



MAF's involvement in CWMS

- **MAF involved initially following 1999 drought**
- **Minister progressed in 2009**
- **Steering group representation**
- **Staff time**
 - Link to central government
 - Knowledge of issues
 - Expertise





How does MAF view the CWMS?

- Overarching driver is integrity of food production
- A sound, systems-based, durable approach to water management in Canterbury
- Important elements
 - collaboration
 - effective governance
 - incentivising efficiency
 - environmental gains and addressing legacy issues
 - higher productivity
 - planning for integration





What will it mean?

- **Commitment continues**
 - Regional Committee ex officio
 - enshrined in Canty legislation
 - nested into next stages of water reform
- **Learnings on national issues**
 - iwi involvement
 - nutrient management
 - allocation approaches
 - nature of supply entity
 - local and self-governance
 - innovative approaches
- **Inclusion = ownership, trust and innovation**

