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Biodiversity and Biosecurity Comments

Please provide any comments.

The Mackenzie Basin is made up of glacial derived ecosystems that are not found anywhere else in New Zealand (or the world). The Basin alone is home to 68 rare and endangered species of birds and plants.

The Mackenzie Agreement signed in 2013 recommended the Minister of Conservation and relevant councils protect 100,000 ha of the Mackenzie Basin as a dryland park. Unfortunately since then more of the golden tussock land of the Basin has become fields of artificial green pasture.

Environment Canterbury, as part of the LTP 2018-28, should give a Mackenzie Basin Dryland Park the utmost priority and take every effort to ensure it comes to fruition. (Note: I am aware of the Mackenzie report released in February 2018.)

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