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Mayoral ignorance

It was astonishing to read of Kaikoura and Waimakiriri mayors favouring a continuance of the Government-run Environment Canterbury.

It is now three years since the democratically elected ECan was demolished by the Government. The Government then showed a total disdain for democracy that continued two years later, pushing elections out to 2016.

Neither the Government or Kaikoura and Waimakiriri mayors appear to have any respect for democracy.

ECan is nothing more than a state puppet to satisfy the wish to exploit water resources, namely the public's rivers, to mostly meet the money-driven wishes of corporate dairy farming interests.

It's ironic in one way that a free-market government filches democracy and installs a state-run council. But then the end justifies the means I guess since the beneficiaries are the wealthy

corporates and probably members of, or donors to, the National Party.

The arrogance of government and the ignorance of the two mayors is sad.

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