



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

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

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I **do not wish** (circle preference) 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 not (circle one) gain an advantage in trade competition from this submission

I am 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:2 May 2020.....
(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’)

Amend policy for renewal or replacement or issuing new permits for water intake based on the average use during 2012_2017.

Generate a new policy based on the availability of water in individual catchment areas, and the specific irrigation requirements of the property concerned..

Cancel Proposed Plan Change 7 and develop a new plan which can operate in the long term, with the ability to accommodate change and development.....

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

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

Withdraw Proposed Plan Change 7 and replace this with a new policy based on 1: water availability in each specific sub-region or catchment area, and 2: the demonstrated justification for the proposed water usage.

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Give reasons for the decision you want made:

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

Proposed Plan Change 7 appears to me to be a poorly considered proposal to avoid the issues of environmentally sustainable water use, deferring any competent decision making for another 5 years. By using a past use average, it does not allow for change of use, for development, or indeed for cessation of any current inappropriate use of water resources.

Different agricultural properties have a great range of water requirements, from large scale pivot irrigation for dairying to focussed and limited drip irrigation for horticulture. Similarly, different sub-regions have a great range of available water, for example from close to maximum possible use in the Lindis valley to 90% under-utilised in the Clutha river flats just 10km away from Lindis valley.

The pattern of agricultural land use in Central Otago is undergoing dynamic change, and a district plan that matches water availability with need, with an ability to cope with changes in demand, is critically needed.....

CODC has made a good attempt to define new sub-regions for water use, measuring potential availability of water and current water usage in each sub-region. I suggest that this research be continued and extended, and a new water policy developed. It is important for agricultural use and development to have long-term security of resource availability.

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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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- 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