

Crown Pastoral Land Tenure Review

Lease name: GODLEY PEAKS

Lease number: PT 017

Fish & Game Report

As part of the process of Tenure Review Fish & Game councils may provide advice on significant inherent values within the pastoral lease, and the information may be incorporated in the Conservation Resources Report. The advice is part of the information gathered and assessed for the development of a preliminary consultation document.

The report attached is released under the Official Information Act 1982.

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4 June 2003 Mike Todd Opus International PO Box 1482 CHRISTCHURCH

Dear Mike,

TENURE REVIEW - GODLEY PEAKS

The Godley Peaks property includes the Cass, Godley and Mistake rivers and Pollack and Sutherland Streams and is bounded in part by Lake Tekapo.

The Cass River has some spawning value for fish resident in Lake Tekapo although spawning success is relatively low. The Godley River has little fisheries value other than at the delta into Lake Tekapo together with the presence of fish in side streams. Lake Tekapo has limited brown and rainbow trout fisheries with the best angling opportunity occurring at the mouth of the tributary streams including the Cass, Godley and Mistake Rivers.

The Sutherland Stream is a tributary to the Godley near the river and is a spawning ground most predominantly for brown trout, and to a lesser extent rainbow trout.

Provisions:

Fish and Game seek a provision for the establishment of a marginal strip along the Sutherland Stream.

We note the existence of a legal road reserve along both the Godley and Cass River boundaries and Lake Tekapo, which could serve any requirement for a marginal strip. However in the case of the Mistake and Cass Rivers and along the margins of Lake Tekapo we are uncertain of the continuity of this legal road reserve and advocate for a marginal strip along those boundaries. The Fish and Game Council also advocates maintaining access to all tributary areas for angling and the retention of all existing road access.

Yours Sincerley

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