

Dear Sir,

As a long term regular visitor to New Zealand for 1-3 weeks flyfishing each year the quality of the resource is critical to me continuing to choose your country for visits. Over the 20 years that i have been fishing, mostly in the south island, the steady growth in dairying with its obvious impact from run-off has started to impact on that activity. Fishing in a sewer is not my idea of enjoyment not only through the obvious faecal odour in some areas but also in the reduction in fish numbers. Any relaxation in pollution levels will increase that impact to the extent that fishers who have a choice a more likely to spend their not inconsequential tourist dollars elsewhere. For me this would become a critical issue.

Regards,

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