

Crown Pastoral Land Tenure Review

Lease name: TEMPLE PEAK STATION

Lease number: PO 094

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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Fish and Game Resources Report for the Temple Peak 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 Temple Peak 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

Temple Peak Station is a predominantly steep block of land that overlooks the true left bank of the Rees River to the South of Mount Earnslaw.

Section Two - General Resources Information

2.1 Sports Fisheries Habitat Values

Davidson Creek contains spawning, juvenile rearing, and adult brown trout (*Salmo trutta*) habitat. The main values in the creek would be for spawning and juvenile recruitment.

2.2 Sports Fisheries Recreation Values

Davidsons Creek has minimal value as a recreational angling location.

2.3 Gamebird Habitat Values

The property provides a small amount of habitat for Paradise Shelducks (*Tadorna variegata*).

2.4 Gamebird Recreational Values

None identified.

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

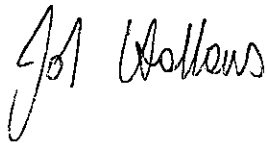
Davidson Creek, where it flows through the Temple peak property is worthy of protection, as it is a feeder stream for the Rees River and Lake Wakatipu fisheries. If the stream does not qualify for a marginal strip then a conservation covenant should be applied to protect these values.

3.2 Fisheries Recreation Views

The above mentioned tributaries have limited recreational fishing values, which will be adequately protected by the measures proposed in 3.1.

Dated: 1 September 2003

Signed

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John Hollows
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