

# Water Conservation Order: Te Waikoropupū Springs and Associated Waterbodies

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**Clause**

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

**Notes**

The whole of the application.

**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**

I have visited this very special place and understand its cultural significance to Maori. I think it is essential that the water remains clear and I understand that for this to happen it is imperative that the stygofauna that live in it are protected and that the best way this can happen is through the proposed Water Conservation Order. The intensive farming in the land above the aquifer threatens the water quality. It needs to be protected from this and other industries now or in the future. This protection is now urgent given that the Tasman District Council is proposing to permit 70% more irrigation from the area that feeds the aquifer. General farming is not a problem but intensive farming is because of heavy irrigation and fertiliser use. There are alternatives to high density farming which some farms in the Takaka catchment have tried and found profitable so this could meet the concerns of the industry.

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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

**Notes**

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