

ORC Omnibus Plan Change - Plan Change 8

Submission Reference no: 23

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Submitter Type: Not specified

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Overall Notes:

Clause

Are you a trade competitor?

Position

I am a person who would not gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission

Notes

Clause

What are you submitting on? You can submit on specific parts of Plan Change 8 or the whole plan change.

Position

I am submitting on the whole plan change.

Notes

I have comments on both specific parts and on the plan change as a whole. The specific parts are: 7.C.6, 7D5(d)(i), 12C0.2.(vi), 12C0.4, 14.7.2.1.(d) plus restrictions, 7.D.9, Glossary, 13.5.1.8A

Clause

What is your view on the Plan Change 8 or the specific parts listed above? Please select one, if you have multiple views state clearly in the notes box below.

Position

Multiple views

Notes

Overall plan: No attention is given in the plan to nutrient levels flowing into the soil from animal waste and likely to affect nutrient and toxin levels in aquifers in the long term. Nor is there any provision for monitoring of water quality in aquifers. If we are to avoid the widespread contamination of aquifers experienced in Canterbury, both limits on number of cattle within water catchments, and monitoring of signature aquifers for increases in nitrates in particular, must be included in the plan. Specific comments: 7.D.5(d)(i) Wording: 'discharge thresholds during the duration ...' should be phrased 'discharge thresholds throughout the duration ...' otherwise compliance would not need to be continuous. 12.C.0.2(vi) The distance of 50 metres should be dependent on the volume of discharge; while 50 metres might be adequate for small to moderate volumes, it may not be adequate for large volumes of discharge, especially if these occur frequently. 12.C.0.4(v). As above, 50 metres is probably not an adequate distance for large volume and/or frequent discharges. 12.C.0.4(vi). Should include some provision for flow through highly permeable gravels/soils, where overland flow is not obvious, but flow is effectively unimpeded. 12.C.1.4(c) Again, the 50 metre distance should be volume dependent. 14.7.2.1(d) In all of parts (i), (iii) and (iv) the distance of 50 metres should be dependent on the volume of the waste system, intensity of its use (eg: how many months of the year) and on the porosity of the soil, similar to the provisions for disposal of human waste from septic tanks. 14.7.2. Restrictions: These should include control to be exercised in case of unacceptable smell emanating from the animal waste system. This is to protect both adjoining residences, other commercial activities that may be in close proximity. For example, vineyards with restaurants or tasting rooms, which may also be in rural areas. 7.D.9(c) This should include some indication of the criteria that will be used to set these minimum standards Glossary: I disagree that 'Intensive grazing' should be defined only as grazing on forage crops. The intensive rotational grazing in our area of Central Otago often involves alternation between pasture and forage crops. The definition needs to be more carefully constructed to include any grazing at high density, including, but not exclusive to, grazing on forage crops. 13.5.1.8A(b)(i) ALL cattle must be excluded from lake beds, not just dairy cattle. In much of Central Otago, beef cattle are more extensively farmed than dairy cattle, and are equally as destructive to rivers and lakes. They are also much more likely to be allowed to wander into remote places with pristine rivers and lakes. ALL cattle must be excluded from waterways, as in already the case in Marlborough.

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What decision would you like the Environment Court to make?

Position

Approve the plan change with amendments

Notes

Clause

Do you wish to be heard in support of your submission? All submissions will be considered by the Environment Court. Please indicate if you wish to be heard in support of your submission.

Position

I do not wish to be heard in support of my submission

Notes

Clause

Authority to act:

Position

I confirm I have the authority to sign this submission on behalf of the submitter

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