

## Comments

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**Are you submitting on behalf of an organisation?** Yes, I'm submitting on behalf of an organisation

**Which organisation are you submitting on behalf of?** Timaru Rowing Club

**Do you think we've prioritised the right issues and opportunities?** Don't know

**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	No
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):**

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

**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**

**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** . Using aquifer recharge to manage freshwater quality

**Should we continue investing in MyWay by Metro, Timaru's on-demand public transport service, after the trial period is completed?** Don't know

**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?** Yes

**How did you find out about giving feedback?** . Environment Canterbury website  
Meeting, hui or event

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

The Timaru Rowing club would like to put in a submission to see an upgrade of the weir and silting of the lower reaches of Saltwater Creek rectified, the current Weir system is failing and not maintaining the general purpose of water retention, the lack of maintenance and removal annually of the weir boards have led to an large build-up of silt over the last 20 years. With the increase of usage of the walk way, cycle track and wetlands it is imperative that this waterway is no longer neglected.

The Timaru Rowing club use this water way as our “training field” it is the only waterway in Timaru that is suitable for our activity, we have been involved with many of the activities held and over the past few years have learnt a lot about the divisibility of the stretch of water. We are also active members in the catchment group. From the Eco side to the recreational it has issues with weed, water quality and flow levels as it dries out most summers not only leaves the rowers with not training venue it also puts stress on the wildlife and the whole eco system, the beautifully restored wetlands runs dry, the true extent of the silting is visible at this time.

We fully appreciate the nature of this stretch of water, it holds and houses many assets for the region, from wildlife, fish to food source to recreational values. The Timaru rowing club believes these issues can be easily overcome, by a redesign of the current weir, which includes properly designed and built fish passage, easily opened gate to allow silt and excess water to escape (when needed) and to retain the water in the drier months.

Kind Regards

Glen Patterson

Timaru Rowing Club