Braided rivers land use change

- Issues
- CWMS targets
- Action
Mid-Waiau 2005
Mid-Waiau 2015
Harper River 2006
Wilberforce River 2016
Canterbury Water Management Strategy Targets

- Maintain the braided character of all Canterbury’s braided rivers by:
  - Target 1: Maintaining the upper catchments of Canterbury’s alpine braided rivers as largely natural ecosystems and landscapes.
  - Target 2: Maintaining the extent of active floodplains, flow variability and sediment flow processes including when undertaking river protection works, land-use change or deliberate vegetation stabilisation.
  - Target 3: Supporting the dynamics of river mouths and coastal processes.
  - Target 4: No new dams on the main stem of major alpine braided rivers.
Action

• Braided Rivers Agencies / Action Group
  o DoC, LINZ, Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu, District Council, Environment Canterbury, Federated Farmers, Fish & Game, Forest & Bird
    o Comprehensive mapping project
    o Improving and aligning practice
Rangitata

- Land parcels
- Leases / licences
- Land use
• Environment Canterbury work programme
  o Riverbed area
  o Natural character assessment
  o Biodiversity
  o Planning – Land and Water Regional Plan: Plan Change 4
  o Compliance & enforcement
  o Science - ‘braidplain’
Questions?