

Water Conservation Order: Te Waikoropupū Springs and Associated Waterbodies

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Overall Notes:

Clause

What is/are your view/s on the application?

Position

Support

Notes

Nick Smith said it well: "The Waikoropupū Springs are a widely treasured and unique water body that attracts 90,000 visitors each year. The uniquely purple-blue water has a clarity of 63m due to the confined Mt Arthur karst aquifer through which it passes. These springs are part of what gives Golden Bay, Nelson and New Zealand a strong environmental reputation, and we must ensure they are protected for future generations."

Clause

I/we seek the following recommendation from the Special Tribunal to the Minister for the Environment

Position

Grant the order

Notes

The science suggests that increasing irrigation-water uptake WILL harm this outstanding natural resource. The threat of this happening warrants a hold on all further water extraction until the hydrology of the aquifer are better understood.

Clause

Would you like to present your views on this submission to the Special Tribunal at a public hearing?

Position

I/we do not want to present my/our views at a public hearing

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