

LTCCP 2006-16 Submission - Received by Email

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Sent:	lake.isaac@yahoo.co.nz
Your Submission:	<p>Lake Isaac nm</p> <p>Hello</p> <p>I would like to voice my opinion that Lake Isaac would be a huge asset for the city of Christchurch.</p> <p>Last year I was the Coach/Manager of the New Zealand Sprint Kayak team. Last year we traveled to kayak regatta's held on similar facilities to the proposed Lake Isaac. We traveled to courses in Poland, Germany, Austria, Czech Rep, and Croatia. Each of these venues all had several things in common. One of those things was the use of the near by city made of them. They were very popular summer areas where large cross of the city visited and used for relaxing and sporting activities. Of course they attracted the worlds best athletes as well.</p> <p>Christchurch has a golden chance to get a world class course in the city and then the ability to attract major events. The other world class courses are too far away from a city and or an international airport. Ben Fouhy who traveled with us is often asking me when the course is going ahead. He sees a benefit in Christchurch getting such a course, of course he would prefer it in Auckland. Potentially it could change the base of sprint kayaking.</p> <p>Kayak Racing New Zealand has put a proposal to Olympic federation to now have Oceania qualifying for Olympics (currently we have to qualify in Europe) which means it would likely to be held in Sydney as it needs to be close to international ports and airports. Christchurch would also meet this spec as well.</p> <p>Please consider the advantages to the city and keep Canterbury at the head of the sports groups in New Zealand by helping build such a great facility in our city.</p> <p>Grant Restall 87b Whaka Tce Huntsbury Christchurch</p>