

Southland Regional Council  
(known as Environment Southland)  
Eastern-Dome Constituency  
Electing 2 Regional Councillors

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**David STEVENS**

My principal place of residence is in the Eastern-Dome Constituency area.

I wish to stand in the Environment Southland elections.

I farm at Balfour with Lynley running a Deer Stud/Arable farm, with dairy grazing in past

years.

Community Involvement: Balfour Primary BOT, 10 yrs; Southland Girls High BOT, 9 yrs; Southland Deer Farmers Executive, President 3 yrs; NZ Deer Farmers Assn President 2 yrs, Council 4 yrs; NSVS Incorporated Chairman; Southland Rural Support Trust Trustee; Balfour Groundwater Group since 2007.

The implementation of the Water and Land Plan is the biggest challenge undertaken by Environment Southland with environmental, economic and social consequences impacting on rural and urban communities for generations. Issues must be identified with good science and carefully managed with sensible solutions. Having attended ES Farmer Steering Group meetings, I understand the serious impact on farming. If elected I intend to represent all sectors to the best of my ability, be approachable and open to discussion at any time.