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I wish to talk to the main points in my written submission at the hearings to be held between Monday 11 May 2009 and Monday 18 May 2009.

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For yourself

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Your Submission:

I would like the Council to define the highly fertile soils surrounding the city and protect them against residential or commercial subdivision. These soils i.e. Waimakariri silt loam require minimal irrigation and fertilisers to produce vegetable crops. Some of these soils have become exhausted after over 100 years of vegetable growing. Pastoral farming rejuvenates these soils while producing valuable fat stock or baleage and hay. Consents affecting neighbours negatively should be notified.