

## **Submission on an application for an amendment to the Kawarau River Water Conservation Order**

**To :** Special Tribunal – Kawarau River Water Conservation Order  
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Name of submitter: My full name is *Andrew James Nicholson*

This is a submission on an application from New Zealand and Otago Fish and Game Councils for an amendment to the water conservation order for the Kawarau River, which relates to its tributary, the Nevis River. The application seeks to recognise the Nevis River's outstanding values – wild and scenic characteristics; back country trout fishery; natural characteristics, in particular outstanding natural landforms; trout spawning habitat; adult trout habitat (trophy trout); native fishery habitat; scientific – biogeographic river capture; historic and cultural values.

The application seeks to protect those outstanding values by adding a prohibition on damming and diversion of the river and adding a condition on water takes so as not to breach a minimum river flow.

I support the whole application

My submission is that I support the proposed amendments to the order both to recognise those outstanding values mentioned above and to add a prohibition on damming and diversion of the river and conditions on minimum river flow.

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The reasons for my submission:

I believe most strongly that this wonderful area of wild river should be left unaltered for the future of New Zealand.

I have spent many years fishing in this valley, the unique environment and history of the area are not replaceable there are NO new rivers being built any time soon!

Travelling through the valley and seeing the old grave yard and cottages the splendour of the scenery bring a greater understanding of the land and the people who were here.

The miners and the farmers who have lived & still live in this remote haven

The natural diversity and clean water have given New Zealand a opportunity to conserve some of the most pristine river system and keep a most wonderful resource in tact for future generations to enjoy.

The Brown trout in river Nevis are generally bigger than the average WORLD WIDE there in its self is a wonderful reason to protect this waterway, Anglers form New Zealand and Internationally would applaud any forward thinking and rejoice in the protection of this very special place.

To recognise those outstanding values of the Nevis River identified by Fish and Game in the Application.

To add a prohibition on damming and diversion of the river and to add minimum river flow conditions to protect the river.

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

If others make a similar submission, I will consider presenting a joint case with them at a hearing.

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“Nick” Andrew Nicholson.....  
Signature of submitter  
(or person authorised to sign  
on behalf of submitter)

20/9/08 .....  
Date

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

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**Note to submitter**

You must serve a copy of your submission on the applicant as soon as reasonably practicable after you have served your submission on the special tribunal.

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