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I urge Canterbury Regional Council (ECan) to decline the six applications relating to the construction of a 7.5 kilometre pipeline and discharge of treated wastewater from a milk-processing factory situated at 30 Cooney's Road, Glenavy, into the Coastal Marine Area.

Our wild oceans are places of beauty, the living spaces for countless animal species, and our places of recreation.

The proposed pipeline would take waste into an area proposed as a protected marine reserve. The SEMPA will stretch from Timaru to Southland and aims to protect the habitat of Hoiho (yellow eyed penguin – threatened, nationally endangered), korora (little penguin – at risk, declining) and Hector's Dolphin (nationally vulnerable). This is unacceptable to me. I ask ECan to protect the SEMPA are in order to protect our native wildlife.

I ask the members of ECan to give their support for the development of alternative economic futures for local people in the area that do not harm the Pacific Ocean and instead make the most of the ecotourism opportunities and potential 21st century jobs, in line with the ECan's vision for our ocean areas:

**Protecting our glorious coastlines:** Our coastlines are beautiful places and we want to keep it that way. This needs careful management to reduce pressure from industrial development and changes in coastal erosion patterns.

I support this vision and ask ECan to reject this proposal to reduce the pressures on our environment. I suggest Oceania Dairy uses the latest technology and best environmental practices to deal with or reuse its wastewater onsite or on land if it wants to expand its factory.

Thank you for considering this submission.

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