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I do NOT wish to present my submission at the hearing, and ask that this written submission be considered

Are you completing this submission:

For yourself

If you are representing, how many people do you represent?

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Your Submission:

Congratulations to the Christchurch City Council for initiating the potential purchase of Teoka Farm.
My family and I have owned 2.1 hectare in the floor of the Teoka bay valley for 19 years.
We value the southern bays environment and see it's potential for making a fantastic recreational reserve for Christchurch.
The Southern bays are unique in that it is sparsely populated.
My family has been restoring natives and removing exotics trees, (mostly rotting willows), along the river banks on our property. We have a good sized mature stand of native bush already and are currently increasing this area.

POINTS TO ADDRESS:

- 1: The road needs widening with more passing spots coming into and out of the main beach areas. Especially the stretch between Tumbledown beach and to the top of the Teoka spur.
- 2: A signed 30km speed limit on the gravel road side. The tow truck in little river is regularly called to tow accident vehicles out.
- 3: Enhancement of the natives on the road side would be good. Plus removal of a few pine trees. The road contractor currently wacks the bush back too hard and spoils the native experience.
- 4: Public composting toilets in Teoka bay beach area should be considered. Also a fresh water tap-maybe spring fed.
5. Planting Teoka forshore for shade and enhancement.
6. The Teoka river cuts across the whole bay and makes for difficult beach access. The farmer sometimes allows the stock to graze on the foreshore-sometimes bulls which are unpredictable and foul the river. The river would be best diverted out to sea further away towards the east end.
7. Walking tracks rediscovered. The tramping track that was being used up to 5 years ago could easily be reopened.

8. The tumbledown, Teoka spur is fantastic for mountain biking and is more or less rideable now with little input needed.

9: The Little River Waiwera Rununga owns the farm you drive through to get to Tumbledown beach. I believe they are wanting to encourage the natural environment plus keep a low intensity grade farm going. It would be good if the CCC and the local Rununga could work together for the common good of the area. There could be many benefits in doing so.