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Dear Sir/Madam,

Private Citizen Submission. Ph. 351 1609. Mob. 027 226 2992. 12th April 2015-04-12

I do wish to discuss my submission in person. Contact details may be made public.

SUBMISSION.

Your name is Environment Canterbury and as such your primary role is to ensure a clean and healthy environment for the people of Canterbury.
As part of your task, you could advantageously extend this to all life in Canterbury, aiming for biodiversity with a strong bias towards, native to Canterbury vegetation and animals.

Your job is not about economic growth. You cannot serve two masters; economic growth and the environment. These are the antithesis of each other, in many but not all areas. Economic growth is fraught with problems, such as water, air and ground pollution, At the same time, it tends to polarize our society towards wider income disparity.

WHAT TO DO

Water; rivers, lakes and the 'great unknown', aquifers.

During your watch, from the Hurunui to Selwyn Rivers have gone backward in terms of swimmability. This may not be due to actions you've taken or not taken, as this path to bacterial contamination may have been set in preceeding years.

The only way to tackle this problem is to have a Queen's Chain 25m fenced off each side on all major Canterbury rivers with tributaries having a lesser strip width.

On the other side of the equation, the polluters need to be the major funders of this strip on both sides of our major rivers; predator fenced and controlled with the mostly native vegetation.

Public Transport

This is not functioning as it should. There seems to be an emphasis on big buses which out of rush hours often carry a car full of people, sometimes 1 or 2, even zero.

Has serious consideration been given to using the existing rail network to start an urban rail service North South and East West?. After all the 2 larger cities in NZ have such a rail service and with population growth, a low carbon emission economy in mind, now would be a opportune time to start such a transport system. This could easily work in and provide some competition for an inefficient bus company. Urban Rail could start small and grow organically.with emphasis on Safety, Punctuality and Commuter priority.

I'm sure the average motorist commuter in Christchurch would be happy to pay an extra cent or 2 as tax per litre at the pump, to fund development to get more vechicles off the road.

The driver funds the rail user and their own safety with overbridges etc.

I believe Ecan is trying to be all things to all people, which is paralysing it's effectiveness.. This is impossible. Do you have a mission statement, that all at Ecan can support?.

There is a hackneyed word "sustainability" which has become meaningless as there as many meanings as there are people that utter the word.

I suggest you change it for "stewardship" and ponder on what means for a pleasant and healthy environment for the people of Canterbury

Cam Odlin April 2015-04-13



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