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Anonymous User just submitted the survey 'Submission on Proposal to Amend the Canterbury Regional Council Flood Protection and Drainage Bylaw 2013' with the responses below.

### **Submission on Proposed Amendments to the Canterbury Regional Council Flood Protection and Drainage Bylaw 2013**

Please note that this form is only for submissions on the Proposed Amendments to the Canterbury Regional Council Flood Protection and Drainage Bylaw 2013.

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#### **Section 3. Purpose**

**Do you support or oppose the proposed amendments to the Purpose?**

Support

**Please explain the reason(s) for your support/opposition and the specific decision you seek from Environment Canterbury.**

Drains are a major part of the lower Selwyn area as there is a large amount of water coming into the Leeston/Irwell area from above. These drains need to be greatly improved to help with drainage of farmland on heavier low lying areas and be improved in a way that takes into account the management of cleaning Lake Ellesmere. Current drains have not been maintained to a good level resulting in severe flooding in times of high rainfall, as on 15 July 2017, causing unneeded contamination of water, which then further contaminates Lake Ellesmere.

#### **Section 4. Definition of Terms**

**4. Defence against water - Do you support or oppose the proposed amendments?**

Support

**Please explain the reason(s) for your support/opposition and the specific decision you seek from Environment Canterbury.**

Less sediment loss and contamination

**4. Erosion protection planting - Do you support or oppose the proposed amendments?**

No Answer

**Please explain the reason(s) for your support/opposition and the specific decision you seek from Environment Canterbury.**

No Answer

**4. Flood protection vegetation - Do you support or oppose the proposed amendments?**

No Answer

**Please explain the reason(s) for your support/opposition and the specific decision you seek from Environment Canterbury.**

No Answer

## **Section 5. Activities Requiring Bylaw Authority**

**5.1 (b) (ii) Do you support or oppose the proposed amendments?**

Support

**Please explain the reason(s) for your support/opposition and the specific decision you seek from Environment Canterbury.**

Drain banks should be kept clear

**5.1 (d) Do you support or oppose the proposed amendments?**

Support

**Please explain the reason(s) for your support/opposition and the specific decision you seek from Environment Canterbury.**

Along our farm boundary drains; Hanmer Drain and Brookside Irwell drain, to often are hedges and trees cut with clippings left in the drain and then water builds up in heavy rainfall causing un-needed flooding events or worsened flooding during a flood

**5.1 Explanation - Do you support or oppose the proposed amendments?**

No Answer

**Please explain the reason(s) for your support/opposition and the specific decision you seek from Environment Canterbury.**

No Answer

**5.2 (b), 5.2 (c), 5.2 Explanation - Do you support or oppose the proposed amendments?**

Support

**Please explain the reason(s) for your support/opposition and the specific decision you seek from Environment Canterbury.**

Objects that deflect water cause erosion and damage drains

**5.3 (d) (iii) - Do you support or oppose the proposed amendments?**

No Answer

**Please explain the reason(s) for your support/opposition and the specific decision you seek from Environment Canterbury.**

No Answer

**5.3 (e) (iii) - Do you support or oppose the proposed amendments?**

No Answer

**Please explain the reason(s) for your support/opposition and the specific decision you seek from Environment Canterbury.**

No Answer

**5.3 (g) (iii) - Do you support or oppose the proposed amendments?**

No Answer

**Please explain the reason(s) for your support/opposition and the specific decision you seek from Environment Canterbury.**

No Answer

**5.3 (h) (i-iii) - Do you support or oppose the proposed amendments?**

No Answer

**Please explain the reason(s) for your support/opposition and the specific decision you seek from Environment Canterbury.**

No Answer

**Section 5.4 Note - Do you support or oppose the proposed amendments?**

No Answer

**Please explain the reason(s) for your support/opposition and the specific decision you seek from Environment Canterbury.**

No Answer

**5.5 - Do you support or oppose the proposed amendments?**

No Answer

**Please explain the reason(s) for your support/opposition and the specific decision you seek from Environment Canterbury.**

No Answer

**5.5 Note - Do you support or oppose the proposed amendments?**

No Answer

**Please explain the reason(s) for your support/opposition and the specific decision you seek from Environment Canterbury.**

No Answer

**5.6 Note - Do you support or oppose the proposed amendments?**

No Answer

**Please explain the reason(s) for your support/opposition and the specific decision you seek from Environment Canterbury.**

Objects that deflect water cause erosion and damage drains

**5.7 (b) - Do you support or oppose the proposed amendments?**

No Answer

**Please explain the reason(s) for your support/opposition and the specific decision you seek from Environment Canterbury.**

No Answer

## **Section 8 - Applying for an Authority**

**8.1 (b) - Do you support or oppose the proposed amendments?**

No Answer

**Please explain the reason(s) for your support/opposition and the specific decision you seek from Environment Canterbury.**

No Answer

**8.3 (a), 8.3 (b) - Do you support or oppose the proposed amendments?**

No Answer

**Please explain the reason(s) for your support/opposition and the specific decision you seek from Environment Canterbury.**

No Answer

## **Section 9 - Compliance and Enforcement**

### **9.3 - Do you support or oppose the proposed amendments?**

No Answer

**Please explain the reason(s) for your support/opposition and the specific decision you seek from Environment Canterbury.**

No Answer

### **Schedules**

#### **Map Volumes 1-3 - Do you support or oppose the proposed amendments?**

No Answer

**Please explain the reason(s) for your support/opposition and the specific decision you seek from Environment Canterbury.**

No Answer

### **Appendices 1 and 2**

#### **Appendix 1 (Application Form) - Do you support or oppose the proposed amendments?**

No Answer

**Please explain the reason(s) for your support/opposition and the specific decision you seek from Environment Canterbury.**

No Answer

#### **Appendix 2 (Diagrams) - Do you support or oppose the proposed amendments?**

No Answer

**Please explain the reason(s) for your support/opposition and the specific decision you seek from Environment Canterbury.**

No Answer

**Additional supporting documentation can be attached here.**

No Answer

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No Answer

**If you would like to upload any supporting documentation, please upload your file below.**

No Answer

**Please provide a brief comment below.**

I am a farmer in the Selwyn District who is concerned about how the Selwyn River has been allowed to rise over the last two decades. Over the years due to flooding a large volume of gravel has transported down causing the river to rise and reduce above surface flow of the river. If this gravel was removed more regularly and of greater quantity the river would flow more consistently. This problem may be solved by excess CPW irrigation water being released into the river. This will though result in additional gravel coming down the river and if not managed will cause the river to further deteriorate. The main issue I have with the excess gravel in the Selwyn River is that it causes the river to flood to easy. Without suitable banks to the river due to the high gravel base of the river or not digging the river regularly to remove this gravel and form banks the rivers banks are bursting from a slightly heavy rainfall event. This then causes the river to flood over the main south, over into the Irwell River, over our farm and then over Leeston road. With current technology and equipment I find this unnecessary. How come there is a quarry going ahead in Templeton when there is a huge supply of gravel in the Selwyn River which would not cause the contamination of land suitable for housing and disrupt the neighborhood? Is there any reason why incentives could not be used to get transport companies taking shingle from the River? With Environment Plans coming into effect to clean up Lake Ellesmere how come Environment Canterbury is not liable to protect farmland from flooding? How can the Selwyn River be improved to prevent future flooding?

**Have more to say?**

