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Subject:

Submissions to ECAN Long Term Plan

I would like to submit some brief comments on ECAN Long Term Plan:

- 1 First of all to support the move towards a Zero Carbon Act, and I would like to take the opportunity to congratulate ECAN for its decision to oppose oil drilling in 2017.
- 2 Then I would like to point out that the most urgent issue facing not only the region, but the Country and the whole World is climate change and everything we propose to do must be examined for its likely impact on climate change ECAN must work on behalf of the people of the region and take a leadership role in mitigating the effects of climate change;

More resources are needed to further the Canterbury climate change integration strategy

- 3 Equally high on the list of priorities should be the issue of loss of biodiversity and perhaps it should be pointed out that preserving what's there is less expensive that attempting restoration later.
- 4 Why do water use consents get passed on to new owners in spite of changes in use (example: irrigation permit for an organic farm which is later sold and becomes a dairy farm or a water bottling plant). Water use consents should be reviewed whenever there is a change of use of the land (whether or not there is a change of ownership)
- 5 Monitoring of a wider range of farming operations must be undertaken, not only of the ones currently considered 'high risk'.

I would like to have the opportunity to present an oral submission as well.

Please advise me re: the process for this.

Thank you for your time

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