

Water Conservation Order: Te Waikoropupū Springs and Associated Waterbodies

Submission Reference no: 1721

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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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I live in Nelson, Pupu springs is a place I have visited several times. It is a place I take visitors to. There is something magical about this place. The water quality is amazing. Although I am Pakeha, I work with Maori, I value their history their stories. They install the importance of guardianship and Pupu Springs is a place to protect. Knowing it's clarity is almost the most purist in the world. Why would you mess with it? Golden bay has extensive farming practices especially dairy farming. There is a lot to be said about some of the practices I see in caring for the environment in the bay. Until runoff practices have better systems in place ie, planting along all waterways to filter nitrogens etc, fencing to keep animals out of water ways and so. Allowing extra irrigation that will take impurities into the Pupu watercourse is a big mistake in my book. The loss of this place the effect on the biodiversity of living organisms that live in such a clear waterway, are irreplaceable. NZ has destroyed enough of it's waterways and is now trying to repair them. So why even start considering this irrigation proposal. Let's get farming practices correct before we consider this option. (I know it's not all farmers, some do a good job, but there is a lot of work to do yet in golden bay).

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

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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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The submitter have elected to withhold their personal details from publication.