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Submission on Resource Consent Application – **APP146952**

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Consent Status: I strongly **oppose** this resource consent application.

Whakapapa Connection / Introduction:

Ko wai au – I am a **descendant of the whenua and taiao** surrounding Wharekōrino Stream.

My **whakapapa connects me** to this place through my tūpuna and through my hapū, which include:

Hapu Affiliations:

Ngati Ngutu,

Ngāti Huiao,

Ngati Inurangi,

Ngati Paia

Ngāti Paretekawa,

Ngāti Rahurahu,

Ngāti Tuwhakataha,

Ngati Taohua

Tupuna:

Pokuru1B (Original Owner)

Te Muraahi Niketi,

Rangi Muraahi,

Tikiwhenua Muraahi,

Wahirangi Muraahi,

Mangu Muraahi.

Tokanui 1B (Pukekawakawa Original Owner)

TeKohika Raureti,
Rihi TeKohika,
TeMuraahi Niketi,
Rangi Muraahi,
Tikiwhenua Muraahi,
Wahirangi Muraahi,
Mangu Muraahi
Hapimana Mokau
Poipoi Hapimana
Rihi Hapimana,
Mokau Hapimana,
Te Ngare TeKohika.

Marae affiliation-

Mangatoatoa Marae

As a member of these whānau and hapū collective, I carry kaitiaki responsibilities to protect the mauri of our airways, whenua and awa.

Reasons for Opposition:

- The proposed remedial works will have significant cultural and environmental impacts on the taiao surrounding Wharekōrino Stream.
- There has been clear lack of engagement and consultation with Ahi kāroa, mana whenua, and their expert cultural advisors, from both sides of the Wharekōrino.
- The disposal option chosen by LINZ, has been revealed at the end of the project and Ahi kāroa were not effectively engaged.
- The transfer of contamination from Pokuru to Tokanui and then offer it back is wrong on all levels.
- The current proposal fails to recognise and uphold the roles and views of Ahi Kāroa, mana whenua, as kaitiaki, and their right to be involved in decisions affecting ancestral airways, lands and waterways.

- Ahi kāroa mana whenua have been very clear and consistent with their view from the beginning back in 1993, 'Take everything above the ground and below the ground'. This means horizontal and vertical, Disposal pits and all Contamination above the ground and below, in the air and the waterways.
- LINZ consistent failure to engage with Ahi Kāroa, Mana whenua, has caused more damage to the relationships between Crown and Government agencies causing more distrust towards the process.

Relief Sought / Recommendation:

- That this resource consent application be terminated in its current form.
- That this proposal and any future proposals must be developed in full partnership with mana whenua, by engaging directly and meaningfully with a representative rūpu of cultural experts from the hapū listed above.

Ngā mihi,

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