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Subject: River Rating Bylaws review
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Attn Ecan ,
Attached please find my submission to this review process
Could you please acknowledge receipt and acceptance of same

Kind Regards
Robert

Submitter ID:

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

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I do not wish to be heard in support of my submission; or

I do wish to be heard in support of my submission; and if so,

I would be prepared to consider presenting my submission in a joint case with others making a similar submission at any hearing

(1) The specific provisions of the proposal that my submission relates to are:		(2) My submission is that: <i>(include whether you support or oppose the specific provisions or wish to have them amended and the reasons for your views).</i>		(3) I seek the following decisions from Environment Canterbury: <i>(Please give precise details for each provision. The more specific you are the easier it will be for the Council to understand your concerns.)</i>
Section & Page Number	Sub-section/Point	Oppose/support (in part or full)	Reasons	
Free submission printed on separate form				<p>There are 2 serious gaps/omissions in your river rating /Flood control/ Drainage schemes</p> <p>Your responsibility is to protect the asset of flood protection ---the ones on my frontage have been washed away.</p>
				<p>And vital to maintain and prevent damage and danger and to keep people properties and communities safe .</p> <p>The gap in your systems is between the Ashley Gorge and the confluence of the Okuku river where there is no river rating area at all . Despite all my efforts over many years no one at Ecan is interested there should be 2 new river rating areas formed at least ,,one on each side of the river along that stretch. Better still would be, (in conjunction with WDC, form a district wide rating area for the lands which flow into the Ashley / Okuku</p> <p>The problems out from and below my frontage are huge ----gravel build up from cliff erosion which contributes to section drying up</p> <p>Also a massive build up of vegetation of all sorts gorse ,broom Willows pine trees lupins et al . Some work is about to start on this I understand from the Zone Committee activities</p> <p>In short amending the bylaws is fine and I support all of what I have read . But Ecan needs to address this massive deficiency in its network It is a serious omission and in my view one of if not the biggest Environmental disaster in Canterbury -----Far bigger than all</p>

the hype about water quality and nutrients, much of which is based on emotional rather than science or fact.

Goodness me I even get rated on some of my adjacent land for Waimak /Eyre/ Cust river rates because that parcel of land is in the W/E/Cust catchment.

Thank you and I wish to be heard

You need to do more on the Ashley ----the town of Rangiora is still at risk notwithstanding the massive amount of money being spent on secondary stopbanks etc and the gravel buldup in the river continues.

Ask the community at Waikuku what they think They understand exactly and the risks to them that the river poses.

I will be out of the country from 6th Sept until 22nd Sept so will not be able to present at a hearing during those dates. Hopefully the hearings will be scheduled either before I depart or after I return.

Add further pages as required – please initial any additional pages.