

FORM 5

SUBMISSION ON A PUBLICLY NOTIFIED  
PLAN CHANGE/ VARIATION

CLAUSE 6 OF FIRST SCHEDULE  
RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991

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This is a submission on proposed ~~Plan Change 18~~ Plan Change 19 to the Mackenzie District Plan (please select Plan Change)

The specific provisions of the proposal that my submission relates to are:  
(give details)

Proposed Plan change 19  
Rural objective 8  
Rural Zone rules clause 7A-2.3.b - Non Commercial Motorised Activities  
refer attachment with full details.

My submission is:  
(include whether you support or oppose the specific provisions or wish to have them amended and the reasons for your views)  
Refer attachment with full details.  
Rural policy 8B - Lake Pukaki - not supported in current  
working. Amend to exclude commercial motorised and non  
motorised activities. Allow non-commercial & essential  
motorised activities on Lake Pukaki

Proposed Plan change 19

clause 7A.2.3.b non commercial motorised activities  
prohibited on Lake Pukaki

Prohibitory non-commercial (recreational) ~~and~~ motorised  
activities is not supported - non commercial activities  
must continue to be allowed on Lake Pukaki

Please refer attached for further details

I seek the following decision from the Mackenzie District Council:  
(give precise details)

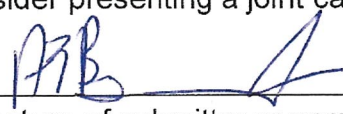
Not to prohibit non-commercial (recreational)  
motorised activities on Lake Pukaki

I wish to be heard in support of my submission

I do not wish to be heard in support of my submission

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**Mackenzie District Plan – Proposed Plan Change 19**

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A Amend Rural Zone Policies (Section 7)

Rural Objective 8 – Activities on or within waterbodies

*This is supported*

Rural Policy 8A – values of waterbodies

*This is supported.*

Rural Policy 8B – Lake Pukaki

*The current wording of "To protect the unique natural quiet, beauty, and tranquillity values and experience of Lake Pukaki by avoiding motorised activities on the lake other than for essential services"*

*While in principal this is supported, the avoiding of all motorised activities on Lake Pukaki is not.*

*I believe that this should be modified "To protect the unique natural quiet, beauty, and tranquillity values and experience of Lake Pukaki by avoiding **commercial motorised and non-motorised vessel activities. Essential services and recreational be it motorised or non-motorised vessel activities are exempted**"*

*Further detailing of this, please refer to submissions related to Section 7A.2.2 as relate to Outdoor Recreational Activities – Rural Zone Rules Clause 7*

Rural Policy 8C-Commercial Activities

*This is supported in principal.*

*With respect to Lake Pukaki, all commercial motorised and non-motorised vessel activities should not be available to be resource consented.*

Rural Policy 8D – Church of the Good Shepherd

*This is supported.*

Rural Policy 8E – Effects on wildlife and wildlife habits

*While this is supported, further clarification I believe is required.*

*The explanation and reasons provided reference specific water ways but no reference to waterbodies such as Lakes Benmore, Tekapo, Pukaki, Ruataniwha and Opuha. Does 8E apply to water bodies and water ways?*

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*I support the control of access to water ways as described in the Proposed Plan 19 changes, however do not support where this extend to water bodies of Lakes Benmore, Tekapo, Pukaki, Ruataniwha and Opuha.*

*I support that vehicles and launching of water jet propelled boats (jet boats, jet skis) must be controlled and dedicated launch and retrieval areas assigned to protect wildlife habitats.*

Rural Policy 8F – Structures

*This is supported*

Rural Policy 8G - Regulations

*This is supported*

Rural Policy 8H – Cross boundary co-ordination

*This is supported*

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B Amend section 7 – Rural Zone Rules Clause 7

7 Outdoor Recreational Activities

Section 7.1 to 7.3

*These are all supported*

C AMEND SECTION 7 – Rural Zone Rules by Adding the following clause 7A – activities on or within water bodies

7A Activities on or with water bodies

7A.1 Activities on or within Lakes Tekapo, Benmore and Ruataniwha and all rivers other than the Opihi and Opuha Rivers

*These are all supported.*

*However with regard to Lake Ruataniwha, this lake being one of the smallest in the region is also one of the most populous being so close to Twizel and generally sheltered nature. As result for certain periods / times of the year (particularly December, January summer holidays and statutory long weekends) the Lake can be become quite rough due to the boat wakes.*

*There appears to be many, what I would term, reckless drivers of motorised vessels on the lake who have due disregard for others and water safety.*

*While I have heard rumours of a possible ban of all motorised vessels from Lake Ruataniwha, this would be a real loss due to irresponsible behaviour of a few motorised vessel skippers/operators.*

*I do believe there is a need for stronger monitoring of vessel operators, particularly during peak times, to eliminate risks.*

*Operators of Jet Ski's, vessels towing water toys and skiers where the skipper is looking back and not forward, incorrect vessel directions (not following Ruataniwha operating guidelines) are areas that could do with better enforcement and education.*

Section 7A.2 Activities on or within Lake Pukaki

Section 7A.2.1 Permitted Activities on or within Lake Pukaki

*This is supported.*

Section 7A.2.2 non complying activities on or within Lake Pukaki

*This is supported*

Section 7A.2.3 Prohibited Activities

7A.2.3.a - Commercial motorised activities

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*This is supported.*

*All commercial motorised activities on Lake Pukaki should be not be allowed as this goes against Rural Objective 8.*

*Commercial activities will have the most adverse effect on the Lake Pukaki environment. Commercial activities are not in the interests of the environment but rather making a commercial return for investors.*

*Commercial activities generally tend to exploit and disregard the environment due to commercial interests.*

**7A.2.3.b – Non-commercial motorised activities.**

**The banning of non-commercial (recreational) motorised activities is NOT supported. Non-commercial motorised activities (recreational) must continue to be allowed on Lake Pukaki waterbodies and water ways and not be prohibited.**

*The question that must be answered by the MacKenzie District Council: what evidence, not circumstantial, that there has been an impact to the Lake Pukaki waterbody and water ways by non-commercial (recreational) motorised activities? To date, I have seen anything.*

*There are a number of factors why non-commercial motorised vessel activities can continue on Lake Pukaki and the requirements of Rural Objective 8 can still be achieved. These are outlined below.*

**Non-commercial (recreational) motorised vessel use of Lake Pukaki**

*Non Commercial (Recreational) motorised vessel use of Lake Pukaki is not significant. A blanket ban of non-commercial motorised vessel activities on Lake Pukaki seems unreasonable, given the actual usage is very low.*

*I have boated, along with friends, on Lake Pukaki over the past 5 years and have completed a little more than 10 days on the Lake each year. This time has been predominately during the December and January periods.*

*As I have discovered Lake Pukaki has not been a predominate destination for recreational use over the many years since its inception. Cold water, high silt, variable weather and rocky foreshore have generally deterred recreational use.*

*Given there are 365 days in the year, and Lake Pukaki may be used for recreational use for at the most say 30 days in the year, there is then 335 days the lake is not used. As compared to the other lakes in the MDC area (Benmore, Tekapo, Ruataniwha, Opuha) the actual lake usage is very low.*

**Environmental impacts – scenic view and beauty (Size of lake and views to Mt Cook)**

*Lake Pukaki is one of the largest lakes in New Zealand. To actually see a motorised or non-motorised vessel on the lake is very difficult. A person needs to be in the right location that the vessel is operating to have a view inhibited or even see it.*

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*From the southern end of Lake Pukaki (State highway 8) the view is uninhibited to Mt Cook. When this is considered in relation to the actual usage of Lake Pukaki by recreational users, which is not significant, the views are hardly inhibited.*

*Also, the size of non-commercial motorised and non-motorised vessel on Lake Pukaki is not large or of significant size to inhibit views to Mt Cook. How can a non-commercial motorised vessel operating in the middle to upper regions of the Lake be considered inhibiting the view to Mt Cook.*

*The question has to be asked, how many days are non-commercial users actually on the lake to inhibit views. Over the years of boating in the MacKenzie District and on Lake Pukaki, plus driving along the southern shores (State highway 8) my estimate is that Lake Pukaki has no more than 20 to 30 days use. This leaves over 300 days of uninterrupted views.*

*A parallel can be drawn to Lake Taupo and view to the mountains. The motorised and non-motorised vessels operating on the lake don't really inhibit the spectacular views to the mountains from the northern shores. Lake Taupo is a large lake and easily accommodates non-commercial motorised and non-motorised vessels without significantly altering or inhibiting the scenic views.*

**Environmental impacts – noise**

*Disturbance of the environment from the noise of all non-commercial motorised vessel activities on Lake Pukaki must be considered in relation to the size of the lake, usage of the lake and where the motorised vessel is operating. Not only motorised vessel operating on the lake, but also those aerial craft operating above the lake.*

*Non-commercial motorised vessel are required to meet noise standards. Non-commercial vessel powered by outboards, stern drives and inboard motors do not have a high noise level. Exhaust noise is dampened by underwater exhaust.*

*Noise from passing vehicle traffic (state highway 8) is considerably higher than that from motorised vessel operating on Lake Pukaki and more consistent.*

*It would be very difficult to hear a non-commercial motorised vessel operating in the mid to upper area of the lake from the southern end of the lake or foreshores.*

*The noise again is also not consistent, all day every day. The lake is not used significantly and therefore the effect on the environment through noise is not significant.*

*If noise from motorised vessel is key environmental issue, then consideration must be taken to ban all aerial vessel from flying overhead of Lake Pukaki. Aerial noise can be significant. You can hear Air NZ jets flying overhead when going from Queenstown to Auckland. Scenic plane flights and drones. Maybe all aerial craft are banned from the Air Space of Lake Pukaki. But is this really not practical given the actual low occurrence and short duration. Similar to non-commercial motorised vessel on Lake Pukaki.*

*While there is still engine noise, vessel that don't have underwater exhaust created more environmental noise than those with underwater exhaust. I agree there are certain motorised vessel that are loud and disturb the environment. Principally water jet propelled vessel (jet boats and Jet Ski). I would support the banning of these motorised vessels from Lake Pukaki due to excessive noise these motorised vessel make.*

*The most disturbing impact to the peace and tranquillity this past summer was the H2Explore Hovercraft. The noise from this vessel operating from southern end of the lake could be heard past*

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*the Tekapo B power station. When first heard this high pitched noise, I wondered where the drone was. Only to discover the high pitched noise was coming from the Hovercraft some distance away. The noise from the vessel was very unpleasant and disturbed the environment. The noise from the Hovercraft is significantly more than I have heard from a motorised non-commercial vessel operating on Lake Pukaki.*

***Environmental impacts - pollution and contaminants***

*The impact of pollution and contaminants on Lake Pukaki by non-commercial motorised vessel is not considered significant to ban all vessel from the lake.*

*The environmental impact must be considered with regard to the size of the lake, usage of the lake and number of motorised vessel operating.*

*All propulsion systems (outboard motor, inboard motor) used by motorised vessel are required to meet emissions standards. These are very strict and the actual pollution from such vessel is not significant, or even an impact at all.*

*As the usage of Lake Pukaki is not high and due to the size of the Lake, any pollution from operation is widely dispersed very quickly. As the lake has a constant flow of water through the lake, there is little time for pollution to take effect.*

*In consideration to pollution of the lake from motorised vessel, comparisons must be made to other lakes in the region and in New Zealand. Lake Benmore and Ruataniwha both have far more use by motorised vessel, as does New Zealand's largest lake, Lake Taupo. Having boated on all these lakes over many years, there has been no noticeable impact of pollution and contaminants on the lakes from motorised vessel use. Yes there has been pollution impacts, primarily from agricultural activities surrounding the lakes, but not from motorised vessel use.*

***Environmental impacts – waste and refuge.***

*The users of all water bodies and water ways have a responsibility to make sure they leave the environment clear of refuge and waste.*

*As a person who regularly uses Lakes in the MDC area and done so for a good number of years, I have generally noticed that users of the water bodies don't leave waste and refuge on the foreshore or discard waste in the water bodies. I say generally, as there will always be people who choose to leave waste.*

*For Lake Pukaki I have observed over the years a significant increase in waste. Not on the foreshore of left by users of the lake, but from Freedom Campers.*

*Banning the use of Lake Pukaki due to waste and refuge that can be left by users of motorised vessel doesn't seem justified when there is a bigger problem with Freedom Campers and day visitors.*

***Environmental Impact – Foreshore and water ways***

*Foreshore Lake Pukaki*



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*The impact of motorised vessel wakes on the foreshore of Lake Pukaki is not significant to erode or impact the foreshore of the Lake to ban non-commercial motorised vessel activities from the lake.*

*The environmental impact must be considered with regard to the size of the lake, usage of the lake and number of motorised non-commercial vessel operating.*

*The size of a motorised vessel wake will vary from between 5 cm to 20 cm depending on the water conditions, how big the vessel is, how fast they are going, what water activities are being undertaken and how close they are to the foreshore. Wake sizes can vary significantly. While a motorised vessel wake moves away from the motorised vessel towards the foreshore the momentum dissipates and therefore has less of an impact.*

*As Lake Pukaki is only used for a small number of days during a year, there is no impact from motorised vessel wakes on the lake foreshore.*

*For Lake Pukaki the most significant impact on the foreshore is from the large waves that are generated in high wind conditions. In particular the Northerly and North-Westerly winds that come from the direction of Mt Cook and the Main Divide. I have seen waves as large as 1 to 2 meters on the Lake when high winds prevail. The effect on the foreshore with these waves crashing against the foreshore is significant. Often in these situations the water will become discoloured from the foreshore sediment movement. No such discoloration occurs from motorised vessel wakes.*

*Waterways into Lake Pukaki*

*The impact of motorised vessel of the waterways (rivers) foreshore is probably higher than that on Lake Pukaki. The waterways are predominantly used by jet propulsion motorised vessel (jet boats and Jet Ski) as the water depth doesn't allow for outboard or inboard motorised vessel.*

*As the water ways are considerable smaller than the Lake, there will likely be more of an impact on the waterways foreshore. However this impact is not significant as to alter the foreshore, but likely to be more of an impact to wildlife that is close to the water way edge. In these situations the foreshore inhabitants could be impacted.*

*Foreshore Impact Launch and Retrieval of motorised vessel.*

*There is an impact on the foreshore of Lake Pukaki and waterways by persons launching and retrieving motorised and non-motorised vessel directly from the foreshore and not using the facilities that are provided.*

*With only 2 launch and retrieval areas, this limits those who use Lake Pukaki. Launching and retrieving directly off the foreshore can have difficulties, while also potentially damaging the foreshore and environment. While larger vessels will use dedicate areas, small vessel such as Jet Skis and Yachts can be launched from the beach. This could well cause an impact. However as there are limited persons undertaking this and the foreshore of Lake Pukaki doesn't lend itself to launch and retrieving from the foreshore, I don't consider this to be a significant reason to ban motorised vessel from Lake Pukaki.*

*The eastern side facilities are sufficient and well protected from the wind. These facilities cannot be used where the lake level is below 527 meters.*

*I believe the MDC should consider that there are appropriate facilities on Lake Pukaki for launch and retrieving all motorised and non-motorised vessel. This will prevent foreshore damage through irresponsible launch and retrieval.*

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*With regard to foreshore damage and effect on wildlife, over the summer period I observed the H2Explore Hovercraft moving from the lake to the foreshore. The noise, wind and speed that it moved over the foreshore can easily disturb and impact any wildlife that may be in the area. Another reason why commercial motorised vessel activities should be banned from Lake Pukaki and its foreshores.*

**Lake Pukaki Usage – Safety of those who undertake activities on the lake**

*Banning the use of non-commercial motorised vessel due to variable weather conditions and potential safety risks associated with this is not considered due reason.*

*It is up to the skipper of a motorised or non-motorised vessel to ensure that they don't put the lives of occupants in danger/risk and have the necessary safety plan and measures in place, should the need for these to be implemented.*

*All persons that operate on any water ways and water bodies in NZ (lake, river and sea) are required to meet safety standards. Persons that operate in these water ways and bodies must take into account the relevant safety measures that would be expected when operating in these water ways and bodies. By not recognising the need to safety measures can be considered irresponsible and negligent by the skipper operating the motorised or non-motorised vessel in the water way or body.*

*Over recent times in New Zealand there have been a number of incidents involving persons operating large and small vessel that has resulted in loss of life and significant emergency services expense, including Lake Pukaki*

*With regard to the safety of persons who use Lake Pukaki, be it motorised or non-motorised vessel, the variable nature of the wind strength and direction is always of concern.*

*The wind strength can increase significantly in a short period of time creating large waves on the lake. I have experienced this on more than one occasion.*

*As the lake has limited spots to shelter from such a wind change, persons using the lake must consider this. As in using any other water body, the users must consider the weather when operating on the water body.*

*The skipper of a motorised and non-motorised vessel is responsible to ensure the appropriate safety measures are in place.*

*The changing nature of weather could also be applied to Lake Benmore with regard to safety. On more than one occasion I have experience a considerable change in weather (no wind to high wind). However on all occasions as a responsible skipper, have known that there could be a potential weather change and have stayed alert watching for the change. I have seen people get into difficulties first hand as they were unprepared and didn't do sufficient trip planning to understand the events that could occur.*

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***How to provide a balance between the objectives of Rural Objective 8 and continue to allow non-commercial (recreational) motorised and non-motorised activities on Lake Pukaki waterbody?***

*I believe that there is a need to find a balance between recreational activities on the Lake Pukaki waterbody and what MDC seeks to successfully meet under Rural Objective 8 Activities on or within water bodies.*

*By banning non-commercial motorised activities on Lake Pukaki, this is in away penalising those who have operated on the lake in past in an environmental friendly way, without good justification or reason.*

*It will be a case of not one group(s) or individual having significant influence without considering the wider interests of all parties/bodies/persons. One of the outstanding achievements from the Upper Waitaki Power Scheme (MacKenzie Country region) was the establishment/enhancement of key waterbodies of Lakes Ruataniwha, Benmore, Pukaki, Tekapo and Ohau (although not under MDC jurisdiction).*

*Without the hydro scheme there would be no lakes, not the panoramic view over Lake Pukaki and not the benefits of water activities that New Zealanders can enjoy on the water bodies.*

*As mentioned above, Lake Pukaki is a vast lake, used only on a limited number of days during the year, has a number of limiting factors to take into account (rocky foreshore, cold water, high silt, variable conditions, limited launch and retrieval facilities) that deter only the experienced person from operating a motorised vessel on the waterbody.*

*In order to provide a balance between non-commercials motorised activities and protecting the environment (peace, tranquillity, view), I would propose the following:*

- 1. Banning of Jet propulsion non-commercial motorised vessels (jet boats and Jet Ski's). These motorised vessels create the most disturbance in terms of noise and are the motorised vessels that are more likely to be launched from the foreshore as opposed to dedicated launch and retrieval facilities.*
- 2. Non-commercial motorised activities are not conducted in the vicinity of the southern end of Lake Pukaki.  
Non-commercial motorised vessels shall not operate below a line from 1 kilometre below the Tekapo B power station on the eastern side of the lake to directly across to the western side of the lake, during the period 20 December to 31 March. This ensures that motorised craft don't inhibit the view from the southern end of Lake Pukaki to Mt Cook.*

*I would also propose that all commercial motorised activities are banned completely from Lake Pukaki.*

*However if this not achievable due commercial interests already established, then I would like to see stricter operating procedures particularly surrounding noise, foreshore access and operating location.*

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Section 7A.2.3.c Prohibited Activities Vessel on the surface of waterways used for accommodation

*This is supported*

Section 7A.3 Activities on or with Lake Alexandrina and McGregor

*All clauses are supported.*

Section 7A.4 Activities on or within the Opihi and Opuha Rivers

*All clauses are supported.*

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*(give details)*

MOTORIZED CRAFT ON LAKE PUKAKI  
CARPARK IN FRONT OF THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPARD

My submission is:  
*(include whether you support or oppose the specific provisions or wish to have them amended and the reasons for your views)*

I strongly support the Council with Plan  
change 19

PROTECTION OF LAKE PUKAKI AND SURROUNDING RIVER BEDS FROM ANY MOTORISED CRAFT OR VEHICLE IS ABSOLUTELY ESSENTIAL.

REASONS ALREADY SET OUT IN COUNCIL PAPERS IE TRANQUILITY - UNCLUTTERED FANTASTIC VIEWS NEED TOTAL PROTECTION - PROTECTION OF ALL NATIVE SPECIES - BIRDS NESTING AREAS - SKINKS ETC

THE UGLY CAR PARK IN FRONT OF THE CHURCH OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD IN TEKAPO IS NO LONGER NECESSARY NOW A BRIDGE ACROSS IS AVAILABLE. SCRAP THE CAR PARK & LANDSCAPE THE AREA WITH NATIVE PLANTS. NO PARKING AREAS CLOSE TO THE CHURCH.

I seek the following decision from the Mackenzie District Council:

(give precise details)

PROHIBIT ALL MOTORISED VEHICLES - CRAFTS AND ANY OTHER WHEELED MACHINES FROM OPERATING ON LAKE PUKAKI AND SURROUNDING RIVER BEDS

BAN ANY CRAFT USED FOR ACCOMMODATION.

ANY OF NOW MOTORISED VEHICLES / CRAFTS MUST BE VERY CAREFULLY CONTROLLED OR PROHIBITED.

I wish to be heard in support of my submission

I do not wish to be heard in support of my submission

(tick one box)

If others make a similar submission ~~would~~ / would not (delete one) be prepared to consider presenting a joint case with them at any hearing.

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## Kate Grant

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**Sent:** Monday, 5 March 2018 11:10 a.m.  
**To:** Kate Grant <Kate@mackenzie.govt.nz>  
**Subject:** FORM 5 SUBMISSION ON PLAN CHANGE 19

I would like to congratulate the Council for proposing that motorised craft be prohibited on Lake Pukaki (with a few exceptions). I strongly support this proposal as it protects a beautiful part of NZ that will become increasingly important in the future. In time to come the Council will be applauded for taking this future-proofing move.

I drive around the shores of Lake Pukaki from time to time, particularly the south-east, and see the large number of residents and tourists alike who stop to admire the undeveloped and spectacularly peaceful views up the Lake towards Mt Cook. This can only become more important in the future. Two days ago on Saturday 3 March while driving north I was saddened to see and hear a jetski being driven around the southern shore near the Visitor Centre. This is exactly what we don't need on this beautiful lake.

Please proceed with enacting your proposal to prohibit motorised craft on Lake Pukaki.

Gavin James





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I do not wish to be heard in support of my submission

If others make a similar submission I would be prepared to consider presenting a joint case with them at any hearing.

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Amend Rural Zone Policies (Section 7) as follows:

- Rural Objective 8
- Rural Policy 8A – Values of Waterbodies.
- Rural Policy 8B – Lake Pukaki
- Rural Policy 8C – Commercial Activities

Amend Rural Zone Rules (Section 7) by adding new Clause 7A – Activities on or within waterbodies, specifically:

- 7A.2 Activities on or within Lake Pukaki

**My submission is:**

I support Plan Change 19 and, in particular, Rural Objective 8, Rural Policies 8A, 8B and 8C, and the new Clause 7A added to Section 7 - Rural Zone Rules.

We need quiet spaces to enjoy, our family enjoy kayaking and other lakes with boats can make it unpleasant and dangerous and noisy. Leave some lakes for non-motorized users. This allows wildlife and people to enjoy the outdoors. Motorised craft leave waves which can create hazards for other users, There are already many lakes for the faster vessels, some areas for quiet enjoyment need to be included in planning of outdoor areas.

**I seek the following decision from the Mackenzie District Council:**

I agree with the proposed policy and rule changes, reasons and explanations for *Activities on Waterbodies* proposed by Mackenzie District Council in Plan Change 19, particularly the changes that will preserve and protect the special character of Lake Pukaki's visual and general amenity values, conservation values, wildlife and wildlife habitats, public health and safety, recreational values, and takata whenua values.

I submit that Mackenzie District Council implement the following Activities on and Within Waterbodies policy and rule changes as proposed by Plan Change 19.

- PART A - Adopt the amendments and additions to Rural Zone Policies (Section 7) proposed by Plan Change 19.
- PART C – Adopt the new Rural Zone Rules as proposed by Plan Change 19 and in particular rule 7A.2 – Activities on or within Lake Pukaki
- I submit that Mackenzie District Council also address the matters of noise control not addressed by Plan Change 19 and amend District Plan Section 14 Clause 2.3.4 Watercraft Noise to reflect the special character of the Mackenzie Lakes and specifically Lake Pukaki. Given the special character of Lake Pukaki the noise levels should be at most the same as 'Quiet Rural Noise' which is 30 dBA. Maximum noise level should apply to all craft, including recreational craft, operating in waterbodies including Lake Pukaki.

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Date: 4 March 2018

Signature of submitter: Not required if you make your submission by email.)

Contact person (name and designation, if applicable):

I do not wish to be heard in support of my submission

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**My submission is:**

I support Plan Change 19 and, in particular, Rural Objective 8, Rural Policies 8A, 8B and 8C, and the new Clause 7A added to Section 7 - Rural Zone Rules.

Although I am not a Kiwi it was important to me personally to support this measure. My family and I have been visiting New Zealand once a year for the past twelve years. We marvel at the natural beauty and pristine vistas New Zealand has to offer – truly one of the most wonderful places on earth. The lakes and waterways are spectacular as well. Seeing Lake Pukaki and Tekapo during our first visit was spectacular, and I must admit, we have the same sense of awe each time we return. Many times we would pull off the side of the road near the lakes and simply be enveloped by the just the sound of the wind and water lapping against the shore.

There are fewer and fewer places in the world that are still unspoiled. I sincerely hope that New Zealand remains one the last hold outs to commercial development. I'm not naïve enough to think it will not happen in time, but my fondest desire is that it remains as close to as it is today for as long as possible. Once things start to go down a more commercial path, it will become irrevocable – I hope that is not the fate of Lake Pukaki.

Again, I realize my voice doesn't hold much weight. I fully understand that. I simply feel it would be a shame for the character of the area to change. It is a special place to my family and me, and I certainly wish for others the opportunities to experience Pukaki, Tekapo, and really all lakes, rivers, and countryside in New Zealand the same way we have been fortunate to do. Thank you for your consideration.

**I seek the following decision from the Mackenzie District Council:**

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I submit that Mackenzie District Council implement the following Activities on and Within Waterbodies policy and rule changes as proposed by Plan Change 19.

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# Submission on Proposed Plan Change to the Mackenzie District Plan

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Enter Plan Change No.

under the Clause 6 First Schedule to the Resource Management Act 1991  
*(Please specify plan change number in the box provided)*

**OFFICE**

**Subm ID:**

**TO:** Mackenzie District Council,  
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**SUBMISSION ON PROPOSED PLAN CHANGE  
to the Mackenzie District Plan (the proposal)**

**FROM:** *(Full Name)*... Jet Boating New Zealand Inc - Waitaki Branch

**CONTACT PERSON:** *(If different from above)* ... Ronald Clearwater

**ADDRESS:** *(For Service)*... waitaki@jbnz.co.nz

info@jbnz.co.nz

**CONTACT PHONE No.:** 0272866831 **FACSIMILE:**

**1. The specific provisions of the Proposal my submission relates to are as follows:**

**OFFICE**

See attached submission.

On Section 7A 1 - support

On Section 7a 2 - oppose

On Rural Policy 8G Regulations - Support

**2. I support / oppose these provisions: *(Please tick one)***

I support

I oppose

**3. The reason(s) for my submission are: *(State in summary your reasons, and whether you wish amendments made)*.**

See attached submission.

**PLEASE TURN OVER**

**4. I seek the following decision from the Mackenzie District Council: (Give precise details).**

On Section 7A 1 - support the proposed change

On Section 7A 2 - permit the use of motorised recreational craft on Lake Pukaki as a permitted activity.

On Rural Policy 8G Regulations - support the proposed change

**5. I do or do not wish to be heard in support of my submission. (Please Tick)**

I do

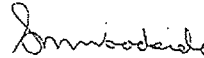
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(Signature of persons making submission or person authorised to sign of behalf of person making the submission)

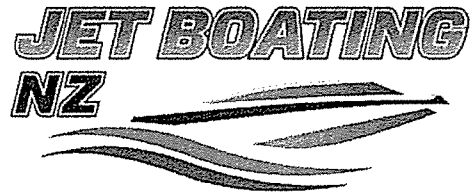


S M Woodside - Administration Manager JBNZ

(Date) 23 February 2018

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## **SUBMISSION TO MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL ON PROPOSED PLAN CHANGE 19**

### **SUBMISSION BY RONALD CLEARWATER, CHAIR, WAITAKI BRANCH, JET BOATING NEW ZEALAND INC.**

#### **A. BACKGROUND**

Jet Boating New Zealand Incorporated (JBNZ) formed in 1962. It currently has about 2000 full financial members nationally, plus some 880 family members.

It is headed by a National Executive and has 9 regional branches.

The objectives of JBNZ are:

- Co-ordinate jet boating on a national basis
- Encourage safe jet boating principles and practices
- Protect the rights of jet boaters and JBNZ
- Establish and maintain harmonious relationships with other water users.

To achieve this it undertakes the following:

#### **1 Production of Annual Safety Handbook, that includes:**

- Safe boating check list - safety items your boat should have
- Detailed information on rivers, including classification (i.e. suitability for level of experience of driver); river conditions, flow data where available, regulations applying to each river.
- Information on approved life jackets, basic knots to use to moor boats, information on towing boats
- Safety Rules including guidance for safety on rivers with respect to other recreational users.
- Recommended jet boat hand signals
- Contact details for National Executive and each Branch, and a list of current members and contact details.

#### **2 Four quarterly magazines.**

These contain articles of interest including, information and updates for members, safety information etc.

**3 Website. (jetboatingnz.co.nz)**

This contains information on JBNZ, its branches and scheduled events as well as a 'members only' section for specifics pertaining to them. It also contains the River Information from the Safety Handbook.

**4** New members get dashboard safety stickers about rules of the river

**5 Jet Boat Events**

Each branch organises event through the year. These consist of:

- **River runs.** Day or weekend events for family groups
- **Rallies.** Competitions based on boat handling skills, problem solving and boating knowledge, not on speed.
- **Slaloms.** A timed event between closely spaced buoys, usually in deep water.

**6 Driver Training.** JBNZ has developed a Driver Training Programme and requires members to display boat identification

**7 Boat Identification.** JBNZ has its own boat identification system

**B JETBOATING NEW ZEALAND SUBMISSIONS TO PLAN CHANGE 19, Section 7A**

**1 Section 7A.1..**

JBNZ submits that recreation use of Lakes Pukaki, Tekapo, Benmore and Ruataniwha and all rivers other than the Opihi and Opuia Rivers by motorised craft should remain as a permitted activity. We note that Plan Change 19 supports this. It should be noted that when the lakes were modified or created for hydro-electric storage, the scheme was identified as a desirable addition to the recreational boating opportunities in the Makenzie Basin.

**2 Section 7A.2 Lake Pukaki.**

We submit as follows:

- i. The use of motorised recreational craft is very low and it is highly unusual for a motorised boat to use the lake. The impact is therefore less than minor.
- ii. There are no centres of population adjacent to the lake.
- iii. There is a frequently used airstrip at the head of the lake, and aircraft noise would greatly outweigh noise and disturbance from any recreational boats.



- iv. While JBNZ strongly supports retaining private recreation use by powered craft, it would draw your attention to the fact that the lake is not suitable for JBNZ branch or competition events. Consequently it has historically not been used for events with one recorded exception. During the 1990 Sesquicentennial trip "Ocean to Alps" it was traversed from Pukaki to the head of the lake. This was a one-off event lasting only a short time and unlikely to be repeated. This situation and pattern of use is anticipated to continue.

#### **SUMMARY.**

JBNZ submits that the values of natural quiet and tranquillity, remoteness, grandeur and wildness of Lake Pukaki have not been compromised by recreational boating, and will not be in the future. We submit that recreational motorised boating should remain a permitted activity Lakes Pukaki, Tekapo, Benmore and Ruataniwha.



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5 March 2018

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My submission is:

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The Plan Change 19 is needed and justified because this will preserve the pristine nature of Lake Pukaki and all other rivers and Lakes in the Mackenzie country. I have been visiting Lake Pukaki every year for forty years and the experience of seeing the lake in its pristine state revives my spirit. Silence is necessary to restore the soul as well, and knowing that there will be no commercial motorised craft on the lake is something I take for granted. On a global scale, more and more of the world is being ruined by being 'developed' to cope with the high demands for 'fun' experiences for tourists. Silence combined with unchanged environments are being threatened and by supporting Plan Change 19 I will be assured that Lake Pukaki and other rivers and lakes in the Mackenzie country will forever be preserved in their unique natural states.

**NOTE: PC19 includes all the rivers and lakes in the Mackenzie and you may wish to also talk about other lakes.**

I seek the following decision from the Mackenzie District Council:

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Date: 5 March 2018

Signature of submitter: Kaye Paardekooper

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**We wish to be heard in support of my submission**

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## **Our submission is:**

We support Plan Change 19 and, in particular, Rural Objective 8, Rural Policies 8A, 8B and 8C, and the new Clause 7A added to Section 7 - Rural Zone Rules.

We support prohibiting commercial activities on Lake Pukaki which is most sensitive to new activities as we believe this is the best way to protect Lake Pukaki from any commercial activity in the future and meet the current designations of Outstanding Natural Landscape and Site of Natural Significance and support the viewing corridors around Lake Pukaki.

Lake Pukaki has special character that deserves to be protected from motorised commercial operations that would destroy the visual and landscape amenity of the lake and surrounding areas. We understand that the lake is a special spiritual lake for local Maori who view the lake and waters as the *tears of Aoraki* which flow right down to the Waitaki. The view of this beautiful water looking to the north to Aoraki Mt Cook is breath-taking and serene. Increasingly, people yearn for quiet places like this with no commercialism on clean and beautiful lakes that are easy access for all. Our quiet places will become increasingly more important for our health and well-being and our tourism industry.

**We submit that the rules and policies relating to Lake Pukaki proposed in Plan Change 19 will protect the amenity values and special character of Lake Pukaki for future generations.**

### ***Lake Pukaki Natural Quiet Zone Petition evidence***

A petition to preserve Lake Pukaki 'as it is' was raised in mid-2017. The special character of Lake Pukaki is supported by petitioners and some petitioners took time to include a comment with their signature. Petitioners have identified their experiences and feelings about the special character of Lake Pukaki in these comments. We submit the petition as evidence of the need to protect Lake Pukaki as proposed in Plan Change 19.

The general theme of petitioner's feedback is that the quiet and visually peaceful enjoyment of Lake Pukaki should be protected at the highest level from commercial motorised operation. This is an issue of great concern for petitioners who are both New Zealanders and International visitors to the Mackenzie. We submit that the protection of Lake Pukaki is an international and national issue.

The following issues are supported by petitioners and we submit that they justify the proposed new rules and policies proposed by Plan Change 19:

1. Lake Pukaki is a national treasure and New Zealand's spiritual lake leading up to Aoraki/Mount Cook. We submit that commercial motorised activity will compromise the ecological, cultural, peaceful and spiritual nature of this special area. Petitioners would like to see Lake Pukaki designated as an area free of commercial motorised activity as proposed by Plan Change 19. This will ensure that Lake Pukaki is maintained as a culturally significant and peaceful area of natural quiet.
2. Lake Pukaki is identified as a Site of Natural Significance in the Mackenzie District Plan. It has features that can be viewed from the visitor center and carpark that are designated as Outstanding Natural Landscape, and in a submission to the Plan Change 13 Council hearings, Lake Pukaki was identified as a site of cultural significance to Te Runanga o Ngai Tahu. Lake Pukaki is a very spiritual lake to the Waitaha, Ngai Tahu, and all of us, who have been moved by it, touched by it and listened to it. As such, it deserves our protection, our guardianship, and our greatest respect. Plan Change 19 provide a way of ensuring the designations on Lake Pukaki are enacted and the responsibilities for the spiritual well-being of New Zealanders are met.
3. The Lake is a mecca for tourists visiting New Zealand, with an estimated 1,000,000+ visitors each year stopping at the car park and visitors center at the southern end of the Lake to view and photograph the area, including Aoraki Mt Cook which is located at the northern end of the lake. The views are highly accessible to everyone. Nowhere else is this view possible in New Zealand. National and International photography groups and millions of others come to visit the Mackenzie just for this view. This experience is inspiring, peaceful and spectacularly beautiful and core part of our tourism offering in the Mackenzie.

Motorised commercial operation of craft on Lake Pukaki would do great harm to the tourism industry because the Mackenzie is about the space, the night sky, the tranquility, the stunning quiet, and the beauty of our pristine, spiritual lakes and our spectacular Southern Alps. These are all activities that complement our natural beauty, without intruding on what others have already created and are the best option for this stunning part of the country, particularly around Lake Pukaki. Noisy vessels in this picture plying the edges of this dangerous lake, where strong winds whip up with little warning, and particularly in the south end where people stop, will destroy this for local and overseas visitors. Plan Change 19 will ensure that tourism activities in this sensitive landscape sustain the wider tourism offering and support the economic well-being of people in the Mackenzie by preserving one of our key tourism attractions.

Visitors here escape from their increasingly overcrowded countries and gaze upon our mountains and lakes, feeling a great sense of great calm in doing so. Kiwis do too. Let's keep it that way for them, for this will become increasingly precious and will continue to be the magical drawing card to

the Mackenzie providing we protect our beautiful lake and ensure it remains pure and pristine for all New Zealanders.

4. The Mackenzie is not Queenstown. But Queenstown restricts certain activities in areas that disturb others. So does the Department of Conservation. Areas of the Mackenzie such as the Hooker Track and the Hooker Valley are designated Quiet Zones, free from motorised transport, boats and aircraft, so people can experience the beautiful quiet. It is not to say that the Mackenzie shouldn't have motorised activities, but this should be in an area that is already accepted as having the motorised forms of transport. We submit that there is precedent for Plan change 19.
  
5. Lakes in NZ have become severely polluted due to boat traffic on pristine lakes. Commercial activities bring more danger of pollution. Lake Wakatipu and Lake Wanaka are experiencing severe problems. Thankfully, neither Lake Pukaki or Lake Tekapo are afflicted by this, which is almost certainly because of the absence of COMMERCIAL boat traffic. We must all work to protect our water in these pristine lakes and Plan Change 19 gives Council the mechanisms to do this.

We submit the following comments from petitioners as evidence of the significant amenity value and special character of Lake Pukaki and justifying the need to protect Lake Pukaki as proposed by Plan Change 19. The petition currently has 2431 signatures.

Comments from the petition are listed here:

first_name	last_name	comment	town
HL	Chua	A pristine lake should not be spoilt by hovercraft activities which is noisy, and disturbs the stunning elegance and tranquility of the lake.	Singapore
Kathryn	Dodington	Although I live in Northamptonshire (Stoke Bruerne) in the UK I would hate to see my beloved country and especially the MacKenzie Country put under more pressure by such a commercial operation. Leave Pukaki alone to be enjoyed in a pristine condition as I enjoyed it as a child because those who went before me allowed it to remain so beautiful.	Stoke Bruerne UK
keith	harrison	As the text of the petition states, its a peaceful serene area, dont need large commercial ventures, noise and visual pollution	Darfield
Theresa	Campbell	Because I don't want this Jewel destroyed beyond repair like other lakes around New Zealand. Hands off it.	Christchurch
Evelyn	Skinner	Because I'm supporting all moves to minimise the environmental impact of unfettered tourism .	Clyde
VL	Weir Van Til	Been there Seen that Others should too. Or like an old marker said that I found in Wanganui "A Public Good Should Be A Public Care All Should Preserve What All May Share"	Nelson



Isabel	Dyson	Calm, peaceful & beautiful lake, let's keep it that way!	Timaru
Kaye	Paardekooper	Every time I walk or cycle around Lake Pukaki, I see people photographing this amazing view or just standing and communing with Aoraki Mt Cook across the incredibly blue waters of the Lake. This is so important for NZ, we need to ensure we have spaces that are peaceful, spiritual and where we can become part of nature. The pollution (visual and chemical) that will come with commercialisation of this lake will be a tragedy.	Twizel
E F Ian	Blackmore	Have believed for years that the unique landscape should be preserved as is.	Richmond 7020
Sheryll	Baynes	Having just visited this area i feel we need to keep some parts of our country peaceful and tranquil as they are	Thames
John	Brennan	Hovercraft destroy all wading bird nesting... this will wipe out the few remaining black stilts living on the lake edge.	Christchurch
Margaret	Goldsmith	I agree this lake should be kept for its beauty, peace and respect to Mt Aoraki	Timaru
Alexandra	Jones	I am someone who regularly visits New Zealand from Australia. The motorised boats are noisy and create pollution, the world needs to keep the few places that are left that are simply beautiful and spacious. More peace less motorised noise!	Pottsville Beach, NSW, Australia
jacqui	Lyttle	I can not believe this is happening! Areas of such pristine nature should be protected for our future generations. There are very few lakes left in NZ that are not contaminated by motorised activity. This is unbelievable!	Waitakere
Eric	Chang	I don' want lake Pukaki to become so commercialized.	Taiwan
Elizabeth	Kemp	I have visited many times over the years and brought foreign tourists. All have been overwhelmed by the peace, tranquility and beauty of the lake. To appreciate it and Mt Cook people need to experience the long drive towards Aoraki which makes them appreciate it all the more. NZ sells itself on pristiness and beauty, do not kill the goose that laid the golden egg.	Karitane
Sara	Doyle	I have visited this lake to enjoy this view and the serenity and peace were a gift from nature.	Christchurch
teresa	erceg	i haved loved this part of nz for all my life....and enjoyed and respected it...the mckenzie basin is under attack by dairy...we must save it!	christchurch
Christopher	Stokes	I like the peace and tranquility of lake Pukaki	Byron Bay
Margaret	Mount	I lived in the Mackenzie County for many years, and was always aware of the natural beauty of the three lakes. Tekapo, Pukaki, and Ohau. They are, without doubt, our national treasures. Please do not let commercial motorised lake traffic destroy one of the few pristine lakes we have left.	Invercargill

Leatrice	Holmes	I now live in Texas at Lake Fork which is a huge fishing lake..... and it's nasty. What once was a beautiful peaceful lake with great fishing has become all about the business of fishing tournaments. When the fish you catch isn't big enough but dies anyway..... they just throw it out. What a waste. Don't let this happen.	USA.....NZ citizen
Ivor	Segal	I shudder to think that people are preparing to ruin the peace and tranquility of the beautiful Lake Pukaki. Is nothing sacred safe anymore.	Harrow
Guissepe	Bell	I simply love this lake....as a young man I worked on the crew that made it in the the hydro lake that it is today. I remember when it was a river!	Wellington
Jess	Thomson	I strongly agree with the above points	Arrowtow
Alan	Simmons	iconic place. Peace and beauty.	Turangi
Jessica	Malpas	Im from the States and it always saddens me to see natural areas that are meant to be serene and peaceful ruined by the likes of motoring tourism. Not too much the ecological impacts it could have. Don't be like most of America and ruin something so pristine and special that is a natural part of your great landscape.	Sarasota, Florida
Radha	Doyle	In a time where commercial & recreational motorized craft activity is ever increasing, while countless environmental studies have proven the detrimental impacts of motorized watercraft on aquatic environments; we can no longer stand by & do nothing. Therefore I call you to action as concerned human beings intent upon protecting our water for the benefit of present & future generations world wide.	Kauai
Makere	Chapman	In the name of reverence, the sacred.	Whitecliffs
Paul	Jones	It is bad enough having the noise of cars and helicopters. There are other lakes nearby for boaties	New Plymouth
Anggoro	Roesdhyant o	It is better to leave the lake as it is, love the natural beauty during our short stay there.	Jakarta
Rochelle	Nason	It is one of the most lovely and tranquil settings I have ever been privileged to see. Everything that can be done to maintain its peaceful beauty should be done.	Surrey
Wendy	Sheedy	It would ruin the tranquility of Lake Pukaki. It is a place to absorb and enjoy, speed boats would break into this peacefulness.	Wellington
Terry Lynne	Harris	Its beauty and tranquility are beyond words.	Pretoria, South Africa
mary	macdonald	It's such a stunning area of natural beauty it must be kept pure.	Stratford Taranaki
Ulla	Reymann	It's the most incredible place - absolutely stunning & has to be preserved!	Dunedin
sharon	Obrien	I've visited this amazing lake a few times now - a very spiritual place is the only way to put it - an increasing rare thing not just in NZ but world-wide.	Auckland
jenny	Mabin	Just look and feel its presence...you dont need to put	N

		filthy...noisy planet destroyers in this space of beauty...I really dont understand the mentality of some...	
Gillian	Pollock	Keep the peace and beauty of Lake Pukaki.	Mapua
Diane	Anderson	Keep the peace and beauty of the lake the way it is now, meant to be that way naturally.	gold coast, Queensland, Australia
Emilie	Hoffman	Lake Pukaki and Mount Cook is my favorite region of NZ. It is one of the most peaceful places I've ever visited. Let natural beauty speak for itself, and protect it for future generations.	Marion
Gretel	McNeill	Lake Pukaki is a very special lake, probably the most photographed one in NZ because of its water, location and backdrop of Mt Cook. let's leave it that way - devoid of commercialism which will threaten this pristine lake. Lake Tekapo is the recreational lake for the McKenzie basin, let the status quo remain.	Nelson
Mary	Hobbs	Lake Pukaki is a very spiritual lake. The view of this beautiful water looking to the north is breath-taking. It is the only place where Aoraki is able to be viewed with lake and mountain combined, with nothing between. Increasingly, tourists yearn for quiet places with no commercialism on clean and beautiful lakes. This sacred taonga is one of the last bastions, yet with easy access for all. Our quiet places will become increasingly more important. Let's keep Lake Pukaki as pure as possible...	Aoraki/Mt Cook
Narelle	Head	Lake Pukaki is so beautiful and pristine. All the lakes of Sth Island NZ are beautiful but this is so special out of all of them because of Mt Cook and the surrounding mountains. It's a true haven and I hope it will stay that way for generations to come, please just keep it as it is.	Kingscliff
Prahlad	Telander	Lake Pukaki is too special to allow commercial activities on. It has to be one of the most pristine, pure, and beautiful natural bodies of water in the world. Please don't endanger this amazing natural treasure.	Twizel
Narelle	Head	Lake Pukaki overlooking Mt Cook is one of the most pristine lakes in the world. Please keep it that way for now and for future generations.	Gold Coast
Gwenn	Terletski	Lake Pukaki represents serenity and unspoiled natural beauty. If you allow motorization, the focus becomes self-entertainment and the true beauty will not be noticed or appreciated. There are many other lakes that are motorized for those who wish to follow selfish pursuits. Go there and leave Lake Pukaki to those who truly appreciate what has been given.	Calgary, Canada
Jill	Johnson	Lake Pukaki takes one's breath away - the peace, the serenity and the awe inspiring beauty,. It would be a disservice to everyone who goes there to see the natural beauty NZ has to offer become another noise polluted natural wonder!	Joslin
Sally	Miller	Leave natural beauty to be enjoyed by all, including natural silence.	Christchurch 8440

Davis	Yeo	My first vacation trip NZ was in 1995 and was amazed by the sheer beauty of Lake Pukaki. Spent my honeymoon a few years later in NZ and visited Lake Pukaki with my wife. Have been back several times and July 2016 marked my seventh visit. I sincerely implore all concerned party to protect and preserve the natural beauty and serenity of Lake Pukaki for all to witness and future generations to enjoy as well. Thank you.	singapore
john	gornall	My wife and I and our children have frequently visited Lake Pukaki; it is a most beautiful and tranquil place. It is pristine and has magnificent views of the distant mountains, with tranquillity - absence of noise. The unnecessary shattering of the sounds of nature would be an abomination. As a tourist place of quiet and scenic splendour it would be destroyed should a commercial operation be permitted. Settings elsewhere in New Zealand cater for the type of activity proposed.	blenheim
Warren	Chinn	Natural quiet is a diminishing resource. Like the Mackenzie Basin dark sky park, let's keep the sound scape intact as well. No hovercraft, or any other power boats on Lake Pukaki (except in emergency).	Christchurch
Bronwyn	P	New Zealand's tourism rests on the natural beauty of the land. Lake Pukaki is unrivalled, so pristine and beautiful. Please do not ruin it for future visitors and reduce paying tourists to the area.	Sydney
caro	rennebeck	Not everything needs to be marketed, turned into commercial gain or be of accessibility to everybody...sometimes its just nice to respect nature and leave her alone! Just appreciate the quiet for once....Stop the nonsense of mass commercial tourism!	Glenorchy
Lynne	Dewes	Nothing compares to this beautiful,serene and spiritual place that I have seen in my life time..please protect its beauty for generations to come..	Waipawa..Central Hawkes Bay
Kevin	Dalton	One of our most favourite areas of NZ especially Lake Pukaki. Revisiting every chance we get. Don't spoil such a unique and spectacular resource. Surely you Kiwies can do better than throw motor craft on such a beautiful spot. Come on you can do better. God even in Australia we ban motor craft on our lakes	Brisbane
Nick	Cerneaz	Our \$A tourist dollars came to the area recently because of the tranquility. As someone famously said: silence is so fragile even whispering its name shatters it. Don't squander this gem.	Sydney
Harley	Betts	Please don't let the special sense of silence and open space here be ruined by the noise of motorised craft. Milford Sound and Franz are already spoiled by the noise of tourist traffic. New Zealand seems bizarrely permissive to letting tourist operators ruin the very things they are bringing people to see. Sadly it's all about the \$.	Ashhurst
Nina	Lane	Preserve the natural state of this place	Portland OR

Rebecca	Ashley	Signed to help keep this beautiful spot in NZ natural and tranquil. We need to try and retain some peaceful corners in this crazy world :)	Stafford
Andrew	Gardner	Since when has diesel been consider "low environmental impact"? What about the horrendous noise from those fans?	Christchurch
Tracey	Newman	Some places just deserve to be left as they are....Lake Pukaki is one of them.	Eastbourne
Shane	Jeffcoat	Some places just need to retain the quiet peacefulness of nature, this is one of them	Papamoa beach
Gerald	Freeman	Spent 18 years living in the magnificent McKenzie still love the place despite the "developments " that have recently taken place. Why must NZ people lose what they cherish so that tourists get a quick buzz. i was in Wanaka some years ago when the hovercraft on the lake produced appaling noise and disruption.	Westport
Rosemary	Stokes	Such a beautiful, tranquil place. Please don't let motorised activity destroy the serenity.	Suffplk Park
Kerry	Buchanan	The idea of such a pristine area having a noisy commercial operation is ludicrous. Keep NZ beautiful.	Heathmont Victoria Australia
Suzanna	Matla	The lake is just so precious and timeless, should stay that way for always...	Swan View
Ian	Hembury	The lake would be better left unspoiled.	London, UK
Edwin	Spring	The natural state of the landscape should not be endangered. Keep noise pollution and cheap thrills out of Lake Pukaki and if possible the whole MacKenzie basin.	Sydney
Jim	O'Carroll	The quiet view is stunning and still fascinates me each time I pass.	Twizel
Patrick	Nolan	The tranquility of the region is exactly why we went there on honeymoon. To destroy that pleasure of many for the sake of some thrills for the few would be a great crime.	London
Juliet	Collins	The tranquility of the spot is what makes it special. It's one of my favorite places when I get to visit home.	Brisbane
Simon	Middlemas	There are places for boats and hovercraft and this isn't one. The area has enough problems with too many visitors anyway. Given the velocity the winds fly down the lake the risk of incidents is ridiculous.	Aoraki-Mount Cook
Hayley	Wilson	There are plenty of other lakes that people can roar around in jetboats and waterskis. Leave this one alone and keep it's tranquility as it's main attraction!	Rotorua
Patrick	Doyle	There are so few beautiful pristine places like this in the world and to find such a beautiful place that is so undisturbed was the most amazing experience we had in NZ! Please do not commercialize this area. I pray to come back in the future to celebrate my anniversary to my beautiful bride in the same way we experience it on our wedding day. Please!	Cape Girardeau, Mo, 63701

Justin	Cheney	There are too many places in the world which are spoiled by commercial activities. We need to preserve the places that are left. This is a location without a doubt that deserves to be protected. It is truly majestic.	Sydney
		Justin	
Theo	Stewart	There is little left in New Zealand which is unspoilt. The unspoilt nature of New Zealand is what brings people here in the first place.	Lincoln
Debbie	Kraak	This is our Lake - every time we come to NZ we look at our lake - why because its unspoilt unlike a lot of other lakes.	Brisbane
		Its sooo beautiful and peaceful - just to look at it :)	
Melanie	White	This lake needs to keep its feel of peace and open solitude. We have enough places that are busy with human activity - time to set aside places that stay as they are.	Lyttelton
Kyle	Clapperton -Hayes	This place needs to be protected for future generations to enjoy.	Wellington
Jessica	Carpenter	This was by far one of the best places we stayed during our holiday to New Zealand, not just because it is a beautiful place with beautiful people, but because of the serenity! It is calm and peaceful and makes you feel worlds away from the noise and strife of other parts of the world. Do this on another lake that already has motor sports.	Palmerston
Cathy	Collins	This was one of the most memorable sights on our NZ trip in 2013.	Youghal, Ireland
Julie	Greig	To keep this pristine lake as it is.	Burkes Pass
Becky	McGeehan	To preserve the serenity of this place.	Portland
Cindy	Lo	To protect the nature and beauty of Lake Pukaki. We have seen too much motorized activities around the world. We don't want to see Lake Pukaki become one of them.	Taiwan
Graham	Sperry	Too much of New Zealand's wild country is now commercialized. This locality and similar landscapes should be preserved for individuals use and not business use. Nor should DoC be able to exploit any such areas for fees or fiscal penalty.	Reporoa
Bruce	Tulloch	Tranquility and quiet environments are precious and endangered in this pressurised age. Protect our special areas from overdevelopment.	Christchurch
Roger	Straker	Two years ago we came to Lake Pukaki with my wife and stayed a night at a beautiful house on the lake and spent the entire evening watching Aoraki and the lake transformed as it went from sunshine to moonlight .  Lets keep it as it is for our children and grandchildren and the millions of visitors from all over the world who come to marvel at its beauty and tranquility.	Taunton. UK.
maureen	horwood	We got wed on the glacier and spent the afternoon in total tranquility gazing at the lake & Mt Cook. No noise. Just us. Please keep it that way.	Middlesex UK

Peter	Kraak	We just spent four wonderful days looking at this beautiful peaceful lake - words just fail because I'm left speechless.  So why on earth do we need to destroy its beauty and peace just so that someone can make a dollar.  If its that important, do it in your back yard first!	Brisbane
Anne	Askey	We need more peace and quiet, not more noise on our lakes. We need to protect wildlife. We need to save fossil fuels. But mostly, we need to stop and connect to nature without the intrusion of motors.	Christchurch

NOTE: Signatures for the petition have been gathered online and by spending time at Pukaki Car Park surveying tourists who were stopped there. At the Car Park, we experienced overwhelming support for no motorised operation with people expressing a range of emotions at this possibility from disbelief to anger. Only a handful of people we approached at the car park did not sign and this was because they wanted more information. Petitioners are from all over the world, and we believe this is a national and international issue. Signatures to the petition are still coming in daily. The petition can be viewed at: <https://www.toko.org.nz/petitions/no-commercial-motorised-activity-on-lake-pukaki-mackenzie-basin-nz/>

***Mackenzie District Council (MDC) consultation Issues and Options for Surface Water Activities in the Rural Zone preceding Plan Change 19 proposals.***

Late last year, MDC called for public consultation on management of surface water activities in the Mackenzie Basin. Submitters to the consultation overwhelmingly supported the need for new rules to manage Lake Pukaki with most submitters calling for motorized activity to be prohibited on Lake Pukaki.

We submit the concerns and recommendations expressed in the consultation documents as evidence supporting Plan Change 19 proposed new rules and policies for Lake Pukaki. Rather than attach the documents, the following are links to the scanned Surface Water Activities submissions:

[SWA Submissions 1-30](#)

[SWA Submissions 31-66](#)

[SWA Submissions 67-85](#)

[SWA Submissions 86-100](#)

[SWA Submissions 101-114](#)

**We seek the following decision from the Mackenzie District Council:**

We agree with the proposed policy and rule changes, reasons and explanations for *Activities on Waterbodies* proposed by Mackenzie District Council in Plan Change 19, particularly the changes that will preserve and protect the special character of Lake Pukaki's visual and general amenity values, conservation values, wildlife and wildlife habitats, public health and safety, recreational values, and takata whenua values.

Note that the Pukaki Natural Quiet Zone Supporters Petition relates to commercial motorised activity on Lake Pukaki. For this reason we cannot comment on 7A.2.3.b Non-commercial motorised activities.

We submit that Mackenzie District Council adopt the following Activities on and Within Waterbodies policy and rule changes as proposed by Plan Change 19.

- Rural Policy 8B – Lake Pukaki:
  - ‘To protect the unique natural quiet, beauty and tranquillity values and experience of Lake Pukaki by avoiding motorised activities on the Lake other than for essential activities.’
- ‘Rural Objective 8 – Activities on or within Waterbodies.’
  - Recreational activities being undertaken on or within the District waterways and riverbeds in a manner which avoids, remedies or mitigates potential adverse effects on conservation values, wildlife and wildlife habitats, public health and safety, recreational values, takata whenua values and general amenity values.
  - The unique natural and cultural values of Lake Pukaki and its prominent position at the foot of Aoraki are highly valued locally, nationally and internationally. It is very important that these values, which include natural quiet and tranquillity, remoteness, grandeur and wildness, and the experience of these values, are not compromised by motorised boating on the Lake.’
- Rule Change 7A.2 Activities on or within Lake Pukaki
  - 7A.2.1 Permitted Activities on or within Lake Pukaki
    - 7A.2.1.a Use of motorised and non-motorised craft for search and rescue, civil emergency, scientific research and monitoring and pest control purposes.
    - 7A.2.1.b Non-commercial non-motorised activities
  - 7A.2.2 Non-complying Activities on or within Lake Pukaki
    - 7A.2.2.a Commercial non-motorised activities
    - 7A.2.2.b Jetties and boat ramps
  - 7A.2.3 Prohibited Activities
    - 7A.2.3.a Commercial motorised activities
    - 7A.2.3.c Craft on the surface of waterways used for accommodation.
- (ii) Make necessary amendments as is requested in (xi) to (xiii).
- (iii) We submit that Plan Change 19, and related amendments we have suggested above, achieves Part II and Section 32 of the RMA.
- We submit that Mackenzie District Council also address the matters of noise control not addressed by Plan Change 19 and amend District Plan Section 14 Clause 2.3.4 Watercraft Noise to reflect the special character of the Mackenzie Lakes and specifically Lake Pukaki. Given the special character of Lake Pukaki the noise levels should be at most the same as ‘Quiet Rural Noise’ which is 30 dBA. Maximum noise level should apply to all craft, including recreational craft, operating in waterbodies including Lake Pukaki.



FORM 5

SUBMISSION ON A PUBLICLY NOTIFIED PLAN CHANGE/ VARIATION

CLAUSE 6 OF FIRST SCHEDULE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991

TO: Planning Manager, Mackenzie District Council  
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Contact person (name and designation, if applicable):

I do not wish to be heard in support of my submission

If others make a similar submission I would be prepared to consider presenting a joint case with them at any hearing.

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**This is a submission on proposed Plan Change 19 to the Mackenzie District Plan. The specific provisions of the proposal that my submission relates to are:**

Amend Rural Zone Policies (Section 7) as follows:

- Rural Objective 8
- Rural Policy 8A – Values of Waterbodies.
- Rural Policy 8B – Lake Pukaki
- Rural Policy 8C – Commercial Activities

Amend Rural Zone Rules (Section 7) by adding new Clause 7A – Activities on or within waterbodies, specifically:

- 7A.2 Activities on or within Lake Pukaki

**My submission is:**

I support Plan Change 19 and, in particular, Rural Objective 8, Rural Policies 8A, 8B and 8C, and the new Clause 7A added to Section 7 - Rural Zone Rules.

I have been fishing recently in the Tekapo canal and was surprised at the sheer volume of a little boat (found to be a hovercraft) operating on Lake Pukaki. Presumably because of the surrounding mountains the noise is amplified somewhat but it is certainly a public nuisance and certainly disturbs the peace and tranquility of the area. Everyone I spoke to said much the same thing...such as it was "a pain in the b\*\*\*!

The beauty of our basin is its peace and tranquillity. I certainly don't want it to become another noisy Queenstown (or similar) and therefore truly support any plan that aims to maintain this peace.

I also find the 'Tekapo Jets' operation to be too noisy as even from our place we can hear the noise (even through our double glazing) as they troll up and down the lake!

Hence, I would like to see **Commercial Motorised activities prohibited on Lake Tekapo**

**I seek the following decision from the Mackenzie District Council:**

I agree with the proposed policy and rule changes, reasons and explanations for *Activities on Waterbodies* proposed by Mackenzie District Council in Plan Change 19, particularly the changes that will preserve and protect the special character of Lake Pukaki's visual and general amenity values, conservation values, wildlife and wildlife habitats, public health and safety, recreational values, tranquility and takata whenua values.

I submit that Mackenzie District Council implement the following Activities on and Within Waterbodies policy and rule changes as proposed by Plan Change 19.

- PART A - Adopt the amendments and additions to Rural Zone Policies (Section 7) proposed by Plan Change 19.
- PART C – Adopt the new Rural Zone Rules as proposed by Plan Change 19 and in particular rule 7A.2 – Activities on or within Lake Pukaki
- I submit that Mackenzie District Council also address the matters of noise control not addressed by Plan Change 19 and amend District Plan Section 14 Clause 2.3.4 Watercraft Noise to reflect the special character of the Mackenzie Lakes and specifically Lake Pukaki and Lake Tekapo. Given the special character of Lake Pukaki the noise levels should be at most the same as 'Quiet Rural Noise' which is 30 dBA. Maximum noise level should apply to all craft, including recreational craft, operating in waterbodies including Lake Pukaki and Lake Tekapo.