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To the members of the Upper Waitaki Zone Water Management Committee

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Barry Shepherd
Mathew Bayliss
Jay Graybill
Lisa Anderson
Simon Cameron (Chair)
Russell Armstrong
Sandra Hampstead Tipene

Moeraki Representative (vacant)
John Sunckell
John Wilkie
Richard Subtil
Craig Dawson

Notice is given of the Meeting of the Upper Waitaki Water Zone Management Committee to be held on Friday 17 February, 2017, at 9.30am

VENUE: Mackenzie Country Inn, Twizel

BUSINESS: As per agenda attached

WAYNE BARNETT
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL

MICHAEL ROSS
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER, WAITAKI DISTRICT COUNCIL

<p style="text-align: center;">Upper Waitaki Zone Committee Meeting</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Friday 17 February 2017 at 9:30am</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Mackenzie Country Inn, Twizel</p>		
9:00am	Arrive / Cup of tea	
9:30	<p>Standing Items:</p> <p>Apologies, Minutes, Correspondence, Regional Committee update, facilitator update</p>	3
9:50	<p>Zone Committee:</p> <p>Focus for 2017</p> <p>Tracking ZIP Implementation</p>	<p>Nic Newman</p> <p>9</p> <p>11</p>
10:20	<p>Strategic: briefing and discussion</p> <p>Media and effective communications</p> <p>Jet Boating in Upper Waitaki</p>	<p>Sally Rae - ODT</p> <p>Rob Gerard – Jet Boating NZ</p>
11:00	Morning tea	
11:20	ZIP Implementation: Update from Zone Team	Michael Hide
11:30	<p>Strategic: briefing and discussion</p> <p>Waitaki Allocation Plan – how does it work?</p> <p>Infrastructure in South Canterbury – what is happening?</p>	<p>Zella Smith</p> <p>Brett Painter</p>
12:30	<p>Zone Committee:</p> <p>Election of regional committee representative</p>	<p>Nic Newman</p> <p>12</p>
12:40	<p>General Business</p> <p>General Public</p>	

**ENVIRONMENT CANTERBURY
MACKENZIE AND WAITAKI DISTRICT COUNCILS**

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE UPPER WAITAKI ZONE WATER
MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE, HELD AT THE MACKENZIE COUNTRY INN,
TWIZEL, ON DECEMBER 16, 2016 AT 9.31 AM**

PRESENT:

Barry Shepherd (Chair)
Simon Cameron
Sandra Hampstead-Tipene
John Wilkie
Jay Graybill
Craig Dawson
Lisa Anderson 9:30am – 11:08am
John Sunckell
Richard Subtil

IN ATTENDANCE:

Nic Newman, Zone Committee Facilitator
Keri-Ann Little, Committee Administrator, Mackenzie District Council
Ian Lyttle, Environment Canterbury
Michael Hide, Environment Canterbury
Peter Ramsden, Environment Canterbury
John Benn, Department of Conservation
Pat Shuker, Twizel Community Board Member
Devon Christensen, Environment Canterbury
Helen Shaw, Environment Canterbury
Gavin Wills, Member of the Public
Al Williams, Timaru Courier Newspaper

WELCOME:

The Chair welcomed all members and visitors to the meeting and Mr Sunckell, Environment Canterbury Commissioner as a member of the Zone Committee.

Mr Ramsden to shared a karakia.

APOLOGIES:

Resolved: that an apology be received from Mathew Bayliss and Russell Armstrong.

Craig Dawson/ Simon Cameron

MINUTES AND MATTERS ARISING:

Resolved: that the minutes of the meeting held on 18 November 2016, be confirmed and adopted as a correct record with the following corrections.

Chair/ Richard Subtil

Corrections to the minutes:

Should read Simon Cameron was an apology.

Mr Subtil expressed his concern regarding the transfer of waters by Mackenzie Irrigation Company from the Upper Waitaki Zone to another Zone.

Mr Newman said he had asked for a briefing at the next meeting regarding allocation of water, in the Waitaki Allocation Plan. He noted the sale of water shares is via a private company, however the water allocation is Zone business. Clarification was sought regarding the perimeters of operation for the Zone Committee. The Regional Infrastructure Group could provide assistance with an understanding of goals throughout Canterbury and the Water Management Strategy.

Mrs Anderson said Community engagement is essential. She stated several Community members are not fully informed.

Mr Sunckell confirmed the Zone Committee is an advisory committee with no strategy authority, only recommendations to Environment Canterbury and Local Authority are permitted.

Mr Benn added DoC are opposed to water leaving the Zone. He noted discussions regarding this also take place in other meeting forums including Orari Temuka Opihi Pareora Water Zone Management Committee.

The Chairman asked for clarification on the matter.

Craig Dawson informed the Committee the Waitaki District Council had meet with Lake Ohau Residents to address the broom problem and a best way forward regarding a joint attack on the weed.

CORRESPONDENCE:

The Chair noted the following correspondence.

Murray Doak, Irrigation Celebration Fund noted funding was declined from Ministry of Primary Industry for the Willowburn Project. Mr Newman will follow up with the Ministry for the Environment to ask for feedback on why.

Phil Roberts's immediate steps funding article had been completed. He circulated a press release for Committee feedback.

REGIONAL COMMITTEE UPDATE:

The Chairman reported that the Regional Committee noted education of people and Communities must be completed to a higher level and assessment of the information being received.

Mr Subtil reiterated a screen with colour images in the small towns is a good option and communication to the community needs to be improved.

Mr Newman will extend an invitation to the new ECan Communications Manager to attend a Zone meeting to discuss a way forward using new methods.

FACILATATOR UPDATE:

Mr Newman provided an update from the Upper Waitaki Zone including critical things needed to deliver the CWMS targets in the zone, what had been achieved/advanced over the last 6 years, what is currently being worked on and the challenges associated and ideas for what the Regional Committee could do to add value the Zone.

ZONE COMMITTEE:

The purpose of the report was to elect a chair and deputy chair for the Upper Waitaki Zone Committee Meeting and a Regional Committee representative.

Mr Newman spoke to the report outlining roles of the Chairperson, Deputy Chairperson and Regional Committee representative

Election of Chairperson

Mr Newman called for nominations for Chairperson of the Upper Waitaki Zone Water Management Committee.

Jay Graybill nominated Richard Subtil and Barry Shepherd seconded the nomination.

Richard Subtil declined the nomination. Thanked the Zone Committee for their support but stated Family and farming commitments would prevent him being able to fully commit to the role.

Richard Subtil nominated Simon Cameron and seconded by Lisa Anderson

Unanimous and carried.

Simon Cameron was declared Chairperson of the Upper Waitaki Zone Water Management Committee.

Election of Deputy Chairperson

Lisa Anderson nomination Mathew Bayliss and seconded by Simon Cameron

Unanimous and carried.

Mathew Bayliss was declared Deputy Chairperson of the Upper Waitaki Zone Water Management Committee.

Regional Committee Representative

The Chairman outlined the responsibilities of the representative reiterated by Mr Sunckell.

Richard Subtil nominated John Wilkie

Mr Wilkie thanked Mr Subtil for his support but declined the nomination.

Mr Newman agreed the nomination of this representative will be deferred until early in the New Year and will liaise with Mr Cameron and Mr Shepherd to insure a representative attends the first Regional Committee meeting of 2017.

ZIP DELIVERY: Plan Change 5 Reply:

The purpose of Ms Christensen's report was to update the Zone on the Plan Change 5 Section 42A Reply Report.

The principle issues addressed in the Reply Report, relevant to the Upper Waitaki Zone were outlined in Ms Christensen's report. At the Reply Hearing on the 12th of December 2016 the Hearing Commissioners asked questions of the Hearing Officers regarding the content of the Reply Report. The Hearing Commissioners then deliberated the final recommended amendments to Plan Change 5.

Ms Christensen highlighted the recommended provisions for Zone Members information.

Next step the panel will consider the recommended changes and a decision will be notified in February 2017.

ZONE COMMITTEE: Feedback on Draft Annual Report:

Mr Newman asked for the Committees feedback on the draft annual report.

Mr Cameron highlighted Lake Middleton was excluded.

Lisa Anderson suggested personalisation of the photos in the report will improve audience capturing and the use of before and after images including data would be effective.

Mr Graybill asked the Committee to refer to restoration in the report opposed to enhancement.

Mr Newman said he will receive any further feedback via email.

A School project was suggested encouraging community involvement. Mr Newman will discuss this idea with a Schools Co-ordinator at ECan.

The Committee adjourned for morning tea at 11:05am and reconvened at 11:22am.

STRATEGIC DISCUSSION: Wairepo Creek:

Mr Newman assisted by a PowerPoint map asked the Committee for discussion and direction regarding an issue of Willow trees encroaching where Wairepo Creek enters Wairepo arm. West Edge Station owner Henry Williamson would like the Committee's support to approach Land Information New Zealand (LINZ) regarding negotiations to a resolution to the problem.

Mr Newman noted LINZ are the landowner and had indicated a cost issue and stated there is not a problem with the willow trees. Mr Newman confirmed the Willow Trees are causing flooding of the land which is then being grazed resulting in run off entering Wairepo Arm.

The Committee suggested a conversation with LINZ and Mr Williamson would be supported. If the matter is not resolved discussions with ECan were recommended.

STRATEGIC DISCUSSIONS: Managing Visitor Impacts:

Mr Newman tabled a draft invitation to Jacqui Dean Member of Parliament for Waitaki inviting her to a committee meeting early in 2017.

ZIP DELIVERY: Summary of Compliance Monitoring:

The purpose of Mr Hide's report was to provide the Zone Committee with a summary of the monitoring results for the Upper Waitaki Zone for 2015/2016.

Attached to the report was the UWZ monitoring report 2015/2016.

Mr Hide spoke to the report providing information regarding the 162 consents monitored, results found and enforcement action taken. Total pollution reports by category were also highlighted in the report.

ZIP DELIVERY: Monthly Verbal Update on Actions:

Mr Hide reported signs for Lower Willowburn will be positioned this afternoon.

- Traffic counter for a week at Willowburn from Waitaki district council
- Willowburn Station fencing off wetland and stream good progress made
- Salmon Farms no change aqua enviro plan submitted waiting for approval
- RMO's finished water data processing now just into dairy shed effluent.
- Water permits and consents in Omarama catchment reviewed by Officers
- An abatement notice been issued to a Farm until consent had been granted and Investigation ascertain if prosecution for breaking discharge rules.
- Next year Bill Bayfield will announce "NCheck" an alternative to oversee module "NCheck" provides questions farmers can answer and gives indications to nutrients loss. Investigate this Zone applying for the use of the system.
- Nutrient management rules regional push for outstanding consents.
- Approval for extra resourcing for an additional Zone Manager.

GENERAL BUSINESS: Omarama Stream

Helen Shaw provided background regarding foam. Ms Shaw was aided by a PowerPoint presentation outlined what causes the foam and water quality monitoring. She noted this was not highly concerning at this stage and the foam was natural, she did add however it is a concern if it occurs every day as reported.

NEXT MEETING:

The next meeting will be on Friday 17 February 2017 at the Mackenzie Country Inn in Twizel.

Mr Ramsden shared a karakia to close the meeting.

Mr Graybill condoned Mr Shepherd service to the Committee and Regional Committee. He said Mr Shepherd had been an excellent representor of the Zone Committee.

Mr Shepherd thanked all members, adding he enjoyed working with all members and noted the Zone's high achievement.

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS
THE CHAIRMAN DECLARED THE MEETING CLOSED AT 12:25PM**

CHAIRMAN: _____
DATE: _____

Unconfirmed

AGENDA ITEM NO:	SUBJECT MATTER: Focus for 2017
REPORT BY: Nic Newman	
DATE OF MEETING: 17 th February, 2017	

Purpose: to enable the Zone Committee to confirm its focus for 2017 and meeting details

Action required: the committee discusses its focus for the year and confirms meeting details

A – Focus for upcoming year

Committee members are encouraged to share their own views on focus for the year and agree on a small number of focus areas.

Some of the context for 2017 includes: ZIP implementation is underway from a range of parties, decisions on Plan Change 5 are expected, science investigations are ongoing, and lessons from the integrated monitoring network pilot catchment will be forthcoming.

B – Proposed meeting details

Committee meetings:

- Meet on the third Friday of each month
- In Twizel at the Mackenzie Country Inn, unless associated with a field trip (see below)
- Structure meetings around updates on ZIP Implementation from a range of parties, and discussion on the strategic areas of focus

Suggested Field Trips:

- Have regular field trips, followed by a shorter monthly meeting
- Take the opportunity to see work going on in the zone and connect with community
- Proposed field trips and meeting locations
 1. Otematata Wetlands – community restoration work / Otematata
 2. A station in the Tekapo area– small blocks of irrigation on extensive properties / Tekapo

3. Lake Ohau – science investigations / Lake Ohau Village
4. Lower Willowburn – progress update on stream rehabilitation project / Omarama

AGENDA ITEM NO:	SUBJECT MATTER: ZIP Implementation Tracking
REPORT BY: Nic Newman	
DATE OF MEETING: 17 th February, 2017	

Purpose: To provide an overview of ZIP Implementation in the zone and to receive feedback on a format for tracking implementation. Format will be tabled at the Zone Committee meeting.

Context

The **role** of the Zone Committee is to develop actions and tactics, with its community to deliver on the CWMS in the zone, and to oversee the implementation of these actions and tactics. The Zone committee has now **produced** a Zone Implementation Programme and an addendum, which contain recommended actions and tactics.

The **purpose** of the format (to be tabled) is to **assist the zone committee** to look across the delivery of key implementation work-streams across a number of agencies. Some of these workstreams may require committee leadership and problem solving.

AGENDA ITEM NO:	SUBJECT MATTER: Election of Regional Committee representative
REPORT BY: Nic Newman	
DATE OF MEETING: 17 th February, 2017	

Action Required:

The committee elects its representative to the regional committee

Background

The Regional Committee takes a regional perspective to the CWMS. It meets every second month and progresses work through working groups.

The role of the regional representative is to contribute to the regional committee work and to represent the Upper Waitaki Zone Committee in regional discussions.

The dates of the regional committee meetings are: 09/02, 12/04, 14/06, 09/08, 11/10, 13/12. These meetings are usually held in Christchurch.