

Crown Pastoral Land Tenure Review

Lease name: MT COOK

Lease number: PT 132

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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Mike Todd Property Consultant Opus International PO BOX 1482 CHRISTCHURCH

Dear Mike,

MT COOK - TENURE REVIEW

Mt Cook Station borders the Jollie River on the east and the Tasman River on the west. There are a number of small, spring-fed tributaries traversing the property.

The Jollie River is an important fishery resource that provides habitat for predominantly brown trout and to a lesser extent, rainbow with good angling opportunity right up the river.

The spring-fed tributaries of the Tasman River include Oatmeal, Chap, Parsons, Andrews, Waits, Joes, McCleod and Micks Creeks and Lily and Bullock Streams. There are also a number of smaller unnamed tributaries. These all receive a high amount of annual rainfall and subsequently contain a lot of runoff. These are small streams but have important spawning value for brown and rainbow trout entering from the Tasman River.

Provisions

Fish and Game seek a provision for the establishment of a marginal strip along the Jollie River and the Tasman River including the confluence section of the two rivers. We note the existence of a legal road along the Tasman River, which although currently not negotiable due to streambed dynamics, could serve any requirement for a marginal strip.

We also seek access from the bridge at the lower end of the Jollie River to the delta, in order to best utilise angling opportunity.

Fish and Game also advocates maintaining access to all tributary areas for angling and the retention of all existing road and foot access.

Yours Sincerely

B Z Pringle

Resource Officer