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Whole Plan Comments

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I am very concerned about the extent of current quarrying operations in the district, and even more concerned about the development of further operations in the near future. Quarrying impacts on air quality, water quality and general quality of life for anyone unlucky enough to live near by. The current quarrying facilities at West Coast road, Yaldhurst and Wards road are basically unregulated. ECAN openly admits it does not have the resources or manpower to effectively monitor these quarries, but this funding must be found. There is no point placing stipulations on how quarries function if there is no monitoring or enforcement.

It is also vital that appropriate setbacks are introduced. Dr Alistair Humphreys states that the minimum setback for dust pollution is 1km, and this is currently the minimum requirement in Australia. It is likely that to avoid pollution of ground water a setback of far more than 1km would be necessary. But let's start with 1km and go up from there.

Please ECAN, please resist the pressure for more quarrying, and please enforce the requirements already supposedly in place to control the pollution and harm from currently operating quarrying processes.