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Your submission Regarding the Long Term Plan 2015 – 2025

I wish to submit on the following sections:

Water Management
Sharing the cost with the community
Setting the rules

What do you want Environment Canterbury to do?

I want Environment Canterbury to do the following:

1: To discontinue the current effluent compliance approach and adopt a zero tolerance policy. This involves strictly punishing all non-compliance with severe fines and naming and shaming all perpetrators in the media.

2: Stop rate rises for urban ratepayers subsidising rural rate payers. For example I live in the Hurunui district and notice that ECan propose rate decreases for rural ratepayers and rate rises for urban rate payers. Considering most of the ECan money being spent in the Hurunui will be related to water management this is not equitable. Rural ratepayers will benefit from this in a much greater way due to increased access to irrigation water and a greater market for their export products.

3: Investigate in an depth manner the relationship between all consented water takes in Canterbury and the interlinked water aquifers, rivers and water tables. For example this summer on my daily commute to work I watched the Ashley River at SH1 bridge disappear to nothing while the 2 dairy farms beside the bridge irrigated continuously for the whole summer even after the river was completely dry. This points to a severe flaw in the current understanding of the above relationship.

4: Strictly monitor all consented water takes and punish non-compliance severely.