

Water Conservation Order: Te Waikoropupū Springs and Associated Waterbodies

Submission Reference no: 101

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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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a) significance in accordance with tikanga Māori; b) outstanding cultural and spiritual values; c) visual clarity values; d) scientific and ecological values; e) biodiversity values; f) habitat for aquatic organisms and stygofauna; g) habitat for indigenous fauna; h) habitat for indigenous flora; i) recreational values; and j) wild, scenic and natural characteristics.

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

Position

Support

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Pupu springs is one of the most special places in New Zealand. I have traveled to NZ three times, and each time I make a trip there, so that the person I am with has the opportunity to experience it. I think it is EXTREMELY short sighted to allow activities that will have a detrimental impact on the biodiversity, water quality, and overall ecology of the spring. New Zealand claims to be "clean and green" but allowing intensive irrigation that will pollute this resource is a contradiction to this claim. Pupu springs is worth far more to NZ in it's current pristine state. I would think, based on the history of the Takaka area (clear cutting and devastation of the environment in the 1800's) that you would want to do anything you could to preserve this area. Take a look around the world - so many people are running out of water. Clean, fresh water. No amount of money or industry is more valuable than things that are critical to our survival like clean air and clean water. Please conserve this area for current and future generations. Our survival depends on it.

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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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If I was closer than Canada, I would be there. Please do the right thing and grant this conservation order.