

# Water Conservation Order: Te Waikoropupū Springs and Associated Waterbodies

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## Overall Notes:

### Clause

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

### Notes

When you travel the world you realise that the goals of industrialisation and agriculture have served humanity in many positive ways; that continuing to work out sustainable approaches to feed people is extremely important. It is also very obvious that many decisions have been made that, in hindsight, have been hugely detrimental to our world. We appreciate now, often in hindsight, that if we do not ensure very thorough and balanced investigations prior to committing to such change that is being discussed in this submission that we will continue to make decisions that are not the best for the collective whole. I visited the springs for the first time in 2017. My twin daughters who were 4 at the time were blown away by the entire area established around the springs. They were genuinely interested in why the water was so clear, and were equally intrigued as to the importance of not swimming in the springs (much as they wanted too) and the discussion on its preservation. Clearly, they are not at an age to fully appreciate the breadth of what is being discussed in this submission. They are however the future custodians of the world. For them to experience, participate and appreciate such a rare environment will help ensure they (and other custodians) make the best decisions to serve our world moving forward. If such decisions are made purely on the largest financial impact in the short term they will rarely best serve humanity. Good luck with making the best decision for all future generations. Thanks for taking the time to consider my comments.

### Clause

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

### Position

Support

### Notes

### 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

I am a kiwi based in Sydney so it is not viable for me to be at the hearing.

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