

Otago Regional Council policy statement submission

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I implore the council to use COMMON SENSE in all policy decisions.

As a larger percentage of the global population becomes urban the community tolerates more the pollution and discharges on the basis the urban population is unable to afford sensible compliance infrastructure. Urban encroachment onto quality land gets covered in concrete and asphalt which direct the pollutants into the water bodies.

NZ rural is tasked with producing food for the nations wealth and does so very successfully. There have been quantum leaps in sustainability of food production unrecognisable to the shiny bottoms in the far off regulatory offices. Rural NZ needs policy that works and not communist lead regulation for state ownership and control.

NZ agriculture simply does not need throttling regulation such as pre-human/pristine standards at the same time as the community tolerates the excessive pollution from urbanisation.

A classic example is to cut off historical irrigation and stop new sustainable irrigation as the shiny seat urban policy dreamers prefer a different standard to any potential rural pollutants compared to their tolerance to urban pollution. There is a middle ground where irrigation serves the nation exceptionally well without compromise to the environment.

Current policy advocates attempt to remove wealth from the country with their brainless proposals which results in severe environmental degradation. Evidence is abound of this in all poorer countries.

In summary I implore the council to use COMMON SENSE in all policy decisions rather than the wokeness promoted by the inward navel gazing aspirations of the current civilisation wreckers we have in the offices of bureaucracy.

Signed

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