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Hi there.

Please stop the farmers from having burn offs as this has a bad effect on the asthma of my whole family. We live rural. A lot of this smoke finds its way into all the towns around Timaru causing pollution on even the fine days.

Farmers burnoffs are not for the health of the soil or reducing fire risk, but a simple way of getting a winter crop in and further depleting the soil of valuable nutrients. Also during the winter the felled shelter belts are burnt, which can smoulder for weeks, as happened in Geraldine last winter.

In the areas around South Canterbury we have a lot of power cuts during bad weather and LOG BURNERS are a must in this area. A lot of the older people need this method of heating and be able to cook on them, which you can't do with the electric heat pumps.

I do not wish to participate publicly, just wanted to have my say.

Thank you.

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