

# Water Conservation Order: Te Waikoropupū Springs and Associated Waterbodies

**Submission Reference no:** 220

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**Submitter Type:** Individual

**Source:** Web Form

## Overall Notes:

### Clause

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

### Notes

The outstanding values identified in the application e) through h)

### Clause

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

### Position

Support

### Notes

As a country we need to ensure that we keep a balance between competing industries. Our international reputation, essential not only for our tourism industry but also for our primary industry exports, depends on a verifiable clean, green image. If we allow the short term expansion of industrial dairy at the expense of our natural beauty, biodiversity and healthy environment, our long term future as exporters and as a tourist destination will be compromised. As the chair of a local government biodiversity working group in an area that has both intensive dairying and over-allocation of water consents, I am only too aware of how quickly damage can be done to a pristine site such as those referred to in the application. Until all farms have undertaken environmental protection (such as riparian planting, creation of wetlands and fencing of all waterways) and levels of nitrates, phosphates, E. coli and other pollutants have been scientifically proven to be receding, there should be no intensification of farming activities in the area.

### Clause

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

### Position

Grant the order

### Notes

### 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

### Notes

Sadly I am not in a position to present my views at a public hearing.