

Form 30
Submission on publicly notified application for water conservation order
or for revocation or amendment of water conservation order

Sections 205 and 216, Resource Management Act 1991

To Special Tribunal – Hurunui River Water Conservation Order

c/- Alex Miller, Ministry for the Environment, P.O. Box 10362, Wellington 6143

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This is a submission on an application from New Zealand and North Canterbury Fish and Game Councils and New Zealand Recreational Canoeing Association for a water conservation order for the Hurunui River, as described in their application.

[Briefly describe the application and the reasons for the application.]

WCO for the upper Hurunui for its outstanding amenity and intrinsic values which should be preserved in accordance with section 199(2)(a) of the RMA. WCO for the lower Hurunui for its contribution to outstanding characteristics which should be preserved in accordance with RMA section 199(2)(b)

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

[give details].

No specific part

My submission is:

* I agree with the applicants that the Hurunui waters have outstanding amenity and intrinsic values and I value my option to enjoy these values as a trumper, mountainbiker and birdwatcher.

I consider that the water conservation order would prevent a proposed dam for Lake Sumner and the South Branch of the Hurunui River, which proposal I oppose because it would destroy the natural shoreline of Lake Sumner.

More people directly benefit from the lake and river in its natural state than benefit from irrigation and dam proposals, because of the high quality of recreational opportunities such as fishing, canoeing, birdwatching and tramping.

I seek the following decision from the special tribunal:

The decision that I want the tribunal to make is to approve the water conservation order to keep the upper Hurunui including the Mandamus in its natural state and to extend the conservation order to the lower Hurunui to secure flows that protect black-fronted tern and black-billed gull

I do not wish to be heard in support of my submission.

**Resource Management (Forms, Fees, and
Procedure) Regulations 2003**

Schedule 1

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Signature of submitter
(*or* person authorised to sign
on behalf of submitter)

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Date

(A signature is not required if you make your submission by electronic means.)

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