

Water Conservation Order: Te Waikoropupū Springs and Associated Waterbodies

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Overall Notes:

Clause

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

Position

Support

Notes

The purity of the water in the Arthur Marble Aquifer and discharging from the Te Waikoropupu Springs is a taonga and must be protected at all costs. Irrigation in the water recharge zone (Takaka Valley) should not be increased as damage would be irreversible. Due to the time lag of approximately 10 years from water entering the aquifer to exit at the Springs, and the consequent impossibility of timely monitoring of effects of increased nitrates due to increased stocking rates from increased irrigation, and other contaminants from other activities, a precautionary approach to managing potential contaminants and loss of oxygen must be taken.

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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 want to present my/our views at a public hearing

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