

From: [Forest & Bird, Gisborne Branch](#)
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Subject: RE: Reminder: Hui on NPS-FM Amendments
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Hello Natalie and others, sorry I won't be there, I've come down with a bad cold and cough so am in no fit state to contribute in person.

I would have reinforced personally, our national Forest & Bird take on this, adding my local perspective.

The most obvious omission is not having an objective that directly relates to the biological health of freshwater. So please include the MCI objectives in the national framework. I have done some work assisting with freshwater quality/invertebrate studies so am very aware of the importance of freshwater invertebrate ecology.

The bottom line for nitrate levels need to be set at a higher level (does that make sense? My brain isn't working very well, I've just taken some more Disprin)

The proposed objectives for human health are only compulsory for secondary contact. We need to set the bar higher than that otherwise it will just be business as usual.

I'll make some more comments from our local perspective when I'm back to my normal self, meanwhile have a good meeting and you won't catch any of my bugs!

Regards

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