

Crown Pastoral Land Tenure Review

Lease name : MOA HILLS

Lease number : PO 314

Fish & Game Report

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Otago Fish & Game Council Resource Report**General:**

The Moa Hills block is located in the upper Pomahaka River Valley. It is bordered to the north by Grafton Hill's and Mount Hope, and to the west by the Pomahaka River

Sports Fishery Values:

The streams are of a steep gradient and with the exception of Bullock Creek, contain no sports fish.

The Bullock Creek sports fish (*Salmo trutta*) have few recreational values due to the isolation of the site, small size of the stream, and access difficulties, but are important in that they are a source of recruitment for the Pomahaka River. Both New Zealand and overseas anglers hold both the Pomahaka River in high regard.

Game Bird Values:

Anecdotal evidence suggests both Chukor and California Quail inhabit the property along with Paradise Shelducks. Otago Fish & Game have no information on recreational hunting on this property. Access to the property would be at the discretion of the leaseholder.

Recommendations:

Bullock Creek should have Section 24 marginal strip protection if it does not already exist.

Access to freehold sections of the property for sports fish and game bird management purposes should allowed for as part of the negotiation process.

Access for recreational fishing and hunting across any freehold land, to conservation land, should be allowed for as part of the negotiation process.

Dated 16 June 2005

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