

Water Conservation Order: Te Waikoropupū Springs and Associated Waterbodies

Submission Reference no: 588

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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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It seems incredible that through some technical, legal process further extraction can be granted before the Conservation Order is in place. It is absolutely paramount that this waterway is protected, and soon. You cannot have unbridled growth and resource depletion everywhere in NZ and forever! Please show some sense and restraint; anything else is absolutely irresponsible. I am flabbergasted that we have to put in a submission for this at all! TDC must stop hankering to the demands of commercial water users and keep their eye on the big picture and long term sustainability. It is the Council's obligation to include non-commercial rate payers and citizens in their consideration, and of course, there're their obligations under the RMA as a Unitary Council. Allowing any more water-take from that catchment is totally unacceptable and unlawful in my view. I will support court action by F&B or any other party, should TDC decide to go ahead with allowing further water extraction from Waikoropupū.

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

Position

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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