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**From:** Environment Canterbury  
**Sent:** Friday, 23 February 2024 3:40 pm  
**To:**  
**Subject:** Regional Land Transport Plan submission

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

**First name**

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**Surname**

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

Yes

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**Organisation name**

Orion New Zealand Limited

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

Other (please specify) - Our network is located in Christchurch City and Selwyn District.

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

Maintenance      Neutral

Resilience      Neutral

<b>Emissions</b>	Very important
<b>Growth</b>	Very important
<b>Freight</b>	Very important

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

In particular, we support this target and encourage the Committee to consider additional policies which we have set out below at question 13.

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

We suggest that the Committee also include these additional policies (refer page 36 of the draft): • Support and collaborate on integrated regional and local energy planning to enable and optimise electrification for the transition to a low emission transport system • Ensure there is alignment between electric transport modes and further energy scenario planning • Ensure transport corridors can provide for electricity distribution infrastructure to assist with the transition to a low emission transport system. See our explanation below at question 18.

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

Including these new policies will expressly acknowledge that energy planning and energy requirements are key to achieving the objectives and targets proposed by the Committee in the draft Plan. We expect growing demand for electricity for transport as fossil fuels are phased out of both private and public transport. Changes to network infrastructure will be required to support the growing electrification of transport. The overall demand for transport and mode of transport has a significant impact on how Orion plans for these investments. Changes to our network infrastructure are significant investments and can have long lag times. This means as much foresight and prior knowledge as possible of significant changes to urban development and transport planning is critical. Orion welcomes the opportunity to work with the Committee and member organisations on collaborative energy and infrastructure planning to support the electrification of the transport mode shift and enhance community resilience.

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

Yes

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**Please provide a contact phone number so we can arrange a suitable time for you to speak at a hearing:**

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