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Your submission	What do you want Environment Canterbury to do?
I notice that the Hurunui district hardly rates a mention. There are 2 major rivers in our district and both are at risk of further pollution. Transport. Trains will work better than buses in the long term. Expand the present rail system to all small towns in Canterbury. Get people out of cars and into trains in rural Canterbury.	Encourage investment ~~invest~~ in a workable train system for the whole Canterbury district.
Don't change Possum Control we still need it → Enlarge your new scheme and spend more on these.	keep the possum control going there are still possums about. Rabbits to

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Better water management. Tell people with "grunt" what to do make things maditory, insist that rural canterbury comes up to the mark. Where in this document does it tackle Clean up rivers to a swim + drinkable standard? Surely those who pollute should bear the cost of the clean up. Tax them at purchase point. As a rate payer I would object to paying to support a 1 Million dollar industry to clean up its mess when that industry was the cause of the pollution.	Have more powers to act. Encourage is allows an out. Make this happen and quickly. These who create pollution should be taxed to clean it up. This would effectively modify how they operate. They do this in Europe
Natural habitats. All habitats need protection + action. Why is just the Waimakariri river mentioned in this document. What about the Hurunui, Waiau, Rotaia and Rangitata? They too are under threat. introduced plants	So spend more money on this. Think of the whole of Canterbury → Get rid of them + allow flooding to flush them out.
Hazardous waste. Make it cheap to the ordinary NZer to dispose cheaply safely + legally. We get waste → dumped in river beds + on the side of country roads + reserves.	Cut the cost of this. ~~the~~ People will use the legal spots then.
Stop "farm pits" ban them + provide waste recycling free for farmers.	Tell the Hurunui district Council to start a rubbish/recycling collection in bins for this district Rural + Towns. This is a must! They don't have any ~~for the rural district~~ + are talking about stopping the town collections.

Continue your submission on additional pages if necessary.

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Rubbish and recycling should not be seen as needing to make a profit, a business. Instead goods should be taxed at source to pay for waste later. Businesses that produce a lot of waste pay more to clean up the environment. Examples such as dairying and Macdonalds spring to mind. To do this would very quickly change the way they operate, after all it is only a model practiced in Europe with extraordinary results eg in how cars are made. ~~an example is~~ So much of it now is able to be recycled, because it has to.

The last but not least remark I wish to ~~make~~ talk ~~is~~ about how Environment Canterbury operates. Firstly I am emphatic that this organisation should be democratically elected in 2016. Democracy is about debate and conversation. It is healthy and is long overdue in its reinstatement. The government is acting without faith in its electors. It is illegal? It is soul distroying and rude. It is three years overdue! It is time to change back! No half measures. Do it NOW!!!

Secondly I would like to remind everyone who works for Environment Canterbury that it's focus is on the local Environment firstly. I have been profoundly disturbed to be informed by those working for your organisation "that business must be allowed to operate" ??? The Ashley river dried up into isolated pools, so did the Waipara river but the irrigators still ran adjacent to these rivers, admittedly with reduced flows, but should they have been allowed to if your first consideration is for the environment? Or are you or should be trading under the brand name "Business Canterbury!"

Ask I ask you at what point do you ask for irrigation

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to stop? When there is no water left?

Remember when California had aquafirs bigger than Canterbury's! Study what happened. Californians thought the water would always be there — and look at them today — they are — they really are running out of water! Do you wish that to happen to our Aquafir's? Don't use them all up today. They took thousands of years to grow. Respect that ~~and~~ to ensure theire existance for many more thousands of years.

We are afterall here on this planet forever because we cannot safely travel in space. So careful how you go. Show more 'grut' and conserve our resources.

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