

ORC Omnibus Plan Change - Plan Change 8

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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

My concern is that the Catchment of the Manuherekia provides high quality water in limited supply particularly in the summer months, which corresponds with the times of high water abstraction by the various landuse and landowners in the catchment.

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

Support

Notes

As the high quality waters flow from the tops in the catchment, down across private properties, the water quality diminishes, leaving the river and its aquatic ecosystems in a state of collapse. The community are left with a river they cannot use or be proud of. The economic gains by a few impact adversely on the whole community.

Clause

The reason(s) for my views are:

Notes

The intensive landuse zone between the ridges and the river are where the damage is done and continues to be the source of fresh water degradation in the Manuherekia.

Clause

What decision would you like the Environment Court to make?

Position

Approve the plan change

Notes

These plan [good practice] changes to the current nature of operation of farms and other landuses are part of a continuum of improvements needed to transfer the Environmental Cost back to the commercial operators.

Clause

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

Notes

While it is understandable to initiate Good Practice inside the farm gate, it is also important to give the Regional Authority the means to demonstrate how this might work in practice. Some form of financing for community groups to be formed and resourced to become part of the new improved regimes and practices on the farm. Maybe this would illustrate to the farming

community that the wider community are serious and support the changes needed.

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

Notes