

# Water Conservation Order: Te Waikoropupū Springs and Associated Waterbodies

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**Submitter Type:** Individual

**Source:** Email

## Overall Notes:

### Clause

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

### Notes

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.

### Clause

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

### Position

Support

### Notes

It is incomprehensible that special places like these springs need any process of consultation like this. These springs are utterly unique and simply deserve the highest protection. What justifies humans continually sacrificing all the most wonderful special features for the benefit of so few for private commercial profit. The environment is systematically being trashed - planning and decision making is too often short-term - and yet decision makers, and some business owners seeking ever more personal gain, cannot seem to see the glory of these springs and their need to be protected for ever. We go through these ghastly hearings to aid private profit - exceptional places such as these springs surely belong to a classification of Outstanding Natural Value - the council should by now have a clear idea of special places and features that have a right to exist without any more human attempts to degrade them. It is all singularly depressing. I would have thought it was abundantly clear that most people want preservation of these springs, without any more water abstraction, so why all the time and cost to over-ride this for private profit.

### 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