

Though I have put a number of submissions in, the one of uppermost concern is the deletion of the Tekintosh lower node. I further add to my submission, regards re-instating same.

### A brief background

Lake Pukaki has been raised twice, the first in the early 1950's when the Seymour Family lost 3,000 acres<sup>of flats</sup>, with no compensation, then again in the mid 1970's when the remaining 1,000 acres along with the entire establishment "downed". It has often been quoted that Tekintosh has been the biggest losers of any hydroelectric generation in New Zealand. Part of the 1970's deal was that the property was set up as two separate operations (now known as nodes).

The upper one, set up in the North corner against the lake, as tourist accommodation i.e.-bed and breakfast, cottage and backpackers. Half the homestead was replacement, the other half at station cost. The line on this node needs attention later, as it cuts off one building, and goes through another.

The lower node, the operational part of the property, has been deleted from plans. It was always able to be shown to us by former staff, and we did not realise that anything was amiss until the change Plan 13 came out. The accompanying map is as we remember it. Though it looks a large area, you can see by the contour lines that it is quite steep, broken by gullies and creeks, with large areas of swamps and seepage, not allowing many sites for an allowed house, implement and hay sheds, and other general requirements. To the South it follows the existing fence line, West and North to the abolished and cookshop, where it veers North East to take in a few low knobs and part of a creek. The Western side stays higher on the fence line to include the power generation, domestic and stock water supplies. At present we are using the diesel generator, but costs will drive us to operate off both. The shearing shed, sheep and cattle yards are there. The four Twizel single mens' huts are at the end of their lives.

Because there has been mainly only Gilbert and myself running the property, and doing so from the homestead end, there has been no need to further develop at this area, but at our ages now, some serious thinking is to be done regards the future. These nodes are 6kms apart.

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Densem report - Map 8 - pink area cuts off above lower node.



