

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

My submission covers and supports all of the application, but in particular relates to pages 21 – 40 which summarises the following values to be preserved or protected:

- the outstanding amenity and intrinsic values
- the outstanding habitat for terrestrial or aquatic organisms
- the outstanding fishery
- the outstanding natural characteristics, wild and scenic values
- the outstanding recreational attributes
- the characteristics that are considered to be of outstanding significance in accordance with tikanga Maori

My submission is: [*include –whether you support or oppose the order; and the reasons for your views. Describe here your experiences on the Hurunui, and why it is important to you that it is protected. Attach further information if you wish to*].

I am in full support of a Water Conservation Order to protect the North and South branches of the Hurunui River and Lake Sumner, including the lower reaches of the river.

The Hurunui River is a jewel in the crown of this wonderful country of ours. It is there for all of us to enjoy in its natural state. I am absolutely apposed to any alterations to this magnificent river which I and many others have a strong attachment to. I believe it is wrong to allow its destruction for the benefit of a select few.

As a young man I spent many weekends fishing and kayaking the Hurunui, absolutely absorbed by its serenity and beauty. Now as a father I would like my children to have the chance to enjoy the same privileges I had.

Once the river and the lake have been tampered with we have lost them forever. The Hurunui is an outstanding trout fishery and since the arrival of Didymo, I fear that if the river is not allowed to flood naturally, we will end up with a highly degraded river system. The time has past for people to ruin our environment.

Thank you for this opportunity to express my views.

Kind Regards,

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I wish (or do not wish) to be heard in support of my submission  
Signature of submitter (or person authorised to sign on behalf of submitter)

I do not wish to be heard.....

Date 09/12/08

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

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