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**Further submission in support of, or in opposition to,  
submission on the publicly notified proposed national policy  
statement on Freshwater Management**

To The Chairperson  
Board of Inquiry

Name of person making further submission:  
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This is a further submission in support of, or in opposition to, a submission on the proposed national policy statement for freshwater management (the proposal).

I support/oppose, the submission of:  
[name and address of original submitter and submission number of original submission]

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The particular parts of the submission I support/oppose are:  
[clearly indicate which parts of the original submission you support or oppose together with any relevant provisions of the proposal. Please append any additional text]

as enclosed.

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I support the submission of :

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Submission No. 127

I support section 3.3 relating to the cumulative effects of diffuse pollution. Regional Councils do not seem to recognise and place limits on cumulative Effect. The measures need to be quantified with guidance of a specialist resource team of Scientists made available from Central Govt Funding in conjunction with Local farmer groups and stakeholders. Cumulative Effect should be measured in a Catchment by Catchment basis.

Te Rununga also advocates the role that Riparian margins play in the health of a waterbody. This means of mitigation is also well advocated by DOC and Takanaki Regional Council. Unfortunately, all too often with dairy conversions even today, land use activities are being extended right up to the waters edge. Locally in North Otago current conversions are clear felling complete farm lots, including Catchment Board funded, erosion restoration zones, all for the sake of the pivot irrigator & " ease of farm management " . No restorative plantings follow on.

In the spirit of The Treaty of Waitangi ( Article 2 ) it is guaranteed that the chiefs retain the " te tino Rangitiratanga ( chieftainship ) " of the land forests and fisheries. I propose, as a Govt job creation scheme , that the Iwi , in partnership with the Crown ( through their agent, Dept of Conservation ) be handed back the ownership of the management right to several of our key river systems.

The purpose being to fully fence a riparian strip and re establish the indigenous bush habitat as existed pre European settlement. The protection zone to be for the use of all New Zealanders but strictly under the management of local Iwi. It could be a timely add on to a recently promoted National Cycleway and an extension of our National Walkways. Such a project would be seen as a major step in not only addressing a lack of credibility in Treaty obligations, but also on an international stage, would be seen as a decisive action in remedying our inadequate performance in the most recent OECD report on the state of our environment.

For our Iwi to be given back the their ability to carry out their kaitiaki role, from the mountains to the sea, would be seen as means to sustain mauri, waiua and mana of the rivers. When incorporated in current negotiations such as the Project Aqua scheme,

on the Waitaki River, this could be just the leverage that is required to facilitate a successful conclusion.

Certainly , for such projects to be established on the flood and erosion prone lands of the Whanganui and King Country & East Coast, it would be a huge boost to the mana of the Maori people and stepping stone to addressing the legacies of our colonial and post colonial years.

Should Te Runanga o Ngai Tahu or any other submitter be in agreement with the interpretation of my submission, then I would gladly wish to be heard , in conjunction with the original submitter, to present a joint case at the hearing.

Yours Faithfully

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