



**SUBMISSION ON RESOURCE CONSENT APPLICATIONS**

*Section 96 Of The Resource Management Act 1991*



<b>TO:THE WEST COAST REGIONAL COUNCIL</b>	Copy to:
<b>PO BOX 66</b>	Meridian Energy Limited
<b>GREYMOUTH</b>	PO Box 2454,
	<b>Christchurch.</b>

<b>Applicant:</b> Meridian Energy Ltd	<b>Application Numbers:</b> tick boxes overleaf
<b>Closing Date for Submissions on the Mokihinui Hydro Proposal: (Wednesday 23 April 2008)</b>	

(Please print clearly) Title: Mr Mrs Miss Ms (Please circle the appropriate title(s) or write below)

My/Our Full Name(s): Buller Tramping Club

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I/we support the application numbers ticked on the back of this form  (tick one)  
I/we oppose the application numbers ticked on the back of this form

The reasons for my/our submission are as follows (*further information attached (tick for yes)*   
[State in summary the nature of your submission, giving reasons]

see attached page.

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I/we wish the consent authority to make the following decision [Give details, including the nature of any conditions]

To decline all consents.

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**Use the tick boxes below to indicate the resource consent applications your submission concerns.**

I/we make my/our submission concerning **all** the resource consent applications below  (tick)

My/our submission **only** concerns the resource applications ticked below  (tick)

I/we **wish to be heard** in support of my/our submission  (tick one)

I/we **DO NOT** wish to be heard and hereby make my/our submission in writing only

Signature(s): JM Male  
(Secretary)

Date: 9/4/2008.

If this is a joint submission by 2 or more individuals, each individual's signature is required)

I/we have served a copy of my/our submission on Meridian energy Limited as per Section 96(4) of the RMA  (tick)

Consent List

Mokihinui River  
consents RC07150/1 – RC07150/6

Earthworks and Vegetation  
consents RC07150/14 – RC07150/19

Inundation Area  
consents RC07150/7 – RC07150/8

General Construction  
consents RC07150/20 – RC07150/23

Staging Area  
consents RC07150/9 – RC07150/10

Access Roads, Walking Tracks and Recreational  
Activities  
consents RC07150/24 – RC07150/26

Substation and Transmission  
consents RC07150/11 – RC07150/13

West Coast Regional Council submission from Buller Tramping Club.

The reasons for our submission is because we oppose the building of the dam and inundation of the Mokihinui Gorge and the building of a transmission line for the following reasons:

1. We believe the Mokihinui Gorge is a pristine and outstanding natural feature worthy of preservation.
2. Loss of unique backcountry. The area above the Forks is regarded as a remote wilderness experience for trampers. This will be lost by having a lake which will allow easy access by motorboats. The peacefulness of the area will also be lost. The tramping track along the river will be inundated.
3. Terrestrial and aquatic ecosystems will be destroyed eg. Habitat of blue duck, snails, eels, fish etc.)
4. The transmission line corridor passes through the Ngakawau Ecological Area and other areas of significant natural habitat and landscape (eg. Habitat of kiwi, weka, snails etc.)
5. The various effects changing river flows have downstream and along the coastline.
6. Earthquake risk
7. Loss of heritage sites.

