

“Mohikinui Hydro Proposal”



SUBMISSION ON PUBLICLY NOTIFIED APPLICATIONS CONCERNING RESOURCE CONSENTS

To:

West Coast Regional Council
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1. Full name of submitter: **Rosalie Joy Snoyink**
2. This is a submission on applications from **Meridian Energy Limited** for 34 resource consents.
3. The type of consent is: **Land use consents and discharge permits**
4. The location of the consents is:
The Mohikinui River approx. 3km upstream of Seddonville and 11km upstream of the river mouth.
5. The proposed activity is:
Construction of a dam on the Mohikinui River.
6. The specific part(s) of the application that my submission relates to are:
All of the applications in their entirety
7. My submission in **OPPOSITION** is:

The Mokihiui is a special river, is wild, remote, natural and unspoilt by development. A dam will have an adverse effect on the natural characteristics of the river. It will threaten habitat for a number of native species. Of particular concern to me is the loss of habitat for native birds, giant snails and the whitebait fishery. The river is important because of its intrinsic value. I am also concerned that the area is an earthquake zone. Residents below the dam are at risk from flooding or breaching of the dam. Tourists come to the West Coast to enjoy its natural landscapes. Dams create havoc by forest clearance, disturbance of the river beds and banks and construction works. There will be an adverse effect on the quiet and peaceful character of the area. Any discharge of contaminants and sewage and the storage of hazardous substances is unacceptable.

8. I seek the following decision from the West Coast Regional Council:
Decline all applications

9. I **WISH** to be heard in support of my submission

10. Signature of submitter..... *Rf Suoyuk*.....

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