

## 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

**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?**

Keep: Aggressively protect fresh water

Remove: 'Pest' control - 'pest' species are now native, they have been here for a long time, having been brought here against their will. And endless cycle of killing has been proven to be a failure, and sets a bad example for violence in the community (don't like something? just kill it!) 'Pest' control should be done solely by fertility management and genetic engineering, if at all. The biggest contributor to environmental degradation is humans and intensive farming - 'pest' damage is a red herring.

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

<b>Water and Land</b>	No
<b>Biodiversity and Biosecurity</b>	No
<b>Climate Change and Community Resilience</b>	No
<b>Air Quality, Transport and Urban Development</b>	No
<b>Regional and Strategic Leadership</b>	No

**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:**

Aquifer Recharge is an artificial 'solution' to a man-made problem. Prohibit intensive farming and aquifer-depletion in the first place - farm in harmony with nature.

**Is the proposed increase in rates affordable for your household?** Neither option is affordable

**Any further comments on affordability for your household?**

Keep your hands off our money.

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

**Any further comments on affordability for the community?**

Nobody can afford increases - cost of living is up, wages are down. Cut costs by eliminating managers and consultants. Raise revenue by heavily charging farmers for the shared resources that they take for their personal gain.

**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 for capital projects is sometimes justified. Borrowing for operating expenses shows a lack of financial sense, and places an unfair burden on ratepayers present and future.

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

**Any further comments on the Fees and Charges Policy?**

Cut costs by eliminating managers and consultants. Raise revenue by heavily charging farmers for the shared resources that they take for their personal gain.

**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** . Other initiative/s (please specify)

**Other initiative/s (please specify) Christchurch**

Prohibit intensive farming, especially dairy. Ensure farming in harmony with nature, by applying massive charges for water use and pollution.

**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**

**Do you wish to speak to your submission?** No

**Would you like to be kept up-to-date with the outcome of this consultation?** No

**How did you find out about giving feedback?** . Word of mouth

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**There is personal information/contact details in my submission I do not want disclosed:** Yes

**Tell us which information you do not want disclosed:** email address