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I, Richard Goord, [REDACTED] a landowner and rate payer am most concerned and opposed to any proposed concept with regard to water control or management that provides power or privileges to any racial group. Water is a national resource for ALL NZ Citizens and local councils should NOT be obliged to consult with Iwi or anybody else in relation to water management issues. As a dry-stock farmer I am most concerned that potential restrictions of trade that are being imposed through the water management and nutrient run off regulations that are being imposed by ECAN in Canterbury. These disadvantage dry-stock farmers and potentially limit their livelihood. No way does one size fit all are a policy since soil types, lie of the land and other factors need to be taken into account on an individual property basis. Furthermore the nutrient content of rivers can be affected by local natural phenomenon other than nutrients applied from farming practices. Whilst proposed water management strategies require farmers to restrict access to rivers for their livestock this does not prevent deer, wild pigs and other animals accessing rivers. In times of drought historically, livestock from dry-stock farms have been able to access rivers and lakes without undue adverse impact on water quality. This should not be confused with pollution caused by dairying and dry-stock farmers should not be penalised by policies designed to control the latter. What about the pollution of our riverbeds that is caused by by freedom camping and human excitement. Why is it not proposed to regulate this? This potentially has an impact on human health due to Gardia that is beyond that caused by livestock from dry-stock farms accessing streams. Water management policy seems to fail to address this issue. Whilst water management and water quality are important issues policy should be balanced and fair and in the interests of ALL stakeholders. Richard Goord Claremont Farms Ltd. [REDACTED]