

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

By **Newbery, K**

Submitter Identification number: **PC7-532**

Wishes to be heard: **No**

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

Submitted on: **09/09/2019**

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- "I wish to be heard in support of my submission" ; and
- "If others make a similar submission I will consider presenting a joint case with them at a hearing".

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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  
- No

## Submission points

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### Point 55.1

#### Submission

I wholeheartedly oppose this plan. This aquifer is the water supply for the city. The proposed limits for nitrates could lead to the aquifers under the Canterbury plains being polluted by nitrates. There needs to be more data, analysis and evidence that categorically prove that these changes will **not** directly affect the health of all of Christchurch, now and in for future generations. Even small increases in nitrate levels can be potentially damaging as shown in research from Denmark showing links to increased levels of colorectal cancer. We cannot be complacent here and much more research needs to be carried out before going ahead with a plan that could be catastrophic for years to come. Get the independent health experts in to reassure us that increased nitrates will not be damaging to the health of our city. We need facts and solid evidence presented clearly to the public and all stakeholders should be engaged in a wholly transparent process. Please reconsider this plan now.

#### Relief sought

I wish ECAN to significantly reduce the proposed nitrate limits, both the maximums and the average.

**Section:** Section 16 Schedules

**Sub-section:** General

**Provision**

General