

Your submission to APP203974 - reassessment of hydrogen cyanamide

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What is your position on the proposals set out in the reassessment application? Please outline your reasons in the text box below.

Position

I support the application

Notes

The use of Hi-Cane continues to negatively impact the whenua of Aotearoa New Zealand and impact the health of tangata whenua and pakeha alike. People are putting their income first before health and environment, which is suffering more than many people realize. Its toxicity to humans, mammals, bees, aquatic organisms, and birds is frightening. The continued rise of new large-scale kiwifruit orchards, especially in the Western Bay of Plenty, would further increase the negative effects of Hi-Cane already felt by local communities. Ultimately, Hi-Cane's ban in Europe, and review in the United States alone should prompt a recognition of its harmful impacts. Other viable alternatives, like a focus on the ever-growing organic sector, should be assessed, as possibilities without the use of Hi-Cane. Greater government support to transition to organic and to research fewer toxic alternatives is fundamentally needed. In sum, I support a ban on Hi-Cane due to its environmental and health impacts, the option of other viable alternatives without the use of Hi-Cane and the increasing international recognition and banning of the chemical due to its detrimental effects.

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All submissions are taken into account by the decision makers. In addition, please indicate whether or not you also wish to speak at a hearing if one is held.

Position

No I do not wish to speak about my submission at the hearing

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You have elected to withhold your personal details from publication.