## Form 5 Submission on publicly notified proposal for policy statement or plan

Clause 6 of First Schedule, Resource Management Act 1991

To Canterbury Regional Council

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This is a submission on Proposed Canterbury Air Regional Plan

The specific provisions of the proposal that my submission relates to are:

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Outdoor burning in Rural Areas and Clean Air Zone 2 areas, in particular Rule 7.10 (8); within a clean air zone burning shall not take place during May, June, July or August.

## My submission is:

- I oppose the prohibition on outdoor burning in the clean air 2 zone during the months of May, June,
   July and August
- The clean air 2 zone to the west of Rangiora is Rural Zoned land under the Waimakariri District Plan.
   The prohibition during the above months will be prohibitive to normal farming practices.
- The clean air 2 zone on the western side of Rangiora enjoys a predominantly easterly wind, carrying any smoke from outdoor burnings away from urban areas.
- The WDC summer Fire ban covers the summer months, allowing only a short window between it being lifted and the beginning of May. This will force unsafe practices in order to accomplish the burning of organic matter in such a tight time frame.
- The beneficiaries of the prohibition are residential properties in Rangiora. The proposed plan notes at Page 4 that home heating is the predominant source of contaminants that exceed guidelines – not outdoor burning in neighbouring rural areas.
- The other rules controlling outdoor burning are tenable and would control effects to a more than minor level, especially given the predominant wind direction for the clean air 2 zone on the western side of Rangiora.

I seek the following decision from the local authority:

- Delete the rule 7.10(8) prohibiting outdoor burning during May, June, July and August.
- Alternatively, a permitted rule could be introduced for the specified months allowing outdoor burning in the rural zoned areas of the CAZ2 to the west of Rangiora, between 8am and say 2pm, allowing time for smoke to disperse in the predominantly easterly daytime wind.

I wish to be heard in support of my submission.

Signature of submitter (*or* person authorised to sign on behalf of submitter)

Date

(A signature is not required if you make your submission by electronic means.)

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