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A new Submission on Proposed Plan Change to the Mackenzie District Plan has been received.

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relates to are as follows: I support / oppose these I support in part provisions:

The reason(s) for my submission are:	The Mackenzie District is home to Mt John Observatory and some of the best night skies in the world. As an astrophysicist, I will of course support the protection of night skies for their scientific value. Beyond astronomy, it is important to note that the Mackenzie's pristine landscapes have become a public resource that generates significant revenue for the community (e.g. through astrotourism). In this context it is important to protect this resource through broad, comprehensive legislation when it comes to light pollution. The proposed policies on outdoor lighting do not include lighting on agricultural equipment, especially strobe lights on pivot irrigators. The use of irrigation equipment has dramatically increased over the past decade, and the associated strobe lighting has become a disturbance to the nighttime landscapes of the Mackenzie District.
I seek the following decision from the Mackenzie District Council: I do or do not wish to be heard in support of my submission: If others	Broaden legislative protection of the night sky by banning light pollution caused by artificial lighting on irrigation and agricultural equipment. This requires: Amending the language of LIGHT-O1, specifically broadening Light R1 ("Outdoor Lighting") to include strobe lights on agricultural equipment.
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