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Environment Canterbury LTP submission 2018 – 28

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We wish to be heard.

Our submission asks the question of whether the activities of Environment Canterbury can be delivered in a more cost effective way. In our experience the operations of Environment Canterbury are delivering:

- 1. A strongly regulated freshwater management planning regime that is complex and resource hungry. Poor planning outcomes and unintended consequences are proving difficult and costly to remedy.
- 2. A biodiversity planning framework that is not supported by the rural community and fails to empower landowners and local councils in efforts to protect biodiversity on private land.
- 3. A mapping approach to wetlands and Draft river bed lines that is proving controversial and costly both to Environment Canterbury & affected landowners.
- 4. Pest management operations that through an inconsistent inspection regime are adding a significant cost burden to Environment Canterbury and individual landowners.

We would like to discuss with Councillors & Commissioners some options for achieving successful outcomes in a more cost effective way.

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