

# **Crown Pastoral Land Tenure Review**

**Lease name: LAKE HAWEA**

**Lease number: PO 286**

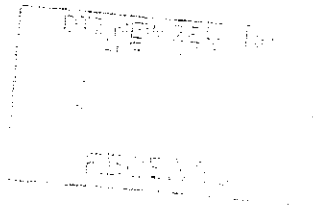
## **Public Submissions - Part 3**

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

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28 November 2005

The Commissioner of Crown Lands  
C/- The Manager  
DTZ New Zealand Ltd  
Land Resources Division  
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Alexandra

Dear Sir

Lake Hawea Station Tenure Review

I am a frequent visitor to the Hawea Lake area and have been late to realise that submissions are appropriate under this review.

Recently with my wife and two friends, I was fortunate to be able to walk up Bushy Creek from the ford at Grid reference 22178E 56190N. By travelling well up the creek we discovered access through delightful beech forest onto open tops with a walk to the ridge.

I believe the public would be well served with a track up Bushy Creek which could eventually lead to Breast Hill 22063E 56209N and onto Timaru River Hut 22315E 56319N

Yours sincerely

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The Commissioner of Crown Lands  
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Attn Phil Murray

Dear Mr Murray

The Lake Hawea Station landscape is a very dominant part of the view from our house at Johns Creek in the South East corner of Lake Hawea; part of the station is like our 'backyard' and lessees are our neighbours since we shifted here permanently nearly five years ago. We appreciate, therefore, the opportunity to comment on the future uses of this piece of Crown land in the South Island High country as per the aims and objectives set out in the Crown Pastoral Land Act of 1998 and 2003.

A major part of our enjoyment of the area is access to the lake and the land nearest to it, hence most of our submission focuses on this.

1. Walkway:

A long term vision of the local community, including us is for a walkway around the whole of Lake Hawea. It would be created along the marginal strip or operating easement of the lake, as close as possible to the water but in places this would not be possible because of the terrain. We ask that a condition of the freeholding of land beside the lake be that the land holders would provide access across their property, if necessary, for the creation of the walkway.

The creation of such a walkway would be a major recreational amenity for the local community and for the increasing number of visitors to the area. The walkway would also mean for us that the lakeside could be enjoyed over the months when the traffic up Timaru Creek Road is greatest and the dust is also the greatest.

2. Public access to and along Lake Hawea is a key issue.

The Proposal suggests two Reserve areas: R2 which is already in use and R1 beyond the cattle stop to the beginning of the freehold sections at Willow Bay.

We would like to see the reserve area (R1) continue along the lakeside on the north side of Willow Bay, and up through a strip in FH2 which is currently well-used by walkers, bikers and people picnicking. A natural sheltered area exists in this area and we consider it should be part of R1.

Vehicle access should be available from the road to this area beside the lake.

Provision of toilets in the Reserve areas should be made to stop the increasing amount of human waste appearing around the lake shore.

3. Vegetation

*i. wilding vegetation*

We appreciate that the issue of wilding vegetation is becoming a vexed issue and acknowledge the removal of the pines on the edge of R1 beside the first freehold section. Unfortunately wilding pines are part of the view from our house onto the area designated as CA6. We'd like to see some action taken to eradicate these as soon as possible as they seem to be doubling in size and number about every 5-6 years.

*ii Indigenous vegetation*

We consider the stand of kanuka along the eastern fence line of FH1 to be very significant and would like to see formal protection of this as it will be outside of the conservation area CA6.

4. Inherent landscape values

One of the major appeals of the area alongside the lake is the present open and non-built vistas. This openness allows us to increasingly appreciate the inherent landscape values of the area.

We acknowledge that 'built' landscapes are part of the function of the local district authority under the Resource Management Act, but we would hope that the area FH2 remains uncluttered by buildings.

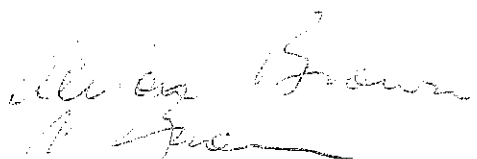
5. Access to higher level conservation areas

We would like to see the margins of Johns Creek slightly modified to provide non-motorised vehicle access to these areas as it does not seem possible to us to gain access by bike via Point m or Point k.

Conclusion:

The landscapes of Lake Hawea Station are a dominating and valued part of the Hawea area, part of the reason people choose to live in this area; they deserve protection, and we know that this is also one of the aims of the lessees. Lake Hawea Station, in particular the area adjacent to the lake, has high recreation and amenity values so access is important for visitors and members of the local communities. We ask that our submission be considered.

Yours sincerely

  
Alison and Neal Brown