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To Amy Adams and DR Nick Smith

I wish to make a submission on the National Objectives Framework for Freshwater Management. At present the nitrate levels in our waterways is set to high. I would like to see them lowered to a point where they are not toxic to fresh water fish, namely trout. This would also make our waterways safe for any recreational use swimming canoeing etc. In the areas that I frequent on a regular basais Southland ,Wairarapa Tararua and Ruahine areas I have noticed a marked depletion of water quality and a marked increase in the amount of weed growth as well as drop to low and in some cases non existance of fish numbers.

Thankyou

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