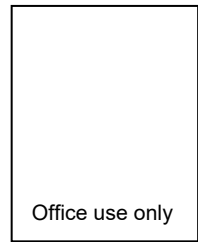




SUBMISSION FORM – Proposed Plan Change 7(Water Permits) to the Regional Plan: Water for Otago

Form 5, Clause 6 of Schedule 1, Resource Management Act 1991



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I **wish** to be heard in support of my further submission.

If others made a similar submission, I **will** consider presenting a joint case with them at a hearing.
(Delete if you would not consider presenting a joint case)

Trade competitor’s declaration (if applicable)

I could / could not (circle one) gain an advantage in trade competition from this submission

I am not (circle one) directly affected by an effect of the plan change that

- (a) Adversely affects the environment; and
- (b) Does not relate to trade competition or the effects of trade competition.

Signature of submitter: Date:

(Or person authorised to sign on behalf of person making submission.

Signature not required if you make your submission by electronic means)

Please note that all submissions are made available for public inspection.

State what your submission relates to and if you support, oppose, or want it amended:

(e.g. support rule ‘x’, or amend policy ‘y’)

I oppose plan change 7 because results won’t be beneficial to the river and the local community

I am an irrigator in the Upper Taieri Catchment and a shareholder in the Maniototo Irrigation Company.I am concerned by the precedent set by Plan Chance 7 for future consent applications like our company.

There are very few deemed permits left in the Upper Taieri Catchment they have been replaced under the existing plan with positive outcomes for the environment and the community.

The short-term consents as proposed will make it almost impossible to invest in long term irrigation. The sinking lid policy will penalise farmers like me who only use what I need, but if the season is drier allow me to use more of my allocation (what it was originally designed to do). You will penalise me for being an efficient irrigator.

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State what decision you want the Otago Regional Council to make:

(e.g. amend policy 'y' to say....)

In catchments where minimum flows settings are in place (Taieri) applications for renewal of permits should continue under the existing plan.

In catchments where minimum flows have yet to be set, status quo maintained while this work is completed.....

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Give reasons for the decision you want made:

(e.g. I want policy 'y' changed because...)

Plan Change 7 seems agenda driven rather than fact driven. It has a negative view on irrigation.

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As an example of incorrect facts the Skelton report which has been used for justification of PC7 states that there are 74 deemed permits in the Taieri with 76 dairy farms. There are only 3 deemed permits associated with dairy farms in the Upper Taieri.

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Please attach any additional information.

SUBMISSIONS MUST BE RECEIVED BY 5.00 PM ON Monday 4 May 2020

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Please note that your submission (or part of your submission) may be struck out if the authority is satisfied that at least 1 of the following applies to the submission (or part of the submission):

- it is frivolous or vexatious:

- it discloses no reasonable or relevant case:
- it would be an abuse of the hearing process to allow the submission (or the part) to be taken further:
- it contains offensive language:
- it is supported only by material that purports to be independent expert evidence but has been prepared by a person who is not independent or who does not have sufficient specialised knowledge or skill to give expert advice on the matter.