

TRANSFORMING AOTEAROA

The Government's Environmental Reform Agenda



CONFERENCE PROGRAMME

Pre-conference Workshop: Wednesday 4 August, Limes Room, Christchurch Town Hall

1.00pm	<p>SESSION 1: FRESHWATER CHALLENGES</p> <p>Chair: Katherine Trought, Director of Strategy, Environment Canterbury Regional Council (5 mins)</p> <p><i>How to Operationalise Te Mana o Te Wai</i>, Vanessa Tipoki, Planner, Perception Planning (15 mins)</p> <p><i>Nitrates and Public Health</i>, Dr Tim Chambers, Senior Research Fellow, Dept of Public Health, University of Otago (15 mins)</p> <p><i>Science-Based Limits and the NPSFM</i>, Dr Scott Larned, Chief Scientist, Fresh Water and Estuaries, NIWA (15 mins)</p> <p><i>Freshwater Hearings and What to Expect</i>, Professor Peter Skelton, Chief Freshwater Commissioner (15 mins)</p> <p>Panel discussion: How do we keep on track? (45 mins)</p> <p>Dr David Burger, Strategy and Investment Leader, DairyNZ</p> <p>Donna Flavell, Chair, Freshwater Iwi Advisors Group</p> <p>Ray Grubb, Chairman, Fish and Game</p> <p>Stu Muir, Dairy Farmer</p> <p>Marnie Prickett, Campaigner, Choose Clean Water</p>
2.50pm	<p>AFTERNOON TEA (30 mins)</p>
3.20pm	<p>SESSION 2: FORESTY AND THE FUTURE OF BANKS PENINSULA</p> <p>Chair: Andrew Turner, Deputy Mayor, Christchurch City Council (5 mins)</p> <p><i>Natives, Pines and Policy Settings</i>, Dr Susan Secker, Manager, Forestry Operational Policy, Ministry for Primary Industries (15 mins)</p> <p><i>Restorative Carbon Forestry on the Banks Peninsula</i>, Dr Sean Weaver, CEO and Founder, EKOS (15 mins)</p> <p><i>ETS and Native Regeneration on Banks Peninsula</i>, Suky Thompson, Trust Manager, Rod Donald Banks Peninsula Trust (15 mins)</p> <p>Panel discussion: What policies are required to protect and restore Banks Peninsula? (40 mins)</p> <p>Craig Pauling, Councillor, Environment Canterbury</p> <p>Dr Tim Payn, Scientist, Forest ecology and Management, Scion</p> <p>Pam Richardson, Federated Farmers</p> <p>Cordelia Woodhouse, Solicitor, Environmental Defence Society</p>
4.50pm	<p>DRINKS, INFORMAL DISCUSSION</p>

Foundation Sponsors

ChristchurchNZ



Ministry for the
Environment
Manatū Mō Te Taiao



**Environment
Canterbury**
Regional Council
Kaunihera Taiao ki Waitaha

Conference Day One: Thursday 5 August, James Hay Theatre, Christchurch Town Hall

8.30am	OPENING Mihi whakatau Welcome & Conference Overview: Gary Taylor, CEO, Environmental Defence Society (10 mins)
9.00am	SESSION 1: AOTEAROA NEW ZEALAND: OUR LAND, OUR OCEANS Chair: Vicky Robertson, Secretary for the Environment (15 mins) International Keynote: <i>Systems Transition and Positive Change</i> , Professor Robert Costanza, Crawford School of Public Policy, Australia National University (30 mins Q&A 10 mins) <i>A Visual Tour of Our Lands and Waters</i> , Gaye Searancke, CEO, Toitū Te Whenua Land Information New Zealand (15 mins)
10.15am	MORNING TEA
10.45am	SESSION 2: LAND-USE IN TRANSITION Chair: Julie Collins, Deputy Director-General Policy and Trade, Ministry for Primary Industries (5 mins) International keynote: <i>Sustainable Land Use: Aligning Biodiversity, Climate and Food Policies</i> , Dr Simon Buckle, Head of Climate Change, Biodiversity and Water, OECD (20 mins) <i>Essential Freshwater – Beyond Implementation</i> , Nadeine Dommissie, Deputy Secretary, Sustainable Land Use, Ministry for the Environment (15 mins) <i>The Scale of Change for Land Use Transition</i> , Dr Mike Joy, Senior Research Fellow, Victoria University of Wellington (15 mins) <i>Integrated Farming Systems and Māori Land Use Change</i> , Dr Tanira Kingi, Research Leader Primary Sector, Scion (15 mins) <i>The Mindset to Farm within Planetary Limits</i> , Corrigan Sowman, Uruwhenua Farms, Nuffield Scholar (15 mins) Panel discussion: <i>What actions are required to transition to sustainable land use?</i> (45 mins) Dr David Gawith, Advisor, Castalia Dr Suzie Greenhalgh, Portfolio Leader, Society, People and Policy, Landcare Research Lain Jager, Co-Chair, Te Puna Whakaaronui Trish Kirkland-Smith, Head of Environmental Partnerships, Fonterra Co-Operative Ltd Jen Miller, GM, Conservation Advocacy & Communications, Forest & Bird
1.00pm	LUNCH
2.00pm	SESSION 3: RESOURCE MANAGEMENT REFORM Chair: Amelia Linzey, Chief Planner, Beca (5 mins) <i>The Vision for Reform</i> , Hon Tony Randerson QC, Chair, Resource Management Reform Panel (30 mins) <i>Environmental Limits</i> , Greg Severinsen, Senior Policy Advisor, Environmental Defence Society (15 mins) <i>Role of Māori in the New System</i> , Jade Wikaira, Managing Director, Wikaira Consulting (15 mins) <i>What can Spatial Planning Deliver for the Environment?</i> , James Palmer, CEO, Hawkes Bay Regional Council (15 mins) Panel discussion: <i>How can the resource management reforms really achieve better outcomes for the environment?</i> (30 mins) Rob Enright, Barrister Mary Hill, President, RMLA Kirk Hope, Chief Executive, Business NZ Dayle Hunia, Management Consultant, Kotuku Systems
3.45pm	AFTERNOON TEA
4.15pm	SESSION 4: TOURISM REFORM Chair: Gary Taylor, CEO, Environmental Defence Society <i>Tourism Reform: Stepping Beyond Sustainable Tourism</i> , Professor David Simmons, Emeritus Professor of Tourism, Lincoln University (20 mins + 10 mins Q&A)
4.45 pm	SESSION 5: POLITICAL UPDATE Chair: Gary Taylor, CEO, Environmental Defence Society (10mins) Speaker: <i>The Government's Reform Agenda</i> , Hon David Parker, Minister for the Environment and Minister of Oceans and Fisheries (20 mins + Q&A 10mins)
5.30pm	DRINKS

7.00pm – 9.00pm	CONFERENCE DINNER Moderator: Sue Simons, Partner and Founder, Berry Simons (10 mins) Dinner speaker: A personal valedictory by Lou Sanson, outgoing Director-General, Department of Conservation (20 mins)
-----------------	---

Conference Day Two: Friday 6 August, James Hay Theatre, Christchurch Town Hall

7.00am	SESSION 6: BREAKFAST SESSION (Limes Room) Transforming Our Oceans: Conserving 30%, Redefining Use of 70% Chair: Grant Rosewarne CEO, King Salmon (5 mins) Speaker: Adena Leibman, Senior Oceans Policy Manager, Environmental Defense Fund (10 mins) Speaker: Dr Chris Cornelisen, GM, Coastal and Oceans Fisheries (10 mins) Panel discussion, Q&A (20 mins) Dr Serean Adams, Aquaculture Group Manager, Cawthron Nigel Bradly, CEO, EnviroStrat Dr Chris Cornelisen GM, Coastal and Oceans Fisheries, Cawthron
8.30am	SESSION 7: OCEANS AND FISHERIES REFORM Chair: Julie Hall, Director, Sustainable Seas Challenge (5 mins) <i>A Vision for Our Oceans and Fisheries</i> , Volker Kuntzch, CEO, Cawthron (15 mins) <i>The Role of Māori in Oceans and Fisheries Reform</i> , Rangimarie Hunia, Chair, Te Ohu Kai Moana (15 mins) <i>The Key Building Blocks of Oceans Reform</i> , Raewyn Peart, Policy Director, EDS (20 mins) Panel discussion: <i>What are the key elements of oceans and fisheries reform?</i> (40 mins) Dr Glen Carbines, Fisheries & Environmental Scientist, Saltwater Science LTD Dr Jeremy Helson, Chief Executive, Seafood NZ Mahuika Matanuku, Partner and Chair, Kahui Legal Dr Russell Norman, Chief Executive, Greenpeace NZ
10.00am	MORNING TEA
10.30am	SESSION 8: POLITICAL UPDATE Chair: Raewyn Peart, Policy Director, Environmental Defence Society (2 mins) Speaker: <i>The Government's Conservation Reform Agenda</i> , Hon Kiritapu Allan, Minister of Conservation (20 mins + Q&As 10 mins)
11.00am	SESSION 9: CONSERVATION REFORM Chair: Bruce Parkes, Deputy Director-General for Policy & Visitors, Department of Conservation (5 mins) <i>Current Issues within the Conservation Management System</i> , Dr Deirdre Koolen-Bourke, Senior Policy Researcher, Environmental Defence Society (15 mins) <i>Strengthening the Role of Māori with Conservation Land and Waters</i> , Professor Jacinta Ruru, University of Otago (15 mins) <i>Better Regulation of the Tourism-Conservation Interface</i> , Valentina Dinica, Associate Professor, Victoria University of Wellington (15 mins) Panel discussion: <i>What should be the key elements of conservation reform?</i> (40 mins) Dr Maria Bargh, Adaptive Governance and Policy Co-lead, BioHeritage NZ Edward Ellison, Chair, Ngāi Tahu, former member of High-Country Advisory Group, LINZ Kevin Hague, GM Conservation, Forest & Bird Rebecca McLeod, Chair, Fiordland Marine Guardians Chris Roberts, Chief Executive, Tourism Industry Aotearoa
12.30pm	LUNCH

1.30pm	SESSION 10: THE FUTURE OF THE HIGH COUNTRY Chair: Lan Pham (5 mins) <i>Farming the High Country</i> , Kate Cocks and Kate Scott (20 mins) <i>Agricultural Land-Use in the High Country</i> , Philip Grove, Science Team Leader, Land Ecology, Environment Canterbury (15 mins) <i>The Future of the High Country's Indigenous Biodiversity</i> , Dr Susan Walker, Research Programme Leader, Landcare Research (15 mins) Panel Discussion: What reforms are needed in the High Country? (40 mins) Edward Ellison, Chair, Ngāi Tahu, former member of High-Country Advisory Group, LINZ Ray Grubb, Chair, Fish & Game Craig Harris, Commissioner of Crown Lands, Toitū Te Whenua Land Information New Zealand Dr Gerry McSweeney, Former Pastoral Lessee and Co-Owner Wilderness Lodge Arthur's Pass Dave Maslen, GM Markets and sustainability, Merino NZ
3.00pm	SESSION 11: POLITICAL DEBATE Chair: Gary Taylor (10 mins) <i>Let's Take Action! A visual tour of the environmental impacts of land use practices in Aotearoa New Zealand</i> , Geoff Reid, Filmmaker (20 mins) Political Panel: <i>How are we going to clean up our act?</i> (40 mins + 10 mins Q&A) Rachel Brooking, MP, Labour Party Simon Court, MP, ACT Party Spokesperson on Environment Hon Eugenie Sage, Green Party spokesperson for Environment, Conservation, Forestry, Oceans and Fisheries Hon Scott Simpson, National Party spokesperson for Environment and RMA
4.30pm	SESSION 12: CLOSING REMARKS Rt Hon Simon Upton, Parliamentary Commissioner for the Environment (30 mins)
5.00pm	CLOSE

Gold Sponsor



Silver Sponsors



Bronze Sponsors



Dinner Sponsor



Session Sponsors



Coffee Cart Sponsor



After Session Drinks Sponsor

