

Public Notice

PLAN CHANGE 7 TO THE CANTERBURY LAND AND WATER REGIONAL PLAN

Pursuant to Clause 5 of the First Schedule of the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA), the Canterbury Regional Council (Environment Canterbury) has prepared, and gives public notice of, proposed Plan Change 7 to the Canterbury Land and Water Regional Plan (proposed Plan Change 7).

PROPOSED PLAN CHANGE 7

The Canterbury Land and Water Regional Plan is the statutory framework for the management of land and freshwater resources within the Canterbury region. Proposed Plan Change 7 comprises three parts (Parts A, B and C).

Part A of proposed Plan Change 7 is an "Omnibus" change, and introduces or amends:

- the region-wide framework of the Canterbury Land and Water Regional Plan in relation to the management of nutrients, the consideration of Ngāi Tahu values, habitats of indigenous freshwater species, water quality management, freshwater bathing sites, salmon spawning sites, managed aquifer recharge activities, and the regulation of plantation forestry, and proposes to make minor changes to sub-region sections of the Plan, including amendments to Section 13 of the plan to implement the recommendations of the Hinds Drains Working Party.

Part B of proposed Plan Change 7 primarily relates to the Orari Temuka Opihi Pareora sub-region, and introduces or amends:

- provisions in Section 14 (Orari-Temuka-Opihi-Pareora) of the Canterbury Land and Water Regional Plan to introduce catchment-specific freshwater outcomes, limits and provisions for the sub-region; and
- amends region-wide provisions in the Plan, insofar as they relate to the Orari Temuka Opihi Pareora sub-region.

Part C of proposed Plan Change 7 primarily relates to the Waimakariri sub-region and introduces or amends:

- provisions in Section 8 (Waimakariri) of the Canterbury Land and Water Regional Plan to introduce catchment-specific freshwater outcomes, limits and provisions for the Waimakariri sub-region; and
- amends region-wide provisions in the Plan, insofar as they relate to the Waimakariri sub-region.

Proposed Plan Change 7 also seeks to amend the Canterbury Land and Water Regional Plan Map Series (the Planning Maps).

INSPECTION AND AVAILABILITY OF PROPOSED PLAN CHANGE 7

A copy of proposed Plan Change 7 may be inspected on the Environment Canterbury website at ecan.govt.nz/lwrppc7.

If you do not have access to a personal computer, copies of proposed Plan Change 7 may be accessed online at public libraries. Alternatively, a CD containing a copy of proposed Plan Change 7 is available free of charge from Environment Canterbury. Please contact Customer Services on 0800 324 636 or by email to ecinfo@ecan.govt.nz if you would like to request a CD.

If you have any questions about proposed Plan Change 7, please contact Customer Services on 0800 324 636 or by email to ecinfo@ecan.govt.nz.

SUBMISSIONS

The following persons may make a submission on proposed Plan Change 7:

- The local authority in its own area may make a submission; and
- Any other person may make a submission but, if the person could gain an advantage in trade competition through the submission, the person may only make a submission if the person is directly affected by an effect of proposed Plan Change 7 that—

- adversely affects the environment; and
- does not relate to trade competition or the effects of trade competition.

You may make a submission by sending a written or an electronic submission to Environment Canterbury:

- via our electronic planning tool (ePlan) at ecan.govt.nz/lwrppc7; or
- by email to mailroom@ecan.govt.nz; or
- by post to PO Box 345, Christchurch, 8140.

The submission must be in accordance with Form 5 of the Resource Management (Forms, Fees, and Procedure) Regulations 2003, and you must state whether or not you wish to be heard on your submission. Copies of this form are available from Environment Canterbury.

Submissions on proposed Plan Change 7 close at **5pm on 13 September 2019**.

If you are considering making a submission on proposed Plan Change 7, you may also wish to consider whether you are affected by proposed Plan Change 2 to the Waimakariri River Regional Plan. Information relating to proposed Plan Change 2 can be accessed at ecan.govt.nz/lwrppc2.

PROCESS FOR PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The process for public participation in the consideration of proposed Plan Change 7 under the RMA is as follows:

- after the closing date for submissions, Environment Canterbury must prepare a summary of decisions requested by submitters and give public notice of the availability of this summary and where the summary and submissions can be inspected; and
- the following persons will have the opportunity to make a further submission in support of, or in opposition to, the submissions already made:
 - any person representing a relevant aspect of the public interest;
 - any person who has an interest in proposed Plan Change 7 greater than the general public has;
 - the local authority itself; and
- if a person making a submission asks to be heard in support of his or her submission, a hearing must be held; and
- Environment Canterbury must give its decision on the provisions and matters raised in the submissions (including its reasons for accepting or rejecting submissions) and give public notice of its decision within 2 years of notifying proposed Plan Change 7 and serve it on every person who made a submission at the same time; and
- any person who has made a submission has the right to appeal against the decision on proposed Plan Change 7 to the High Court, but only on a question of law, and only if in relation to a provision or matter that is the subject of the appeal, the person referred to the provision or matter in the person's submission on proposed Plan Change 7 (see section 25 of the Environment Canterbury (Transitional Governance Arrangements) Act 2016).

The address for service for Environment Canterbury is the same as the details referred to above in respect of lodging submissions.

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