

Comments

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Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation? No, I'm submitting as an individual

Are you willing to tell us more about yourself? Yes

Which age category are you in? 65+ years old

Which suburb or area do you live in?

Do you think we've prioritised the right issues and opportunities? Yes

Which of the proposed options would you like to see us progress with? Option 1: statutory work, prior commitments and accelerating key initiatives

It is important that we hear what you would like to keep in the plan, what you think should be removed, and anything that you think we have missed?

I think accelerating key initiatives is the most significant area and everything ECan does should be closely considered through the lens of the climate emergency and the health of the environment. The health and welfare of all people depends on salvaging the environment.

Do you generally support the activities proposed in the following portfolios:

Water and Land	Yes
Biodiversity and Biosecurity	Yes

Climate Change and Community Resilience	Yes
Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development	Yes
Regional and Strategic Leadership	Yes

Do you have any further comments on the activities proposed in specific portfolio/s (please select all those you wish to comment on): . Water and Land

Water and Land portfolio comments:

I am extremely concerned about nitrate leaching into and through the Canterbury plains. We have so many wise and innovative farmers who must be given support to urgently address this issue, I am sure it is possible. Nitrate which has already entered our water sources is already having an impact and women are being told not to feed bore water to small babies, these must be the babies of farming families, what greater incentive is needed. It must be doing damage to the aquifers flora and fauna and will only move deeper and spread further. I know this problem is invisible but I believe it is urgent.

Is the proposed increase in rates affordable for your household? Option 1 is affordable

Any further comments on affordability for your household?

I believe that we must pay whatever it takes to save our precious environment.

Is the proposed increase in rates affordable as a whole for the Canterbury community? Don't know

Do you support the changes we're proposing to how we apply Uniform Annual General Charges? Yes

Would you support the use of borrowing for operating expenditure to offset some of the first year rates? Yes

Do you support the rationale and proposed changes in the draft Fees and Charges Policy? Yes

Where do you live in Canterbury? Select your district below: Christchurch city including Banks Peninsula

Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Kaikoura

Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Hurunui

Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Waimakariri

Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Christchurch . On-demand public transport services

Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Selwyn

Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Ashburton

Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Mackenzie

Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Timaru

Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Waimate

Would you like to see us investing in the following initiatives in your area? Waitaki

Any further comments?

I worry about the wisdom of Aquifer Recharge as a strategy. the water being returned to the aquifer cannot be as clean as the original water and must do damage to the aquifer. We really must work out how to avoid this.

I also worry about the state of our rivers, braided rivers are designed to flood, filling dams must reduce the river's ability to flood and clear debris and weeds, I would like to see more work done in research around how we can support our rivers rather than simply treating them as a resource.

Do you wish to speak to your submission? No

Would you like to be kept up-to-date with the outcome of this consultation? Yes

How did you find out about giving feedback? . Environment Canterbury website
 . Word of mouth
 . Newspaper
 . Email

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There is personal information/contact details in my submission I do not want disclosed: No