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Gentlemen: Having just returned from 5 days of guided helicopter fishing in the Remarkables, I can only encourage you to keep the highest quality standards for the native fishing rivers. For the past 40 years, I watched the slow degradation of trout habit in the US, Argentina, UK and other countries. The encroachment of agricultural and ranching interests has, in my experience, resulted in a decline of native fish. Pollution run off has forced regions to resort to stocked fish and allowed the introduction of other species.

As the owner of a travel business that sends clients to fish in NZ, I am very aware of how the pristine quality of NZ fishing is a major draw. There are very few places left where one can drink from the river and catch/release brown trout of the size and color that you enjoy. Please don't let that precious commodity be degraded. The attached photo says it all. Thank you for any efforts you can make to protect this resource. Sincerely, Roy



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