



CWMS Implementation Programmes (ZIPS & RIP) – What have we learned so far?

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ZIP & RIP Statistics



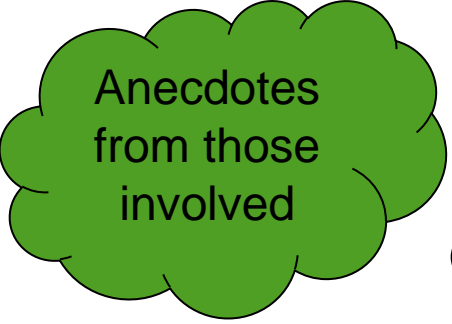
- 1** Completed and endorsed by Environment Canterbury & Hurunui District Council (Hurunui-Waiiau)
- 2** Progressing from draft to final after community engagement process (Ashburton and Waimakariri)
- 2** Out for community feedback (Selwyn-Waihora, Lower Waitaki Coastal Zone)
- 3** Under development (Regional Committee RIP and Orari-Opihi-Pareora & Upper Waitaki)
- 3** Not yet started ('new zones' – Kaikoura, Banks Peninsula, Christchurch-West Melton)

What have “we” learned?

Who is the “we”?

- Zone committee members
- Stakeholders
- Researchers
- Environment Canterbury Staff
- Commissioners

‘Anecdotes’ gained through conversations, presentations, questions...



Anecdotes
from those
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What has been achieved through the process of writing ZIPs & the RIP?

Zone & Regional Committees are choosing their own path, their own important issues, & innovative solutions

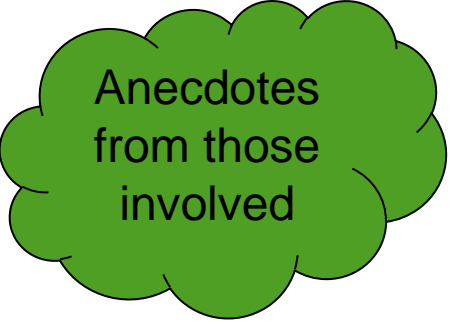
“Conversations are being driven by zone & regional committees rather than Environment Canterbury or Territorial Authority staff” ...

“Zone Committees are ‘owning’ ZIPs and defending them as ‘ours’” ... ZIPs use language of ‘we’, and ‘our’” ...

“There is a realisation that progress is not just about using rules/policies – many other actions and activities are possible” ...

“There are some innovative ideas and actions in the ZIPs” ...

“The amazing amount of work that the committee members have got through in such a short space of time”.



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Good development of relationships & partnerships, integration & collaboration

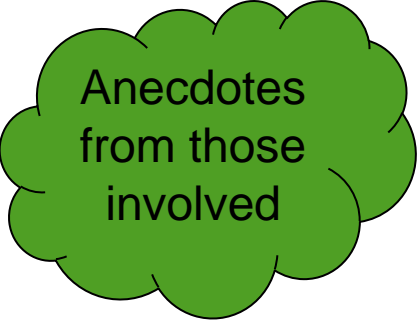
“The process is driving better integration at many levels” ...

“Good involvement of and relationships with runanga – lots of information sharing is taking place, and threading through of values” ...

“Great partnerships are being developed and coordination is occurring between agencies – the ZIP is a focal point for working together” ...

“Relationship building – committees are advocating for their area, talking to each other, and starting to understand each others’ perspectives and language” ...

“The good will of the stakeholders – some of whom have put a lot of time and energy into their submissions and meetings with the committee”



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continued...

Growing and improving community involvement

- “Good turn-outs at community meetings and workshops and these have shaped the recommendations in ZIPs” ...
- “Community leaders (those on zone committees), through the Zone Committee process, are getting a good shared understanding of other values, and feeding this into other areas.... It doesn't happen overnight” ...
- “The Lowland Streams/Lake Ellesmere sub-committee in particular held a very well attended workshop day that was reportedly very successful... It will be interesting to see if this different approach results in different levels of acceptance of the ZIP and Regional Plan”
- “The Committees are owning their ZIPs and are really committed to getting input and ideas from their communities”

Decision-making in hard spaces – emerging trends in ZIPs and the RIP

All the ZIPs (and forthcoming RIP) provide discussion and recommendations on CWMS targets. In all the ZIPs, some topics are prioritised for urgent action:

- Land use and Water Quality
- Kaitiakitanga woven through the ZIPs
- Specific places/rivers/lakes within zone that are ‘special’ – (~in Selwyn-Waihora - Te Waihora, lowland streams, braided rivers, high country, upper plains)
- Biodiversity
- Water supply and use (incl. ‘more’ water)
- Flow and allocation regimes

A few stories...

South Canterbury runanga reps met with surface and ground water scientists for two-way information sharing about water quantity

Runanga are actively involved

The sub-groups in all zones are getting into the 'nitty-gritty' and having some good discussions about key issues

The zone committees are debating the hard issues

District Councils are actively involved with the committees in policy support

Building relationships between Regional and District Councils

Committee members and communities are impressed with commissioner involvement

The commissioners are closely involved

Field-trip showed that we think differently & may use different words... but are more or less on the same page...

Zone committees are working well together

The CWMS is recognised by Central Govt – e.g. MAF tell any funding applicants they must be lined up with CWMS

The CWMS is nationally recognised

A few stories...

OOP chair got involved in a 'cows in the stream' incident, and is working closely with the farmer & the Waimakariri Committee are working directly with industry on point source discharge

The zone committees as mediators

S-W zone committee organised 11 scientists to answer their questions in a workshop

The zone committee are driving the process

H-W zone committee members ringing up fertiliser companies & developers, asking them to be part of the process.

The zone committee are actively out there opening doors

Ashburton zone committee worked with the community to identify how the Hakatere/Ashburton River can be restored to health

The zone committee working with communities

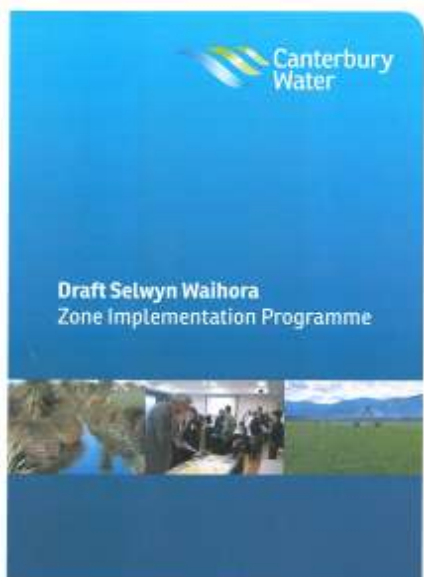
Lower Waitaki zone committee worked with community and ECan to develop ways to help restore Wainono Lagoon

The zone committees setting priorities for their zones

A local irrigation company is already implementing recommendations from the draft ZIP about stock access to water races

The ZIPs are driving change

Thank you



The image shows the cover of a report titled "Draft Selwyn Waihora Zone Implementation Programme". The cover has a blue background. At the top right is the "Canterbury Water" logo, which consists of three stylized wavy lines in shades of green and blue. Below the logo, the title "Draft Selwyn Waihora Zone Implementation Programme" is written in white text. At the bottom of the cover, there are two small inset photographs: the left one shows a group of people standing in a field, and the right one shows a wide view of a green landscape with a body of water in the distance.