
From: Environment Canterbury
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To:
Subject: Regional Land Transport Plan submission

Anonymous User just submitted the survey 'Draft Regional Land Transport Plan submission' with the responses below.

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Are you giving feedback on behalf of an organisation?

Yes

Organisation name

Protect Our Winters NZ

Select your local city or district council:

Other (please specify) - All of the above

Tell us how important each of these objectives is to you:

Maintenance Important

Resilience Very important

Emissions	Very important
Growth	Not very important
Safety	Very important
Freight	Important

Target 2: 41% reduction in greenhouse gas emissions from land transport in Canterbury by 2035

We suggest this target be increased to at least 50%. This is a relatively low-hanging fruit. All new housing developments must be built with this in mind. There needs to be engagement with all councils and developers to increase housing density, minimise urban sprawl and to make it easy for residents to choose to walk, bike, or take public transport to where they need to go for work, school or play. This goal won't be achieved without an ambitious housing action too. There also needs to be a bigger emphasis on public transport connecting regional centres both within Canterbury, and connecting Canterbury to other regions. The train to Arthurs Pass needs to be affordable for local residents to go tramping on the weekends. There needs to be PUBLIC (not just private) transport to places such as Twizel, Timaru, and Castle Hill. There also needs to be PUBLIC transport connecting Christchurch to Dunedin, Queenstown, Greymouth and further north. Currently any bus services connecting these towns and cities are private transport and not affordable, accessible, or frequent enough to provide a realistic alternative to driving.

Target 3: 100% increase in tonnage of freight moved by rail in Canterbury by 2034

Agree with this target. Also look at increasing freight moved to/from Canterbury, for example from/to Dunedin.

Tell us how important each of these priorities is to you:

Create a well-maintained network	Neutral
Manage risk of exposure to extreme events	Important
Support and develop connected public and active transport networks	Very important
Implementing safer systems (Road to Zero)	Important
Support and develop freight systems connecting to air, rail and sea	Important

Are there specific actions you think should be taken to help achieve these priorities?

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Do you support investigating alternative approaches to fund transport system improvements?

Yes

What sources of funding do you think could be used to pay for regionally significant improvements:

Congestion charging. Parking revenue directly funding public transportation. Make developers pay for public and active transport to/from their developments.

Are these the right measures of success?

Yes, these are the right measures.

Are there other monitoring indicators or measures of success that you think should be included?

Local air quality

Would you like to speak to your submission at a hearing in March?

No
