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Good evening

As a child my Auckland mother talked to us, with a sparkle in her eyes, about Waikoropupu Springs and described the crystal clear waters as the most beautiful place she'd visited as a young woman, recovering from goita.

As I have grown older, I've become more conservation minded and last year in January, I felt very strongly about marching for clean rivers, calling for more gov protection of our water quality, as the issue came to the fore, prior to the election.

I believe it is very important that this magnificent example of clear, clean water, Waikoropupu Springs is put under a Water Conservation Order.

New Zealanders recognise that Waikoropupu Springs Crystal Water is a prized asset, both in a cultural sense to Maori and environmental resource for our nation. As more countries of the world struggle to find clean water sources, NZ must actively protect this pristine, natural asset from contamination.

Until some sort of balance in the agricultural sector is regained, it is imperative more government protection of all our waterways be put place. Sadly, Coe's Ford is no longer a great picnic and swimming spot for Canterbury kids, because of a lack of protective monitoring.

A Water Conservation Order will help keep Waikoropupu Springs in pristine condition, for our children and future generations of New Zealanders.

My thoughts for your consideration,  
Kind regards  
Clare McCarthy