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Hello Team

This email came in through our Customer Services email. Can you please workflow?

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Christine

Customer Services

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Your submission

Spend more on improving water quality. Encourage water storage. Be mindful of restrictions/costs which may be incurred or impact on small properties where the ability for the property to be self supporting is restricted because of its size and/or availability of water. Encourage good farming practices but be mindful of adding administrative processes which are not just data gathering with no real purpose behind it.

The costs of any work which has a flow on effect towards improving the health of Lake Ellesmere should be shared across the Canterbury region. Be VERY mindful of river flow minimums. Feel these are set too low at present especially when we hear about the amount of rainfall that could be saved in times of higher flow. Again – encourage water storage. Concerned about the lack of water flow in many smaller streams. Also subsequent ability to 'clean out' water corridors due to lack of 'fresh' water events.

Continue to fund biodiversity projects of all kinds. Among other good outcomes, these are visual signs of where rates are being used.

Transport – support community vehicles in smaller towns and public rail system in, out and around city. Support and encourage district councils to zone residential smaller sections near retail hubs and stop practice of single footpaths. I see increased use of mobility scooters. Support the ability of buses to 'kneel'. Great invention but reliant on bus drivers to activate? Wellington doesn't charge over 65s between 9 am and 3 pm (or thereabouts) on their buses. Fantastic strategy.

What do you want Environment Canterbury to do?

Continue to clean up the air in populated areas. With user pays by region. Support lower income families and people living alone to gain warmer homes. Monitor closely, industrial air pollution. Encourage new farming practices that don't use rural burn-offs in times of restrictive fire status periods.

Keeping us safe – continue as outlined on pg 18.

Setting the Rules – plan English wording. Encourage personal responsibility first through education before cracking down on non compliance. Give people benefit of the doubt. Some are just ignorant of impacts or lack understanding of why decisions are made in a particular way.

District Plan is a minefield of repetition. Consent process needs more examples of what is expected in the level of detail required in a consent.

Feel systems are in place to respond to pollution events but unclear about how they are managed by staff when notified. Unless personally involved in reporting an event it is hard to know whether ECan could be more timely with their responses. But important role.

Keep on top of data management processes. Only gather what has a definite purpose behind it. Not data for data's sake.

Keep up current communication with general public. Your Consultation document is excellent. Clear language, enough white space, good balanced use of colour / spreadsheets / charts. I always read the newsletter that comes in the mail. I use electronic media but still enjoy sitting with book or paper and a cuppa. Laptop on my knee just doesn't have the same feel to it. Keep up printed communication. Plain English, use colour, small 'crisp' articles. Use recycled paper.

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