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