

Submission on Plan Change 7 to the Canterbury Land and Water Regional Plan

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Submitter Identification number: **PC7-498**

Wishes to be heard: **No**

Would consider making a joint submission at the hearing: **No**

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Proposed Plan Change 7 to the Land and Water Regional Plan

Form 5 Submission on publically notified proposal for policy statement or plan, change or variation

Clause 6 of Schedule 1, Resource Management Act 1991

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Wishes to be heard? No
Is willing to present a joint case? No

Proposed Plan Change 7 has been developed to respond to emerging resource management issues, to give effect to relevant national direction, to implement recommendations from the Hinds Drains' Working Party, and to implement recommendations in the Waimakariri and Orari-Temuka-Opihi-Pareora (OTOP) Zone Implementation Programme Addenda (ZIPA).

- Could you gain an advantage in trade competition in making this submission?
- No
- Are you directly affected by an effect of the subject matter of the submission that
(a) adversely affects the environment; and
(b) does not relate to trade competition or the effects of trade competition
- Yes

Submission points

Point 16.1

Submission

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I oppose policy 4.102 as the policy and definitions are not sufficiently clear to enable the safe passage of Trout and Salmon nor is it clear which rivers in the area are excluded or included in the policy.

As it stands this proposed policy could negatively impact the ability for Anglers to pursue their past time on many Rivers in the Canterbury area

Sports fishing is an extremely popular and valuable Recreation for thousands of Canterbury residents and visitors. It provides important social, mental and physical benefits to individuals and contributes to personal wellbeing. It also contributes economic benefits to businesses and communities and provides a livelihood for many.

The policy also does not give regard to section 7 of the RMA (habitat of trout and salmon), interferes with Fish and Game's functions under the Conservation Act (section 26Q), interferes with DOC's functions under the Conservation Act (section 6(ab)), is contrary to Water Conservation Orders where outstanding values are recognised and waters are protected for spawning and angling, and is contrary to the Canterbury Regional Policy Statement where values such as fishing are recognised.

Finally, I would like to bring your attention to the difficulty I experienced in entering text into your online submission form via my mobile phone. It seemed there was a technical issue that meant the keyboard strokes I entered were not what came up in the form. I have had to cut and paste this from a separate application.

Relief sought

I oppose the inclusion of policy 4.102.

Section: Section 4 Policies

Sub-section: Section 4 Policies

Provision

4.102

Structures enable the safe passage of indigenous fish, while avoiding as far as practicable, the passage of any invasive, pest or nuisance fish species by:

- a. the appropriate design, construction, installation and maintenance of new in-stream structures; and
- b. the modification, reconstruction or removed of existing in-stream structures.