

Water Conservation Order: Te Waikoropupū Springs and Associated Waterbodies

Submission Reference no: 86

Tipene Makatea, **Tipene Makatea**

Submitter Type: Individual

Source: Web Form

Overall Notes:

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The specific parts of the application that my/our submission relates to are:

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The whole application. I would add that the Government and the Council have a responsibility to cut CO2 emissions according to the Paris Agreement 2015. A large proportion of our emissions are due to cows so farmer's and their corporations already need to cut back on intensification now! I can't see any reasonable, responsible alternative but to grant the protection of these water aquifers and their waterways. I believe these waters and the aquifers are Taonga and are protected per Te Tiriti o Waitangi 1840. It is the iwi who hold it as their Taonga and therefore the Government's responsibility to respect their wishes and protect it no matter what previous capitalist Government's have said regarding ownership of water it is a Taonga and therefore protected. You can't make fresh water once it's polluted without a cost. Is making money for farmer's and their investors going to help the country in the longer term? I say no it isn't.

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

Position

Support

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

Position

Grant the order

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People need fresh water to survive, this water is unique in its purity in the world. Let's keep it that way!

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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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I support the view of the applicants.