

# Water Conservation Order: Te Waikoropupū Springs and Associated Waterbodies

**Submission Reference no:** 1366

Dr Rick McGovern-Wilson, **New Zealand Conservation Authority**

**Submitter Type:** Organisation

**Source:** Web Form

## Overall Notes:

### Clause

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

### Notes

The New Zealand Conservation Authority (NZCA) strongly supports this application for a Water Conservation Order (WCO) for Te Waikoropupu Springs and Associated Waterbodies. The NZCA has long been a strong advocate for the use of WCOs as a mechanism for recognising and promoting the protection of significant river systems - see pages 21-34 of their 2011 report Protecting New Zealand's Rivers (<http://www.doc.govt.nz/about-us/statutory-and-advisory-bodies/nz-conservation-authority/publications/protecting-new-zealands-rivers/>). The NZCA believes the WCO will significantly enhance the planning framework for the Springs, as well as enhancing the environmental flow regimes. The Springs have significant habitat, scenic, and cultural values - as outlined in the applicant's reports - which warrant the granting of the Order for their long-term protection.

### 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 want to present my/our views at a public hearing

### Notes