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Submitter type Individual

Releasing submissions

1. Do you agree that overall water quality should be maintained or improved within a freshwater management unit rather than within a region? Why or why not? No

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Submission against fresh water iwi clauses

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2. How should the attributes be applied, or the values protected, in giving effect to the requirement to maintain or improve overall water quality? Please explain.

3. What is an appropriate way to include measures of macroinvertebrates in the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management? What alternative measures could be used for monitoring ecosystem health?

4. What information should be required in a request to include significant infrastructure in Appendix 3 of the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management, and why would this information be important?

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6. What information should be required in a request to list a water body in Appendix 4 of the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management, and why would this information be important?

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8. Should standards for efficient water use be developed?

9. Do you support easier transfer of consents? Do you think the changes outlined in Proposal 2.4 would better enable transfers? What other changes would better enable transfers?

10. How should the Government help councils and communities address over-allocation for water quality and water quantity? Should it provide guidance, rules or something else (please specify)?

11. Should councils have greater flexibility in how they meet the costs of improving freshwater management? For example, by recovering costs from water users and those who discharge to water? Please provide examples.

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Freshwater Consultation 2016,

Ministry of Environment,

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Wellington 6143.

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17. If you are involved with a marae or live in a papakōinga, does it have access to clean, safe drinking water? What would improve access to clean, safe drinking water for your marae or papakōinga?

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18. Do you agree with the proposed criteria for the Freshwater Improvement Fund? Why or why not?

I do not fully understand this criteria; I think that major long term issues such as the central Hawkes Bay dam which is greatly enhance not only the local region but also on a national basis due to increased yields for export et al.

19. Do you have any further comments you wish to make about the Government's proposals?

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