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Q1

Our Vision is: A district where biodiversity is protected and enhanced from the mountains to the sea (ki uta ki tai) by a community that values and cares for it. Think about what our district, thriving with biodiversity, could look like in 20 years' time. What do you see?

In 20 years with current methods, I can see almost total eradication of most insects, insect eating birds and wild animals, with the use of poisons that kill most species.

If any poison plan is put in place or used, the plan must only kill the target species and no other.

With current methods most insects, insect food dependents, birds that feed on poisoned carcases, animals that feed on poisoned carcases, non target animals, have already been killed.

I have witnessed the demise of widespread large populations of insects and dependents in the Ashburton Back Country.

A plan needs put in place to stop this happening. Time has come to stop ignoring that this is happening.

Q2

Respondent skipped this question

Do the goals and objectives of the strategy capture what you see as the key issues facing biodiversity in the district?

Q3

What do you see as the top five priorities from the objectives mentioned in the strategy? Tick up to five objectives:

Respondent skipped this question

Q4

Respondent skipped this question

We have identified 55 actions to reach the goals in the strategy. You can read about them in the Action Plan on pages 28 - 35 of the draft strategy. Is there any specific action or anything else Council should be doing to support biodiversity in the district? Note – Goals and objectives related to water quality for rivers, lakes and wetlands are regulated via the Canterbury Land and Water Regional Plan and therefore not part of this strategy.

Q5

Do you have any other comments or feedback?

Game Animals are a valuable asset and should be managed as such.

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Q6

Your contact details

Name

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Q7

Do you wish to speak in support of your submission at the hearing?

No - I do not wish to speak in support of my submission and ask that my written submission be fully considered.