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Your name *	Murray Sim
Your organisation and role in it (if applicable)	Christchurch Estuary Association Inc. of which I am Chairman
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Date	Thursday 9 April 2015
Tick the box if you wish to discuss your submission in person	• Yes
Your submission	
SUBMISSION ON ENVIRONMENT CANTERBURY 'S DRAFT LONG TERM PLAN 2015/25	
Organization Making Submission:- CHRISTCHURCH ESTUARY ASSOCIATION INC.	
Contact Person:- Mrs.Sandra Sim Correspondence Secretary	

As our submission is on behalf of the Christchurch Estuary Association Inc. we are concentrating on items in the Consultation Document/Deciding our Long Term Plan 2015-25 that affect the Avon-Heathcote Estuary and it's catchment area.

PAGE 6 BETTER WATER MANAGEMENT - URBAN WATERWAYS

We support the clean up of urban waterways and look forward to the details of the significant work you propose to enable us to comment further. Research published in the March issue of "New Zealand Journal of Marine and Freshwater Research" indicate that without human intervention it could take decades for the environment to recover from earthquake damage.

PAGE 6 NATURAL HABITATS.

Restoring waterway corridors forming "stepping stones' habitats for wildlife will compliment the Christchurch City Council's proposals for the Red Zone along the Avon to improve biodiversity and has our full support.

PAGE 8 KEEPING US SAFE FROM HAZARDS - PAST LAND USE

Identification of potentially contaminated land, including recent illegal dumping of Earthquake generated waste is of major importance and we would like to see the information readily available to the general public and all such sites recorded in the public domain.

PAGE 8 RIVER MANAGEMENT AND FLOOD CONTROL

With recent earthquake related changes to our local rivers, we support any improvements that that will reduce silt and contaminants being washed into the Estuary degrading the water quality.

PAGE 8 COMPLIANCE

We would like Ecan to be proactive in consent and plan compliance rather than relying on the Pollution Hotline after an adverse event.

PAGE 10 IMPROVING WATER QUALITY

We support your proposals to work with local urban communities and councils on better stormwater management and improving waterway health. We support the continuation of the Recreational and Water Quality monitoring programme in the Estuary particularly during the Summer season.

PAGE 19 HAZARDOUS WASTE

This proposal answers some/most of our concerns mentioned above about previous land use, safe disposal of hazardous waste and detailed records to inform/ protect future owners/users/developers.

We wish to be heard in support of our submission.

We appreciate this opportunity to make our submission and look forward to continuing our proactive and collaborative relationship with Environment Canterbury built up over the past 43 years.

Murray Sim Chairman, 9th April 2015 Christchurch Estuary Assn. Inc

What do you want Environment Canterbury to do? See above submission which we look forward to discussing in more detail in person when we attend a hearing in May.