

**Submission on Proposed Waipara Catchment
Environmental Flow and Water Allocation Regional Plan**



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(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.

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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

- Tick this box if you do not wish to be heard in support of your submission;
- Tick this box if you do wish to be heard in support of your submission; and,
- Tick this box if you would be prepared to consider presenting your submission in a joint case with others making a similar submission at any hearing.

Return your signed submission by Monday 14th June 2010 to:

Freepost 1201
 Proposed Waipara Catchment Environmental Flow and Water Allocation Regional Plan
 Environment Canterbury
 P O Box 345
 Christchurch
 Email: mailroom@ecan.govt.nz

(1) The specific provisions of the variation that my submission relates to are: (Specify page number and subsection numbering for each separate provision).

see attached sheet.

(2) My submission is that: (State concisely: the nature of your submission, and clearly indicate whether you support or oppose each separate provision being submitted on, or wish to have amendments made, giving reasons.)

see attached sheet.

(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.)

see attached sheet

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2. We oppose the possibility of the loss of our long standing right to use our existing wells under permitted use. We seek that Section B be revoked
3. As we have been using our two house wells since 1918, we object strongly to the possibility of not being able to continue the use of these wells

We consider that we would always have an unconditional use of these under the RMA. Our use is a very small amount of water (not more than 3000L a day in summer) and only for household use. We refer to the section 14 (3) of the RMA.

While we understand that ground water in the area has recently been fully allocated, we contend there is no right under the RMA to take away our permitted use after 92 years of modest use by our two household wells.

The water from these wells is of very high quality and they have never, even in the longest droughts, gone dry in 92 years.

To use any other supply would put us to needless expense and possibly an inferior quality supply.

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