
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 *Megan Beverley Bryan*

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.

The reasons for my submission:

The Nevis River is a beautiful, wild, back country river. There are very few unmodified rivers in Central Otago and I sincerely wish that the Nevis River can be preserved in its unmodified state for present and future generations to experience and enjoy. I am not a trout fisherman, but have had some great days in the Nevis Valley as it is a beautiful place to be. I love the rugged nature of the countryside and the wilderness feeling of the valley. I have really enjoyed mountain biking in the valley and have spend some great family times there. We have recently bought a property at Bendigo and are looking forward to being able to visit this remarkable place more often. This valley needs to be preserved in its natural state as it is such a beautiful and unique lanscape. There are plenty of other options for generating electricity . Destroying or modifying this river system should not be permitted.

I seek the following decision from the special tribunal:

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.

Megan Bryan.....

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

27.9.08

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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