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From: Wright Penny
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To whom it may concern,
Please find my submission to the LTP attached.
I do not wish to speak to my submission.
Regards,
Penny Wright

Submission on Environment Canterbury Long Term Plan 2015

Submission as follows:

I am greatly disturbed at the plans outlined in this LTP to reduce biodiversity funding. I believe this is a time of increasing biodiversity threats. Recently I suffered an incursion of willow aphid at my suburban property in Woodend. Such pest invasions in Canterbury are serious and in this instance will exacerbate an existing problem (wasps) in parts of the region.

The work, we in the community do, could well be undermined if biodiversity funding from Environment Canterbury is lessened. I have been leading a very successful wasp control programme in the Craigieburn Basin this year on behalf of the Waimakariri Environment and Recreation Committee. It disappoints me that cuts to this type of funding is being signalled, and I am concerned that ultimately it may well undermine the hard work and will to overcome, that is being displayed at community level.

I also take an interest in the Ashley/Rakahuri River having lived close by & used it for recreation for the last 35 years. I would like to request that Environment Canterbury develop and implement a plan to prevent or at the very least minimise the damage to braided rivers and the ecosystems/wildlife dependent on them caused by motorised vehicles which currently access the riverbeds for recreational purposes. If this means access restriction, I would be most supportive of this way forward.

Penny Wright
13/4/15