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Dear Sir\Madam

I am very concerned about our Rivers and Lakes, for example the nitrate levels set where the effects would be toxic to sensitive fish like trout.

I want our rivers and lakes to remain healthy and fishable.

The bottom line is simply that all New Zealand freshwaters should be **swimmable, fishable** and **safe for food gathering** and that the National Objectives Framework should include measurable parameters that directly relate to these values.

As an angler, I want all rivers and lakes where I go fishing to be habitable to trout and salmon and safe for fishing and eating the fish taken. I want this enshrined in legislation so that future generations of all New Zealanders can inherit a New Zealand with the same pristine rivers and lakes.

We do not want our beautiful country raped, pillaged and ruined because a few shortsighted politicians and businessmen want to balance the books and make obscene profits!!

yours sincerely

Tim Rich

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