25. Water

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	General		
56.17 Jenny Campbell	General	The submitter supports the emphasis on stormwater but believes all stormwater drains need to be labelled with a sign to remind people about not putting inappropriate materials down them. The submitter believes public awareness campaigns on water quality and quantity issues are essential.	Not stated.
56.24 Jenny Campbell	General	The submitter suggests that people could be encouraged to install water tanks for rain water to be collected and used for gardens and other outdoor activities.	Not stated.
67.4 ICC Drainage Manager	General	Support. The submitter supports the intention of the Plan in regard to stormwater management	Support
105.5 ICC – Environmental Health and Compliance Services	General	The submitter commends the proactive approach to improving and maintaining water supplies in the district, particularly in relation to drinking water	Support
116.6 Kylie Fowler	General	The submitter acknowledges water is a precious commodity and suggests that the collection and storage of rainwater should be permitted without a resource consent	Not stated.
SECTION 2.18 – IS	SUES, OBJECTIVE	S AND POLICIES	
	General		
18.87 Environment Southland	Objective 1, Policies 1, 4, 6 and Methods 4 and 9	Support	Retain
65.42 ICC Environmental and Planning Services	Background	Support subject to amendment. The submitter considers the term water collection is preferable to water harvesting	Amend background: "In non-reticulated areas water needs to be harvested collected and stored"

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	2.18.2 Objectives		
77.55 Te Runaka o Waihopai and Te Runaka o Awarua	Objectives 1 and 2	Support	Retain
88.19 Federated Farmers	Objectives 1 and 2	Support in part. The submitter believes that Invercargill City Council has no regulatory role to play in the management or allocation of the district's water resources. Further, any non-regulatory approaches adopted by the Invercargill City Council must be aligned with Environment Southland and the Regional Water Plan for Southland.	That Council distinguish between the roles and responsibilities of the Invercargill City Council and Environment Southland in relation to water. It is unreasonable to expect ratepayers to try to determine how the water policies of the two councils fit together – this should be explicit.
71.26 NZAS Ltd	Objective 2	Support in part. The submitter considers that this is confusion by the use of the term community water supply schemes, particularly where later in the Plan there is wording referring to the Tiwai Aluminium Smelter using a community drinking water supply. The submitter notes that there is no definition for this term in the Plan. The submitter is concerned that this could be interpreted as meaning that the water supply could be accessed by the community, which is incorrect.	Amend reference to "community drinking water supplies" and "community water supply schemes" with a reference to "non-Council water supply schemes" with a corresponding definition OR Clarify what is meant by the term "community"
	2.18.3 Policies		
71.27 NZAS Ltd	Policy 2 Catchment areas	Oppose in part. The submitter is concerned with the explanation where it refers to the community drinking water supply at Tiwai Aluminium Smelter. The submitter considers there is a need to define this term. The submitter also notes that the aquifer used by the aluminium smelter is not only used for drinking water but also for general operations.	Amend the explanation as follows: "Tiwai Aluminium Smelter and Myross Bush School are two examples current users of community non-Council water supply schemes drinking water supplies, with the water taken by bore."
77.56 Te Runaka o Waihopai and Te Runaka o Awarua	Policy 2 Catchment Areas	Support in part, The submitter notes that water quality is extremely important to lwi, and considers that the current wording allows for uncertainty	Amend Policy 2 by removing: "where practicable"
88.20 Federated Farmers	Policy 2 - Catchment Areas	Support in part. The submitter considers that legitimate and appropriate uses of land can impact on water quality and quantity and	Amend the wording of the policy as follows:

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		this may be unavoidable for practical or economic reasons. The submitter believes that in such situations, landowners must be able to continue to utilise their land productively, consistent with the RMA's 'avoid, remedy or mitigate' and ensuring an appropriate balance of values are considered.	"Policy 2 Catchment areas: To ensure land use practices within the catchment areas of community water supply schemes avoid wherever practicable, or remedy or mitigate where practicable, adverse effects on water quantity and water quality."
77.57 Te Runaka o Waihopai and Te Runaka o Awarua	Policy 3 – Effects on Water Quantity	Support	Retain
65.43 ICC Environmental and Planning Services	Policy 4 Effects on water quality	Support in part. The submitter considers that the explanation should be expanded to also cover issues such as the effects of poor water quality on natural habitats	Expand explanation to refer to the effects of poor water quality in respect to its life supporting capacity and the habitats relying on it.
77.58 Te Runaka o Waihopai and Te Runaka o Awarua	Policy 4 Effects on water quality	Strongly support	Retain
24.43 South Port NZ Ltd	Policy 6 – Coastal Water	Oppose. The submitter considers that this policy covers matters within the jurisdiction of the regional council.	Delete the policy
77.59 Te Runaka o Waihopai and Te Runaka o Awarua	Policy 6 Coastal Water	Strongly support	Retain
101.1 NZ Fire Service Commission	Policy 7 Fire Hazard	Support. The submitter states that compliance with this will assist it to carry out its duties effectively and efficiently	Retain
	2.18.4 Methods of Implementation		
77.60 Te Runaka o Waihopai and	All methods	Support	Retain

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Te Runaka o Awarua			
101.2 NZ Fire Service Commission	Method 1	Support. The submitter states that compliance with this will assist it to carry out its duties effectively and efficiently	Retain
101.3 NZ Fire Service Commission	Method 3	Support. The submitter states that compliance with this will assist it to carry out its duties effectively and efficiently	Retain
88.21 Federated Farmers	Method 4	Oppose. The submitter believes it is unclear what the 'assessment' might involve, and what standards, if any, might need to be met if this method was implemented. The submitter is concerned that the method would be overly burdensome for landowners undertaking legitimately established rural land uses.	Delete this method.
88.22 Federated Farmers	Method 6 and Method 7	Support.	Not stated
18.88 Environment Southland	Method 9	Strongly supported	Retain