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William34 just submitted the survey 'Representation Review Submission' with the responses below.

### **Submission on Proposal to the Environment Canterbury Representation Review 2018**

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#### **1. The proposal is for 7 constituencies. Do you consider that the number of constituencies provides effective representation for communities of interest?**

Yes

**Please provide your comments below (optional)**

No Answer

#### **2. Do you consider the proposed names of each constituency and the boundaries of each constituency are clear and appropriate for representation purposes?**

Yes

**Please provide any comments below (optional)**

No Answer

#### **3. Do you consider that the number of councillors proposed to be elected from each constituency is appropriate to provide fair representation for electors in each constituency?**

No

**Please provide any comments below (optional)**

The proposed provision of one Councillor for the South Canterbury Constituency is quite unacceptable for approximately a third of the Council area. When the Council was formed there were three Councillors and later two for the same constituency. Within the constituency there are four Districts. Timaru City and District, Mackenzie District, Waimate District and part of the Waitaki District. There are also three Ecan zones as well as numerous river and other committees.

**4. If you have any suggestions for changes to the proposal, please provide them below.**

It is of the utmost importance to have two councillors represent the constituency. For many years there were three councillors then two. To represent Dansey's Pass in the south to the Rangitata River in the north and from the mountain divide to the sea is a huge task. Within the area are many separate communities with their environmental concerns. As well there are the demands of Council meetings and responsibilities in far away Christchurch.

**Public Hearings**

**Please tick those that apply**

I do wish to be heard in support of my submission;