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- 1) Nobody has the right to destroy our lowland streams and pure aquifers that ensure quality of life and provide our drinking water and Ecan should be acting to protect them rather than acting in the interests of dairy farmers to destroy them
- 2) the environmental, and health costs are huge. It is known that nitrates are a leading contributor to bowel cancer of which NZ has one of the worlds highest rates and yet ECan wants to increase the level of nitrates. How is this? The costs are being experienced by the majority of people now but future generations will suffer more significantly if strong action is not taken now. It is ridiculous to suggest the financial benefits of farming now should outweigh the environment now and in the future
- 3) contrary to this plan change there needs to be a rapid reduction in nitrates from the present level to ensure the quality of our waterways and aquifers for future generations.
- 4) ECan does not have a mandate from all Canterbury constituents for this plan change and therefore it is likely unlawful. This is particularly the case because the plan change is not known by more than 90% of constituents and because ECan have made the plan change submission process so onerous that few will be able to respond.
- 5) ECan should be acting consistently with the policies of the current government and reducing the level of nitrates now.

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