

Crown Pastoral Land Tenure Review

Lease name: LAKE HAWEA

Lease number: PO 286

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.

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Fish and Game Resources Report for the Lake Hawea Station Pastoral Lease.

Prepared by the Otago Fish and Game Council

Section One – Introduction

1.1 Purpose

The purpose of this report is to advise the Commissioner of Crown Lands on the sports fish and game values present on the land included in the Lake Hawea Station Crown pastoral lease. The lease is being considered for land tenure review and disposal under the provisions of the Crown Pastoral Land Act. As well as habitat values the report covers angling and hunting values and any associated access issues.

1.2 Location

Lake Hawea Station is a large square shaped parcel of land that is bordered by Lake Hawea in the west and Timaru Creek in the north.

Section Two - General Resources Information

2.1 Sports Fisheries Habitat Values

Breast Creek contains large amounts of habitat for brown trout (*Salmo trutta*) spawning, juvenile rearing and adult habitat. Other waterways on the property have limited or no sports fish habitat values due to being ephemeral or steep in nature.

2.2 Sports Fisheries Recreation Values

Breast Creek provides limited recreational fishery opportunities, but it main value is recruitment of sports fish for the Lindis River fishery.

Statutory managers of freshwater sports fish, game birds and their habitats

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Section Three - Fish and Game Perspective

3.1 Fisheries Habitat Views

Breast Creek, and its large unnamed tributary, is worthy of marginal strip or conservation covenant protection from the eastern boundary of the property up to the 800 metre above sea level contour.

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Dated: 29 September 2003

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