

Water Conservation Order: Te Waikoropupū Springs and Associated Waterbodies

Submission Reference no: 1842

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Submitter Type: Individual

Source: Email

Overall Notes:

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

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I support the Forest & Bird submission to grant the application. In particular I support measures for the wider catchment which will protect: the water clarity and purity the scientific, ecological and biodiversity values habitat for indigenous flora and fauna cultural values wild, scenic and natural characteristics My submission relates to all of the application. I support the application. I seek that the Special Tribunal recommends granting the order to the Minister of the Environment. I do not want to present my views at the public hearing.

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

Position

Support

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We need to stop putting profit before the environment, and to think about the long-term effects of short-term actions. Our world is overpopulated and already we are seeing the effects of imbalance caused by increased human activity and the associated pollution. Even in preserving Te Waikoropupu and using it as a tourist drawcard will require careful monitoring and MUST include a limit on the number of visitors to the area in any given timeframe. Truly beautiful places around the world are being irreparably damaged through exploitation for profit and/or excessive tourist activity, and that is not even considering the impact of both on the ecology of those areas. New Zealand is marketed as being clean and green but we are constantly fouling this up. Why? Are we just always looking at how we can earn more profit? If this is the case we really need to change our mindset. You cannot put a price on natural resources and you will not realise how important they are until they have been destroyed.

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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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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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