

**81<sup>ST</sup> ORDINARY MEETING OF THE  
SELWYN-WAIHORA ZONE COMMITTEE  
TO BE HELD AT THE  
LINCOLN EVENTS CENTRE  
ON TUESDAY 3 APRIL 2018  
AT 2.00 PM**

"If there is magic on this planet, it is contained in water..."

**Loran Eisely, US Author**



## 81st<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Selwyn Waihora Zone Committee - Outline of Agenda

**DATE:** TUESDAY 3 April 2018

**TIME:** 2:00pm – 5:15pm

**VENUE:** Baylis Lounge, Lincoln Events Centre, 15 Meijer Drive, Lincoln 7608

Item	Time	Description		Presenter
	2:00pm	Meeting commences with karakia and formal order of business: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Apologies</li> <li>• Identification of Urgent General Business</li> <li>• Confirmation of minutes 06 March 2018</li> <li>• Matters Arising &amp; actions from last meeting</li> <li>• Report to and from Regional Committee Meeting (Karaitiana Taiuru)</li> <li>• Update from Zone Committee members on activities and meetings attended that relate to the Committee's outcomes for the zone</li> </ul>		
	2:20pm	General Public Contribution		
1	2:25pm	Terms of Reference for "Plan for Selwyn River" Working Group		Paul Hodgen
	3:10pm	BREAK		
2	3:30pm	"Building Trust" Sustainable Farming Fund project		Andrew Curtis, Irrigation New Zealand
3	3:55pm	Environment Canterbury's monitoring industrial compliance		Katie Nagy, Selwyn Waihora Zone Team
4	4:15pm	Sustainable Hill Farming Tool (SHiFT) project		Anna Veltman, Environment Canterbury
5	4:25pm	Zone Facilitator's Report including: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• "submission" relating to future of SDC stock water races;</li> <li>• Revised Zone Committee work programme</li> </ul>		Ian Whitehouse, Environment Canterbury
	5:15pm	<b>Approximate finish time</b>		



**MINUTES OF THE 80TH MEETING OF THE SELWYN WAIHORA ZONE COMMITTEE  
HELD AT SELWYN DISTRICT COUNCIL, 2 NORMAN KIRK DRIVE, ROLLESTON, ON  
TUESDAY 6 MARCH 2018 COMMENCING AT 12:00 PM**

**AGENDA SUMMARY**

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	12.00pm	Meeting commences with karakia and formal order of business: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Apologies</li> <li>• Identification of Urgent General Business</li> <li>• Confirmation of minutes 13 February 2018</li> <li>• Matters Arising &amp; actions from last meeting</li> <li>• Report to and from Regional Committee Meeting (Karaitiana Taiuru)</li> <li>• Update from Zone Committee members on activities and meetings attended that relate to the Committee's outcomes for the zone</li> </ul>		
	12.20pm	General Public Contribution		
1.	12.25pm	Potential future of the Selwyn District Council Water Race Network		<i>Murray England, Selwyn District Council</i>
	<b>1.00pm</b>	<b>Approximate finish time</b>		

Committee Members will now embark on a field visit

The meeting was opened with a welcome and karakia by Karaitiana Taiuru Te Rūnanga Representative from Koukourārata.

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting

## **PRESENT**

Allen Lim (Chair), Cr Murray Lemon (Selwyn District Council), Cr Iaeen Cranwell (Canterbury Regional Council), Megan Hands (Community Member), Ron Pellow (Community member), Paul Hodgson (Community Member), Maree Goldring (Community Member), George Tikao (Te Rūnanga o Ōnuku), Karaitiana Taiuru (Te Rūnanga o Koukourārata), Les Wanhalla (Te Rūnanga o Taumutu), and Matiu Payne (Te Rūnanga Ngāti Wheke).

## **IN ATTENDANCE**

Cr Tom Lambie, Cr John Sunckell, Chris House, Ian Whitehouse, Johannes Welsch, Stephen Bragg, Sandy Bowman (Canterbury Regional Council); Murray England (Selwyn District Council); John Benn, Daniel Kimber (DOC); Craig Tikao, Tony Benny

## **APOLOGIES**

Apologies received from Councillor Anne Galloway (Christchurch City Council), Victor Mthamo (Community Member) were accepted by the meeting.

**Moved:** Maree Goldring /**Seconded:** Councillor Murray Lemon

*That the Committee accept apologies for absence as noted.*

**CARRIED**

## **IDENTIFICATION OF URGENT GENERAL BUSINESS**

Johannes Welsch brought to the attention of the committee that an invite would be sent out inviting them to attend a workshop on the 5<sup>th</sup> April, at Lincoln Event Centre, 9:00am – 12:00pm, to outline scope for the Zone Youth Committee meeting in October.

## **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES**

**Minutes of the 79<sup>th</sup> Meeting of the Selwyn Waihora Zone Committee (Water Management) held on Tuesday 13 February 2018.**

*(Refer pages 2-10)*

Two amendments:

- *Page 4, Update from Zone Committee Members, Allen Lim, meeting with CEO of Horticulture New Zealand (Not Water NZ).*
- *Correct spelling of Karaitiana Taiuru's name (page 6)*

**Moved:** Karaitiana Taiuru / **Seconded:** Les Wanhalla

*That the minutes of the 79<sup>th</sup> meeting of the Selwyn Waihora Zone Committee (Water Management) held on Tuesday 13 February 2018, be confirmed.*

**CARRIED**

## **MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES**

Ron Pellow highlighted that the ZIP addendum discussion from last month's meeting regarding monitoring/achievements/tracking/expected outcomes was not included in the 'Actions from Meeting' (page 10). The Committee to have updates from ECan.

## **REPORT TO AND FROM REGIONAL WATER MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE MEETING**

No update as the Regional Committee meeting is on Tuesday 13 March and will be reported at the next Selwyn-Waihora zone committee meeting.

## **UPDATE FROM ZONE COMMITTEE MEMBERS ON ACTIVITIES AND MEETINGS ATTENDED THAT RELATE TO THE COMMITTEE'S OUTCOMES FOR THE ZONE**

Zone committee members reported on meetings attended that relate to the work of the zone committee including:

Paul Hodgson – talked with people who may be on the working group developing a plan for Selwyn River.

Ron Pellow – queried whether there would be a TOR for this working group and the facilitator responded that this would be brought to the April zone meeting. Ron helped host a Lincoln University Dairy Farm focus day and approximately 250 people attended.

Maree Goldring – Rakaia Catchment Fund did not meet as no applications received.

Iaeen Cranwell – The Regional Council had discussed the Te Waihora - wet pasture vs wetlands issue. Tami Woods indicated at last meeting that an invite would be sent to all of the committee to attend, if they wish, a workshop to discuss this issue in the next couple of weeks.

George Tikao – gave a quick outline of the history of the Te Waihora wetlands and strongly opposed creating wetland areas around the lake, but emphasised to maintain the current ones.

Les Wanhalla – Visited Bathurst coal mine. Attended a community meeting on Yarrs Lagoon hosted by Living Water and DOC. Iaeen Cranwell and Murray Lemon also attended this meeting.

## GENERAL PUBLIC CONTRIBUTION

No Public contribution

### 1. POTENTIAL FUTURE OF THE SELWYN DISTRICT COUNCIL WATER RACE NETWORK

(Murray England, Selwyn District Council)

In summary, Murray England noted the following points for information of the Committee:

- Water Races have been operating for over 100 years and had been the backbone of agriculture in the District. Significant changes have been occurring, such as development of CPW irrigation scheme, that impact on the future of the water race scheme.
- As water races close the rating base to fund them reduces so more of the costs need to be met by public good.
- Currently the public good contribution is about \$20 per householder per year across the District. To maintain priority races this would need to increase by \$50 – 60 as non-priority races close.
- Christchurch City Council do not wish to close races that cross into their area.
- On the Strategic Water Races map provided – the Priority 1 (red lines) and Priority 2 (orange lines) to be kept open, but happy to close the races indicated on the green lines.
- Races provide corridor 'mountain to sea' and this process is a starting point of the journey.
- Timeline for Selwyn District Council for Long Term Plan – Consultation in April and Hearing in May 2018.

Discussion by Committee Members

- Les Wanhalla – asked about consultation with Te Taumutu prior to closing water races. Murray said this was done through the Taumutu office. Les said he was keen to be involved.
- Megan Hands – Community Board feedback has been about the importance of maintaining connectivity: more discussion and quite a lot of feedback to come.
- Paul Hodgson – queried whether closing water races will have affects downstream and to weigh up the consequences.
- Ron Pellow – there is significant “loss” of water from the races into the ground with about 95% of the water going into the groundwater system . Ron asked whether



“public good” contribution should come from more than just Selwyn District householders.

- Ian Whitehouse – zone committee to consider providing feedback to Selwyn District Council. Possibly by submitting on Long Term Plan. Will provide EOS report to committee.

## GENERAL BUSINESS

The meeting closed at 1:05 pm with a karakia.

DATED this                      day of                      2018

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**CHAIR**

**ACTIONS FROM MEETING**

<b>Name</b>	<b>Action</b>
Living Water	Update at a future meeting regarding their work
ECan / Fish and Game	List of potential Fish and Game sites to visit and staff to present to the Committee
ECan	Marae visit and potential overnight stay for the Committee
ECan Facilitator	Provide EOS report to committee
ECan	Provide progress report against ZIP Addendum (and Selwyn Te Waihora Plan) outcomes/targets
ECan Facilitator	Update Zone Committee's 2018 work programme for April meeting

AGENDA ITEM NO: 1	SUBJECT MATTER: Terms of Reference and membership for “Plan for Selwyn River” Working Group
COVER PAGE BY: Ian Whitehouse, Environment Canterbury	DATE OF MEETING: 03 April 2018

**Action required:**

- Agree the membership and Terms of Reference for the Zone Committee’s Working Group to develop a Plan for the Waikirikiri/Selwyn River.

**Background**

At the February meeting, Paul Hodgen made a presentation to the zone committee – see attached – outlining his thoughts on the need to develop a Plan for the Selwyn River.

The committee agreed to establish a Working Group to develop such a plan.

Four committee members indicated they would be on the Working Group: Paul, Iaeen Cranwell, Les Wanhalla and Ron Pellow.

Paul Hodgen has talked with some other people who he believes should be on the Working Group. Some of these people have confirmed their interest, others are waiting until the Terms of Reference are agreed by the committee.

A Terms of Reference for the Working Group has been prepared for the committee’s consideration.

**Attachments:**

1. Proposed Terms of Reference
2. “A Plan for the Selwyn River” – Presentation by Paul Hodgen to zone committee, 13 February 2018.



## Selwyn River/Waikirikiri Plan Working Group

### Terms of Reference (to be discussed by Zone Committee on 03 April 2018)

#### Introduction

Improvement is needed in the state of Selwyn River/Waikirikiri River.

The Selwyn Te Waihora Plan sets out rules and limits for the river and catchment. The Selwyn Waihora ZIP and ZIP Addendum identify other actions to improve the waterways in the catchment.

The Waikirikiri/Selwyn River Near River recharge project will provide water from CPW to augment flows in the lower Selwyn River during dry periods. The Snake Creek Restoration project will restore waterways in one of the lowland tributaries of the river. The ECan Zone Team is working with farmers in Silverstream to reduce runoff of sediment, phosphorus and microbial contaminants to the river. In the upper catchment, Immediate Steps Biodiversity funding has supported wetland and riparian protection. There are many other local restoration projects planting natives around wetlands and waterways.

Notwithstanding all these projects, there is no “plan” for improving the Waikirikiri/Selwyn River and some people are frustrated that not enough is being done fast enough to get a “healthy” Selwyn River.

#### Establishment

The Working Party as established by the Selwyn Waihora Zone Committee at its meeting on 03 April, 2018.

#### Membership

The Working Group comprises the following:

Zone Committee members: Paul Hodgson (Group Lead), Les Wanhalla, Ron Pellow, Iaeen Cranwell  
Other people: ECan - Tim Davie; UC Waterways Centre for Freshwater Management - Katie Nimmo, Fish and Game - Scott Pearson, Forest and Bird, SWWIM, Farmer(s), Rūnanga, DoC, Community members

#### Purpose

The Working Party will prepare a plan to restore the Waikirikiri/Selwyn River back to the 1950-60's that:

- Describes the attributes and values of the river, including catchment values where these relate to the river;
- Identifies the “desired” state of the river that provides for these attributes and values;
- Identifies the gap between the current state of the river and the “desired” state;
- Identifies what needs to be done, in addition to current activities, to get to the “desired” state.

The purpose of the plan is to pick up the unresolved issues from the Selwyn Water seminars hosted in 2017 by the zone committee and to propose recommendations, if required to get to the desired outcome of a healthy ecosystem, a healthy Waikirikiri/Selwyn River with healthy people. The community needs a better understanding of the tough realities to make informed decisions on behalf of our grandchildren's children.

It is envisaged that the draft versions of the following meeting outcomes may be available by December 2018 for the Zone Committee's consideration along with interim updates for:

1. Requirements for a healthy ecosystem.
2. Requirements for a healthy Waikirikiri/Selwyn River with healthy people.
3. What the river was like in the 1950's – 60's.
4. Possible outlines on how to achieve the desired state recommended by the working group for the Waikirikiri/Selwyn River.

### **Role and responsibilities**

The working group will:

- Build on work done to date including the development of the ZIP Addendum and Selwyn Te Waihora Plan;
- Recognise and document all projects and other work underway to improve Waikirikiri/Selwyn River;
- Not seek to change the rules and limits in the Selwyn Te Waihora Plan nor justify current rules and limits;
- Provide recommendations without fear or favour;
- Give consideration to and balance the interests of all water interests in the zone in debate and decision-making;
- Work in a collaborative and co-operative manner using best endeavours to reach solutions that take account of the interests of all sectors of the community;
- Make decisions by consensus and where consensus can't be achieved document the issue;
- See if it's possible to establish a green corridor from the lake to the foot hills.
- Minutes of meetings of the Working Group will be provided to all Selwyn Waihora Zone Committee members and regular updates provided at their Zone Committee meetings.

The project is designed to pick up and address community concerns not answered by the seminar series. It is also designed to document what is currently being done, identify if any new projects need to be initiated, and to ensure that adequate monitoring is put in place so that the progress of each project can be monitored. The plan, after Selwyn Te Waihora community consultation, will then become the contract between the Selwyn Waihora Zone Committee and the Selwyn Te Waihora community in the Selwyn Zone. The Selwyn Te Waihora community want the opportunity to shape the plan for their river. This plan needs to be a living document that can be changed/updated as required.

### **Outline of proposed work outcomes**

Plan development phases:

- a. Detail the ideal environmental requirements for a healthy ecosystem.
- b. Detail the intrinsic and Mahinga Kai values of the Selwyn River.

- c. Detail what state the Waikirikiri/Selwyn River was back in the 1950's -60's.
- d. Based on the investigation, propose what the desired state should be for the Waikirikiri/Selwyn River.
- e. Propose draft recommendations to achieve the desired state.
- f. Present the findings and consult the Selwyn Te Waihora community to seek their views both on the draft plan and the implications of the plan.
- g. Finalise the plan based on community feedback and present to the Selwyn Waihora Zone Committee for their consideration.

### **Timetable**

The Working Group will provide draft reports, with recommendations, by December 2018 for the Zone Committee's on:

1. Requirements for a healthy ecosystem.
2. Requirements for a healthy Waikirikiri/Selwyn River with healthy people.
3. What the river was like in the 1950's – 60's.
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In 2019 the Working Group will consult with the community and finalise the plan.

There will be about 1 meeting per month, 4-6 meetings in total. Each meeting will be about 2 hrs to address the 4 different topics above. There will be a final meeting to review all the collated information from the previous meetings before presenting to the Selwyn Waihora Zone Committee.

### **Support for the Working Group**

Environment Canterbury will provide support, where it has available resources and information, in relation to:

- Assistance with meetings;
- Access to reports and monitoring information.

The Working Group will, within three months of establishment, develop an outline of its meeting schedule (including meetings with communities and key interests) and use this to discuss with Environment Canterbury the assistance that could be provided for these meetings.

The Working Group will, within three months of establishment, develop an initial list of Environment Canterbury reports, information and monitoring data that it wishes to have and use this list to discuss with Environment Canterbury what can be provided and when.

Environment Canterbury can supply existing information but if there is science work that is needed to be done (e.g. analysis of data or modelling) then it would have to go through a prioritisation exercise in the Environment Canterbury Science Group and may not be able to be provided.





# A plan for the Selwyn River

Paul Hodgson

What do people want for the river?

- Rightly or wrongly people assume that the Zone Committee has a plan for the river.
- That this plan uses all the available science and meets the community's needs.
- That the community's needs have been defined.
- That the community has been consulted.

## Why are we in such a pickle at the moment?

- Nobody believes what the Zone Committee says.
- It does appear that we haven't consulted the community and asked them what they want.
- It doesn't appear that the characteristics and values for the Selwyn River have been defined.

## A case in point are Nitrate levels

- The real problem from a biodiversity perspective is that the nitrate levels are too high in the drains, streams and lowland rivers.
- What should it be 0.2, 0.55, 0.8, 3.8, 5.65, 8, or 11.3 mg/l ?

## Have the right big hairy goals been set? Are they monitored? Will they be achieved?

The following sustainable water management priority outcomes have been identified by the Selwyn Waihora Zone Committee:

- Thriving communities and sustainable economies.
- High quality and secure supplies of drinking water.
- Good ~~Best~~ practice nutrient and water management.
- Kaitiakitanga is integrated into water management in the Zone.
- Healthy lowland streams.
- Te Waihora is a healthy ecosystem.
- Hill-fed waterways support aquatic life and recreation.
- Alpine rivers and high country values are protected.
- Enhanced Indigenous Biodiversity across the Zone.

## What are the goals and how will we know when we get there?

- The goals need to be outcome based to build resilience into the Selwyn River.
- They need to meet the SMART criteria.
- They need to be reported on a regular basis.
- They need to be communicated in plain speak to the wider community.

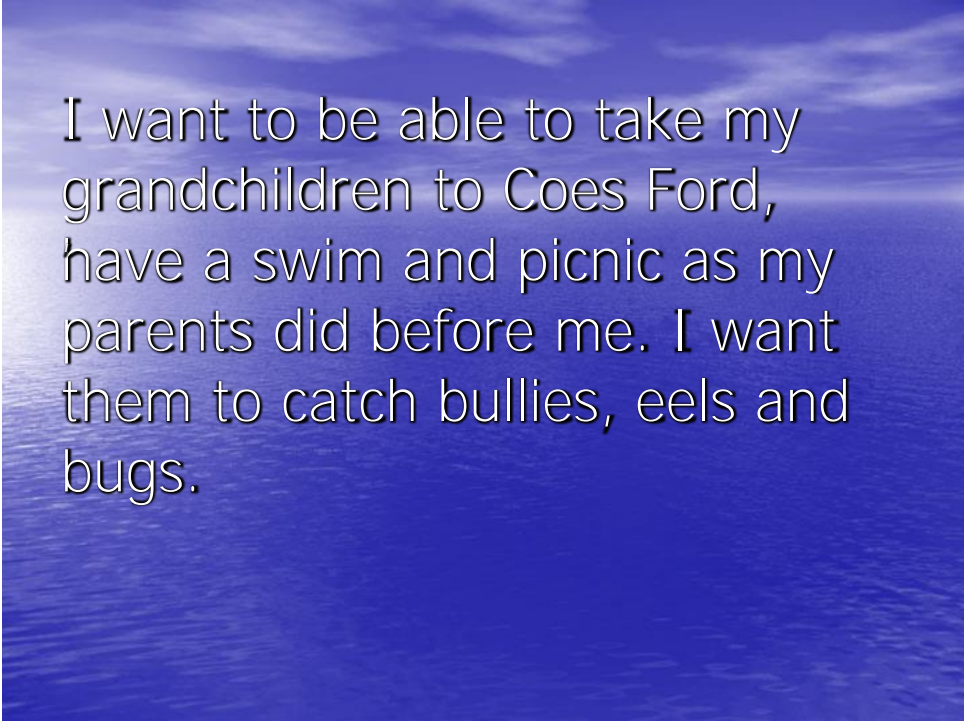


## What should the steps be?

- Get a group together.
- Define the requirements for the Selwyn River.
- Consult in a meaningful way with the community.
- Develop a plan.
- Monitor the goals in the plan and corrective actions if required.

## Value added questions

- A win - win scenario needs to become the bottom line for environmental decisions, for all parties involved.
- **If you don't take the community with you, nothing has been achieved.**



I want to be able to take my grandchildren to Coes Ford, have a swim and picnic as my parents did before me. I want them to catch bullies, eels and bugs.



AGENDA ITEM NO: 3	SUBJECT MATTER: Industrial Compliance Monitoring Update
REPORT BY: Katie Nagy, Environment Canterbury	DATE OF MEETING: 03 April 2018

**Action required:**

- Note the presentation on industrial compliance monitoring in the Selwyn Waihora Zone

**Purpose:**

The purpose of this report is to provide the Selwyn Waihora Zone Committee with an overview of Environment Canterbury's compliance monitoring approach and an update of compliance monitoring of industrial consents in the zone.

**Background:**

Of the approximately 24,000 resource consents in Canterbury, about 6,000 are granted for activities within the Selwyn Waihora Zone, so it is not possible without considerable cost to monitor every consent every year. The consents that we monitor are based on risk – accounting for the scale of the activity, the potential environmental effects and previous compliance history. Community priorities and Zone Committee expectations are also key components in deciding which areas and activities are monitored.

The presentation will cover:

- An overview of compliance monitoring in the Selwyn Waihora Zone
- How priorities are set
- Types of industrial activities
- How non-compliances are resolved
- Some Selwyn Waihora Zone industrial monitoring examples





## Sustainable Farming Fund: 'Building Trust'

### *Project Focus*

Open and honest information providing an opportunity for communities, farmers and other stakeholders to learn and discover about the state of their environment and what the community is doing to enhance it/ address issues.

### *Issues/ Opportunities*

- **Data rich environment** - There is a growing amount of data being collected but much of this is not easily visible – includes FEP's but also Water Quality & Water Take monitoring data
- **It will take time before we see improvements in the environment** - There are time-lags in the system so it will take time before we see improvements in many areas – we need to demonstrate change is occurring in the interim
- **Mis-information** – we are in the age of 'social media science' and need a catchment 'source of truth' for practice change, such as [www.lawa.org.nz](http://www.lawa.org.nz) currently provides for regional council monitoring data
- **Who should own/ be responsible for providing information** – we need to avoid undermining the momentum that has been built through collectives – many farmers still lack trust in the regulator that they will use any data collected appropriately
- **Better targeting support and resources to where it's needed** – how do we best use farmer/ grower funds (levy/ fees/ membership and rates)

### *Solution & Steps*

- Multi-stakeholder approach to build trust
- Determine who will 'own the project' in the long-term
- Understand the range of data available
- Test how the community wants to 'learn and discover'
- Publicise information availability using multiple channels

### *Technology Solution & Steps*

- Automate data gathering from multiple sources
- Hold data in a secure 'vault' with permissions attached to it
- Use data analysis tools to turn 'data' into 'information' (within the constraints of the permissions)
- Provide channel(s) for community to 'learn and discover'



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## *Sediment Loss on Hills*

# *SHiFT Project*

### *(Sustainable Hill Farming Tool)*

*Zone Delivery Research Project -  
Regional and national focus*

*Land Management Advisor - Anna Veltman*

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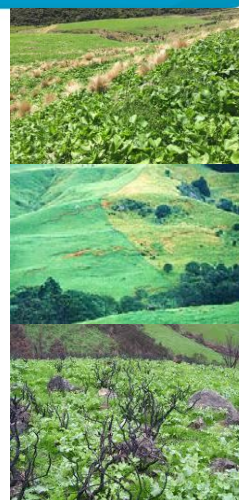
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## *SHiFT Project context*

### *Canterbury & elsewhere*

- *Dairy expansion, forestry*  
→ *replacing beef +sheep farming on plains & rolling downs*
- *Sheep and beef farming*  
→ *resilience & viability*  
↑ *productivity from smaller footprint*  
↑ *more highly productive pastures*



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## SHiFT Project context

### Canterbury & elsewhere

**Issue:** *Sediment losses off hills → contributes to reduced water quality in our waterways*

- soil disturbance on steep slopes
- **esp winter feed crops (fodder / kale / rape)**
- using conventional cultivation
- using heli-spraying

**Solutions:** *range of actions (e.g.)*

- careful selection of sites to develop
- options for grazing off winterfeed crops during rain events / use of wintering pads
- identifying and protecting Critical Source Areas (CSAs)
- maintenance of broader riparian strips



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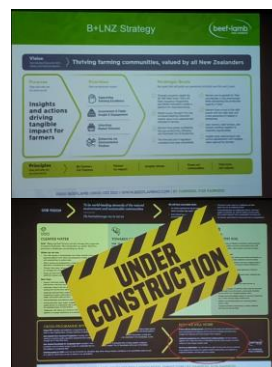


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## SHiFT Project (Sustainable Hill Farming Tool)

- ECan, Federated Farmers & B+LNZ working together
- ECan-led, MfE endorsement and funding for 18 mths
- National focus
- Project Outcome – create *decision tool* to aid farmers as they consider development of hill country blocks



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### Project SHiFT (Jan 2018 – June 2019)

Stage 1  
Farmer  
Survey


Stage 2  
Literature  
Search

Stage 3  
Farmer  
Decision Tool

Stage 4  
Case Study

Stage 5  
MfE Report

- Stages 1 & 2 underway – report findings June/July**
- Stage 1 – Farmer Survey**
  - starting now
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- Farmer Decision Tool Application**
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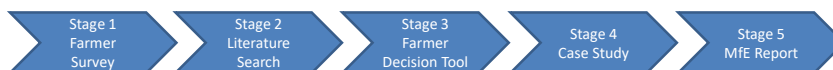


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AGENDA ITEM NO: 5	SUBJECT MATTER: <b>Zone Facilitator's Report</b>
REPORT BY: Ian Whitehouse, Environment Canterbury	DATE OF MEETING: 03 April 2018

### **Action required**

1. Agree to a "submission" to the Selwyn District Long Term Plan on stockwater races;
2. Register for the one-day symposium for all zone committee members on 09 April;
3. Note updated zone committee work programme.

### **1 Submission on stockwater races**

Murray England, Selwyn District Council, briefed the committee at its March meeting on the high ecological and aesthetic values of parts of the Council's stockwater race system. He indicated that the Council was finding it harder and harder, as races were closed, to fund the stockwater system. He said that the Council was going to propose in its Long Term Plan (LTP) to increase the contribution from general rates to the cost of maintaining the stockwater race system in recognition of the ecological and aesthetic value of parts of the system.

At the meeting, Mayor Broughton and Councillor Lemon encouraged the zone committee to submit on the Council's Long Term Plan in support of this.

The Zone Committee's Terms of Reference prevent it from submitting on the Council's Long Term Plan. Environment Canterbury will be submitting on the Selwyn Long Term Plan and it is suggested that the zone committee indicate to Environment Canterbury that it would like their submission to reflect the Zone Committee's support for maintaining water races with significant ecological values and that funding for this be provided from general rates.

At the time of writing this report the Selwyn District Council's Long Term Plan had not been released for consultation and I am unable to include the relevant section for the committee to read.

### **2 Watershed 2018**

All zone committee members will have received email invitations for Watershed 2018, the first ever get together of all zone committee members on 09 April. If people wish to go and have not registered, please do so. If you cannot find the invitation, email or phone me.

### **3 Updated 2018 zone committee work programme**

The outline of the zone committee's 2018 work programme has been updated as attached. Committee members may have suggestions for further changes.





**Outline of proposed Selwyn Waihora zone committee work programme 2018** (following 13 February zone committee meeting)

	February	March	April	May	June	July	August	September	October	November	December
Meeting date & location	13 Lincoln	06 March Rolleston	03 Lincoln	01 Lincoln	05 Lincoln	03 Lincoln	07 Taumutu overnight (tbc)	04 Lincoln	04 Lincoln (Youth Zone Committee meeting)	06 Lincoln	04 Lincoln
Field trip		Near-river site, TSA & Snake Creek project					Lake-margin (tbc)	CPW Stage 2 (tbc)		Farm visit – ESAI hosted (tbc)	
	1 Priority issues										
	(i) Swimmable Selwyn@Coes Ford										
(a) Near-river recharge project		Site visit		Fulfil governance role for this project as required							
(b) Snake Creek Project		Site visit					Update				
(c) Silverstream Project		Progress reports as part of ECan Zone Manager’s Quarterly reporting									
(d) Increase funding & resources	Selwyn River Plan Working Group	Site visit	Formalise Working Group		Selwyn River Plan developed by Working Group						
(ii) Implementing Selwyn Te Waihora Plan		Assist ECan with implementation on an issue-by-issue basis, as required (e.g. wet pasture; Selwyn Waihora gmp). Progress reports on land use consents and audited FEPs provided as part of ECan Zone Manager’s Quarterly reporting. Briefings on progress scheduled as below:									
				Land use consenting progress				CLVMA – progress to date			
(iii) Te Waihora		Lead by Te Waihora Co-Governors. Updates, approximately 6-monthly, from Whakaora Te Waihora and/or Co-Governors.									
(iv) Biodiversity	Immediate Steps projects			Allocate Immediate Steps Biodiversity Funding on case-by-case basis. Update on biodiversity protection in upper Selwyn/Waikirikiri (April/May) and Waimakariri Biodiversity Corridor (June/July)							
(v) Communication and engagement			“Telling the Story” – IrrigationNZ project	Forum – NGOs, Fonterra & others (nitrate)		Identify Zone Committee Comms and Engagement programme then implement					
	2 Governance										
(i) Committee	Elect officers; Sign-off Annual Report	Chair reports to CCC (01 March)	Chair reports to SDC	Chair reports to Regional Council (tbc)	Chair reports to CCC			Chair reports to CCC			Draft Annual Report Chair reports to CCC
(ii) Zone Delivery Work Programme and 5-yr delivery outcomes & milestones	progress report from Zone Manager			Progress report		Confirm Zone Team 2018/19 priorities/new projects	Revise 5-year delivery outcomes & milestones	Progress Report			Progress Report
	3 Briefings										
			Monitoring industrial compliance	DOC water-related work in Zone)				CPW (tbc)	State of the zone (quality & quantity). Enviro-schools		Living Water (tbc)

