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Q1	Select the chapter you want to provide feedback on
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Q2	In general, to what extent do you support the contents of this chapter?
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	LIGHT – LIGHT-S4 Artificial Sky Glow
Q4	Feedback/Comments
	<p>I refer to the Ahuriri Arm of Lake Benmore, map attached. As a former local who grew up in the valley and who has had a home there for the past 30 years, I've observed the increase of pivot irrigators in the area. At night these pivots have continuous flashing lights which are a visual irritation when viewing the night sky. The topography of the valley combined with spectacular night skies are features that make this a very special site for star-gazing. The valley is in a light sensitive environment and there needs to be protection from artificial sky glow. The attached map shows areas where pivot irrigators have grown in numbers over the past few years.</p> <p>I note the WDC plan seeks 'to protect night sky values by controlling light pollution in light sensitive environments where their natural values and qualities may be affected by artificial light, including the townships of Lake Ōhau, Ōmārama, Otematata, Kakanui and Moeraki, and open space areas, such as Cape Wanbrow'.</p> <p>Under the new plan I request the WDC include protection of the night sky values to include the area of the Ahuriri Arm of Lake Benmore, and require pivot irrigators to have shielded down facing lights to minimise artificial sky glow.</p>
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