

Crown Pastoral Land Tenure Review

Lease name: KIRKLISTON

Lease number: PT 119

Public Submissions

- Part 1

These submissions were received as a result of the public advertising of the Preliminary Proposal for Tenure Review.

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SUBMISSION ON PROPOSED TENURE REVIEW: KIRKLISTON PASTORAL LEASE

Dear Sir,

I wish to make a submission on the above Preliminary Proposal as a professional plant ecologist with a lifetime of involvement in the tussock grasslands of the South Island high country, with particular emphasis on impacts of pastoral management practices, and measures to achieve sustainable management of these ecosystems. including adequate conservation of their intrinsic values. These include biodiversity values and also achieving areas for baseline ecological research.

I am conversant of the Crown Pastoral Land Act and the government's current policy of achieving a network of high country parks and reserves under this legislation, together with several complementary objectives announced in August last year.

With the knowledge of government's stated intention of establishing a conservation park on the Kirkliston Range, the location of Kirkliston Pastoral Lease on the central eastern slope of the Range implies that the conservation values on the land, which I am aware of and which had been confirmed in the Department of Conservation's Resources Report, would have been adequately identified and recognised in the Preliminary Proposal for the tenure review. This is clearly not the case. With a mere 1556 ha having been identified for restoration to full Crown ownership and control, and some 5965 ha being proposed for freehold disposal, a ratio of 2.1: 7.9, this is clearly a highly disproportionate allocation of the property to the freehold option.

Much of the area identified as CA1 on the plan, had previously been mostly identified for surrender under a water and soil conservation plan (the Haldon Retirement Area). The remaining area shown on the map as CA1 should have been extended along the north-western boundary of the property, using the existing fenceline as the boundary, to beyond the intersection of the "Little Range", as shown on the accompanying map, as well as an extension of the proposed boundary U-T further to the north-east along the edge of the broad ridge crest, as is also shown on the attached map.

The area shown as CA2 on the proposal should be extended along the mid slopes of the Haldon Downs – Kirkliston Range, using the existing fenceline where appropriate but extending down to just above the airstrip in the north-eastern corner of the property, as is also shown on the attached map. Such extensions would provide

more representative conservation areas, with more regular boundaries in terms of future mangaement and overall long-term viability.

Areas of red tuussock grassland and wetland, although of limited extent, are of particular ecological significance in the Kirkliston Ecological District, and should also have been included in the area to be transferred to full Crown ownership and control.

With these proposed additions to the areas to be transferred to full Crown ownership and control, a much more equitable division of the property would be achieved than is indicated in the proposed plan.

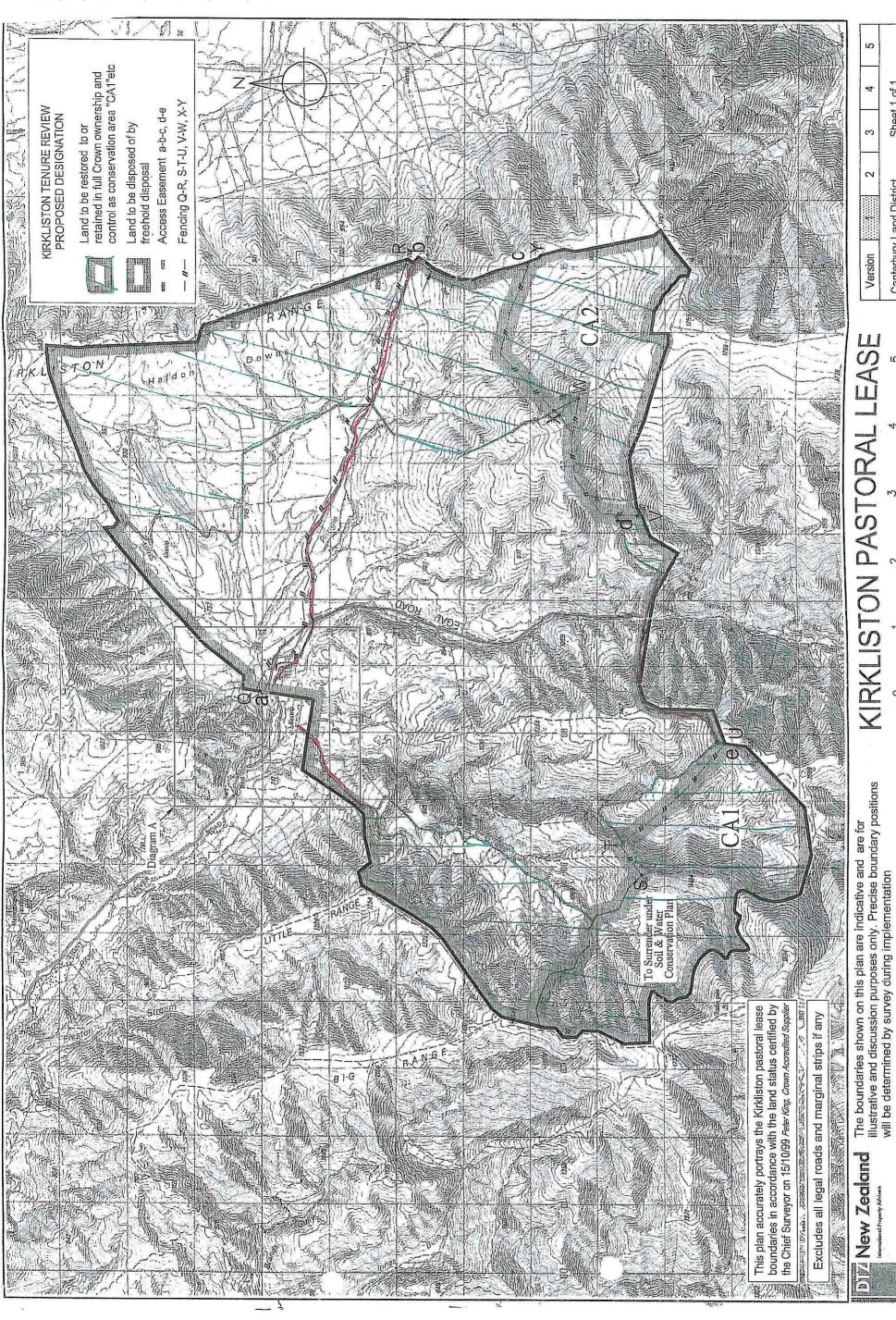
Easements proposed for public access, as shown (a-b-c and d-e) are accepted but an additional easement is required to connect the legal road to the extended CA1 along the north-western boundary of the property, as has been indicated on the attached map.

Thank you for the opportunity to comment formally on this proposal. I trust my comments and recommendations will be given serious consideration.

Yours sincerely,

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