

ORC Omnibus Plan Change - Plan Change 8

Submission Reference no: 32

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Submitter Type: Not specified

Source: Web Form

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

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

Oppose

Notes

I think it is very excessive to have to fence off the creek that runs right through our property. For 4 months of the year over the summer period, the creek is usually dry and when it is at peak flow, it is only just over 1 meter wide. We are lightly stocked and do not damage the creek bed. We do dairy support in the winter but are able to minimise waterway damage with temporary electric fencing around the creek. The permanent fencing solution you are proposing will be extremely expensive and excessive for our farm and many others like us in the surrounding area.

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The reason(s) for my views are:

Notes

We are a 1000ha Central Otago, dryland sheep farm 5km out of Ranfurly township. We have a semi-arid climate with an annual rainfall of 400mls. We have 60ha under irrigation to help secure winter feed requirements. Due to this harsh climate, we are not heavily stocked and can use electric fencing for crops and irrigated pasture when required.

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What decision would you like the Environment Court to make?

Position

Approve the plan change with amendments

Notes

Use temporary electric fencing when required instead of permanent fencing.

Clause

The reasons for my view and/or any amendment(s) I am seeking are:

Notes

I believe I can maintain water quality with temporary electric fencing rather than permanent as it is a lot more practical. If we were to put permanent fences around all our waterways, the cost would be astronomical. It is simply not viable for a small dryland farm.

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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 wish to be heard in support of my submission

Notes**Clause**

Please indicate your choice(s) below. If you do not indicate your intention to call experts, you can change your mind later and decide to call experts to give evidence in relation to your submission, provided you do so in time to meet any procedural direction the Environment Court might make.

Position

If others make a similar submission I/we would consider presenting a joint case with them at a hearing

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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