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In the matter of the preliminary draft Land Use Recovery Plan.

Statement of Interest

We have a strong interest in the preliminary draft Land Use Recovery Plan (the LURP) in terms of how it will frame growth and development in Greater Christchurch. We consider this document to be an important enabling document which will aid the recovery of greater Christchurch post-earthquakes.

Of particular interest is growth within Lincoln Township and Appendix 5, being the amendments to the Selwyn District Plan.

Lincoln University is a major land holder in Lincoln and together with the neighbouring Crown Research Institutes have begun working on the initial planning for a Lincoln Business Hub involving teaching, research, technology transfer and industry. Specifically the initial planning includes a proposed new business park to be located opposite the University on land currently zoned rural (Outer Plains) and a proposed new residential area immediately east of the University. The attached master plan contained in Appendix 1 outlines the proposal.

The proposed development is a significant development and will have huge economic benefits for the Selwyn District, Canterbury and the New Zealand economy. We consider the location of the proposed business and residential development ideal on terms of the location to the University and research facilities.

Confidential preliminary discussions have been had with Selwyn District Council (Planning and Transportation departments), government departments and the Minister for Economic Development, Science and Innovation and Tertiary Education, Skills and Employment, Steven Joyce. Councils Planning Manager has had discussion with Senior Management and the Selwyn District Mayor. All these parties have all indicated their general support for the proposals. General discussions and early consultation has also taken place with the Lincoln community.

Comments on the preliminary draft Land Use Recovery Plan

We hereby make the following specific comments on the LURP;

1. We strongly support the general premise of the LURP and the comprehensive approach taken for the betterment for Greater Christchurch. In particular we support the 'direct implementation of regulatory responses', as it provides greater certainty in terms of resource management process, timeframes and outcomes.
2. We support Priorities 8 and 9 which seek to identify and provide sufficient land for business purposes along with ensuring business land makes best use of land and infrastructure.
3. We seek that Figure 6: Map of Greenfield Priority Areas, page 27 of LURP is amended to include the proposed business area to be included as a LURP priority area for business.
4. We seek that Figure 6: Map of Greenfield Priority Areas, page 27 of LURP is amended to include the proposed residential area as a priority area of residential.
5. We seek that Appendix 6 Map a of the LURP be amended to recognise the proposed business area, as shown in Appendix 1 to this submission be included as a greenfield priority area.
6. We seek that the following changes be made to Appendix 5 to enable the proposed business and residential areas proposed included and the land shown on the attached master plan be recognised for future development.
 - a. The proposed business and residential areas be inserted in Map A and other relevant planning maps and be recognised as a priority area for business and residential development.
 - b. Provision is made for the insertion of a future Outline Development Plan into District Plan.

Concluding Comment

Thank you for the opportunity to provide comment on the LURP. We are encouraged by the progressive and comprehensive nature of the document, particularly the ambitious priorities and means of implementation. We are committed to progressing the proposed business and residential development and look forward to the inclusion of the subject areas into the District Plan.

We ask that our comments be given due consideration.

We also ask that we are kept informed of the progress of the LURP.

Lincoln University

19 April 2013.

Appendix 1: Masterplan Documents

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APPENDIX 1: MASTERPLAN DOCUMENTS