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**From:** Environment Canterbury  
**Sent:** Monday, 26 February 2024 6:42 am  
**To:**  
**Subject:** Regional Land Transport Plan submission

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

**First name**

Stephen

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**Surname**

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**Email address**

**Are you giving feedback on behalf of an organisation?**

No

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**Select your local city or district council:**

Christchurch City Council

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

<b>Maintenance</b>	Very important
<b>Resilience</b>	Very important
<b>Emissions</b>	Very important
<b>Growth</b>	Important
<b>Safety</b>	Very important
<b>Freight</b>	Important

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**If you think we should consider other objectives, please describe what they are and why they should be considered:**

Safety should be expanded to include wellbeing. We know that some of the costs of our current system are increased death, not just from crashes, but from poor air quality.

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**Target 1: 40% reduction in deaths and serious injuries on Canterbury roads by 2030**

Laudable target, the devil is in the detail, i.e. how this is achieved.

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

A good start!

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

good to see, but there are challenges in competing with the end to end service that road freight can provide. One "freight" stream that could involve more rail is transport of rubbish to Kate Valley from Greater Christchurch but it would still need a road component at one or both ends of the journey.

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

Create a well-maintained network	Very important
Manage risk of exposure to extreme events	Very 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

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

Acknowledge that a project may address more than one priority. For example Pages Rd bridge replacement might be seen just as infrastructure replacement, but it is also an opportunity to improve safety by improving tsunami evacuation. Look at resilience of river crossings in the light of available alternatives. Ashburton's SH1 bridge is considered high priority but this river has mid-plain and high-plain crossings, so a 2nd bridge at Ashburton is as much more a local issue of Ashburton-Tinwald traffic as it is for long haul freight. Canterbury has fragile links where rivers have fewer crossings. e.g Rakaia. The SH1 Rakaia bridge is a daunting crossing to consider by cycling - on the last big cycle tour I did there I avoided it and rode to the gorge crossing instead.

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

Yes

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

Have recently passed through Tauranga which has implemented toll roads. The technology to do this has advanced considerably in recent years

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**Are these the right measures of success?**

Yes, these are the right measures.

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

Participation levels in active transport (e.g from counters) is possibly a better measure than simply the number of kilometres of dedicated network built. As well as getting to school or to work, active transport is about modal shift for other short trips - to shops or community facilities or events, for a meal out or the movies.

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**Do you have any other comments that you would like to make on the draft Plan?**

Overall it is a good plan. I would have liked to speak to the hearings, but I understand the hearings are at the same time as the walking and cycling conference I'm attending in Wellington.

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

No

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