

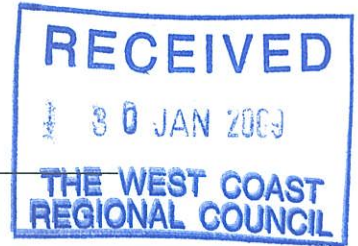
SUBMISSION ON AN APPLICATION FOR RESOURCE CONSENT UNDER SECTION 96 OF THE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991

TO: West Coast Regional Council

Name of Submitter: Joanna Parsons
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Application Number: RC08/131



1. I support the application by Hydro Developments for land use consents related to the construction, operation and maintenance of a proposed hydro scheme on the Stockton Plateau.

2. The particular parts of the application I support are:

All of the consents sought in the application.

3. The reasons for making my submission are:

As a kayaker I chose to live and work on the West Coast because of our world renowned, pristine, wild rivers - the many international visitors I kayak with, come to this world-class destination because of these rivers. I am sure most of the tourists who visit the Coast appreciate the grandeur of the West Coast's wild, free-flowing rivers. Significant numbers of these rivers are currently under threat from hydro development. All of the current or future proposals for hydro on the Coast's wild, pristine rivers will be justified in part by the need to provide power for a growing Coast economy. We all use power.

Let's use a scheme that produces the power we need whilst cleaning up a river, using an already significantly modified area - and keep our 'Wild West Coast' rivers as just that.

This scheme will have a positive impact on any kayaking activity on the Ngakawau - water no longer polluted by mine runoff will be much more pleasant to have up your nose, and as the Ngakawau is a 'rain run' (only paddled in flood), the reduction in catchment inflow will simply change the 'window of runability' for kayakers.

The environmental benefits for the Ngakawau should be significant, removing polluted inflows can only have a positive effect on river and estuarine ecology and the general public's ability to use and enjoy this otherwise beautiful river and the Charming Creek Walkway.

4. I wish the consent authority to make the following decision:

Grant all resource consents as applied for, conditional to the Darcy Stream Diversion, in conjunction with funding from the Crown, being a compulsory part of the scheme.

5. I do wish to be heard in support of my submission.



Signature

28/01/09

Date

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NOTE: A copy of your submission must be served on the applicant as soon as reasonably practicable after service of your submission on the consent authority, address as follows:

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