

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? No

Do you think we've prioritised the right issues and opportunities? No

What do you feel are the significant challenges and opportunities we face?

Maintaining economic viability of Canterbury versus being overruled by impractical philosophies and concepts which will ultimately lead to a poorer region and place in which people live and work.

Which of the proposed options would you like to see us progress with? Option 2: statutory work and prior commitments

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?

ECAN had already implemented the most comprehensive fresh water conditions and the ways of reducing nutrient discharge in NZ. I do not agree that we should have to pay to change these to suit Minister David Parker's agenda. The government's new regulations are unworkable for farmers and as yet are not finalised. Should be pushed back.

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

Water and Land	No
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Biodiversity and Biosecurity	Yes
Climate Change and Community Resilience	No
Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development	Unsure
Regional and Strategic Leadership	Unsure

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

Is the proposed increase in rates affordable for your household? Option 2 is affordable

Is the proposed increase in rates affordable as a whole for the Canterbury community? No

Do you support the changes we're proposing to how we apply Uniform Annual General Charges? No

Would you support the use of borrowing for operating expenditure to offset some of the first year rates? No

Any further comments on the use of borrowing for operating expenditure?

Borrowing is not a good practice; it burdens future generations.

Do you support the rationale and proposed changes in the draft Fees and Charges Policy? No

Where do you live in Canterbury? Select your district below: Ashburton district

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

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

The Hekeao Hinds Managed Aquifer Recharge is a pilot of environmental infrastructure to address water quality. To continue enhancing this infrastructure, the project would require ongoing targeted rates from the Ashburton district. Find out more [link]. Do you want to see this project continue? Yes

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?

The draft consultation document is overwhelming for the lay person to easily read. It is too wordy, time consuming and most frustrating when people are already busy endeavouring to survive and give to the community in other volunteer ways. One wonders if it is a cunning, political, purposeful ploy of ECAN to present the document in this manner.

Do you wish to speak to your submission? No

How did you find out about giving feedback?

- . Environment Canterbury website
- . Word of mouth
- . Newspaper

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