

LTCCP 2006-16 Submission - Received by Email

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Your Submission:

Lake Isaac -Submission to City Council nm

I am a parent of a 16 year old secondary school rower.

The rowers train 6 days a week ,on the water before school (between 6am. and 7 am.) and after school also, (between 3.30pm. and 7pm.)

One weekday morning I counted 30 boats on Kerrs Reach between 6am. and 7 am. This was a surprise to me! The commitment , the numbers of rowers(some of the boats were 8 oared) and the congestion. So many boats on such a narrow stretch of water must cause concern from a safety point of view.

I am taking Friday and Monday off work this weekend so that I can go down to Twizel to assist as a house parent, helping to look after some of the 30 rowers from our school who have been training to compete in the 5 regattas at Lake Ruataniwha at Twizel this season .. This is a major expense , to make the three hour trip from Ch Ch to Twizel , set up a base in Twizel for the weekend and then travel back to Ch Ch, all for a weekends racing. 5 times a season . If we had Lake Isaac I would be saved considerable expense and time away from my home.

I support the submission to develop Lake Isaac because the increased numbers of rowers require a better facility than Kerrs Reach . Lake Isaac would reduce the necessity to make a 3 hour drive to Twizel transporting boats and hundreds of rowers and accomodating them away from home . Thus saving a significant amount of money for each of the rowing families.

Everyone associated with sport can see the advantage of Lake Isaac to the citizens of Christchurch. We are a bigger and more prosperous town than 40 years ago lets be positive and confident that in future years there will be just as many if not more rowers training in Christchurch. We have to develop a better rowing facility, just as we have had to develop more parks for sport ,over the last 40 years. Lake Isaac is our answer.

YES TO DEVELOPING LAKE ISAAC. !!

Yours Faithfully,

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