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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.

Are you completing this submission:	On behalf of a group or organisation
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If you are representing, how many people do you represent?	50+
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Your Submission:	<p>As a Charitable Trust engaged in breeding the three most endangered species of Kiwi at Willowbank we are constantly struggling for funding and other forms of support for preventing the extinction of these South Island Kiwi. The Trust is also engaged in protection of the environment and biodiversity issues by initiating a large predator trapping programme in the Craigieburn Forest Park.</p> <p>We believe that the combination of this initiative with the successful breeding activities will benefit all New Zealanders and the people of Canterbury specifically as the Education Programmes we run in schools are exceptionally well received.</p> <p>This year we have bred and raised 74 new Kiwi which will ultimately be released back into the wild.</p> <p>Next breeding season we expect to double that figure and so on until the species is removed from the brink of extinction.</p> <p>Our ability to be successful in this venture is entirely dependent on funding the Trust's activities which are based on leased land at Willowbank.</p> <p>All the management and infrastructure development has been provided by voluntary contribution and this situation would not change as all funding we can secure will contribute to animal husbandry matters not salaries.</p> <p>Any assistance you can offer would be of enormous assistance.</p> <p>Thankyou for this opportunity.</p>
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