

Form 13



Submission on application concerning resource consent that is subject to public notification by Hurunui District Council

Sections 95A Resource Management Act 1991

Please do not hesitate to phone the planning section at the Hurunui District Council (ph 03 314 8816) if you require any assistance.

To: Hurunui District Council

This is a submission on an application from Hanmer Springs Thermal Pools and Spa (the applicant) for a resource consent to install and operate a gravity-based recreation activity (flyride) on the western face of the Conical Hill Reserve at 54 Lucas Lane, Hanmer Springs.

Submitter details

1. Name of Submitter *

Sheridan Langford and Simon Langford

Please provide your full name

2. For the purposes of Section 308B of the Resource Management Act 1991: *

- I am a trade competitor
- I am not a trade competitor

3. I am or I am not directly affected by an effect of the subject matter of the submission that:

- a) adversely affects the environment; and
- b) does not relate to trade competition or effects of trade competition

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- I am affected
- I am not affected

4. The specific parts of the application that my submission relates to are: *

The application in its entirety.

5. My submission is in *

- SUPPORT
- OPPOSITION

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Include whether you support, oppose or are neutral to specific parts of the application or wish to have them amended and provide reasons for your views. This may be provided on a separate sheet if you need more space.

We are the owners of the section at 9 Oregon Heights (LOT 24 DP 57326), which is directly below the proposed stop station. We purchased this section to build our home for our retirement.

We oppose this application.

1. The application has unacceptable adverse effects on the amenity of local residents and other users of Conical Hill Reserve. These include noise effects, traffic congestion, effects on local roads, including private roads, privacy for residents and land owners below the proposed ride site, potential land slippage impacting local land and property owners, adverse impacts on natural flora and fauna and increased fire risk.
2. The proposal is inconsistent with the provisions of the RMP Reserve Management Plan.
3. The proposal is inconsistent with, breaches, or has not taken into account Section 6 of the Resource Management Act including but not limited to fauna habitat, historic heritage, and outstanding natural features and landscapes.
4. The proposal does not achieve the relevant objectives and policies of the Hurunui District Plan.
5. We bought this section for a quiet retirement in natural surrounds, and siting this flyride anywhere on Conical Hill will ruin this for us and other local residents and holiday home owners, including due to noise (all day, every day) and loss of privacy. There are also environmental impacts including land slippage and subsidence caused by removing trees and building towers and the base station which could cause damage to buildings (homes), and at worst, loss of life.
6. Our section is on a private road directly below the proposed stop station, and there is access to the walking track through the bush off the side of the road right near our section. People will park on our road and on our currently empty section in order to have a shorter distance to walk to the ride. This will impact all owners on Oregon Heights, damage the private road and our section and potentially lead to issues when we build a home.
7. Parking issues will also impact other roads around the base of the Hill and lead to costs and inconveniences for residents that they should not have to bear as rate payers.
8. The lack of parking also impacts the ability of people with a disability to access the ride. This is discriminatory.
9. Increasing the number of people using the walking track by the volumes proposed will impact the flora and fauna on the Hill with people walking off the tracks to pass each other or cut through the bush to shorten the walk, and likely lead to more rubbish and damage to the area, including water run-off and erosion.
10. There is also a heightened risk of fire in the warmer months with dry ground conditions and more people in the area, some of whom will smoke, or could potentially light a fire, with issues of access for fire services to reach the area with the traffic congestion. This poses a risk to the whole village and the precious natural surrounds.
10. We understand the economic value of adding additional recreation activities to the area but not in the residential area of the village as this impacts peoples lives beyond what is reasonable, including privacy, noise, parking and safety.

6. I seek the following decision from the consent authority: *

give precise details, including the general nature of any conditions sought

That consent to construct and operate the Flyride on Conical Hill be declined .

7. Do you wish to be heard in support of your submission *

I do wish to be heard

I do not wish to be heard

8. If others make a similar submission, I will consider presenting a joint case with them at the hearing. *

- Yes
- No

9. In pursuant to Section 100A of the Resource Management Act 1991: I request / do not request that the council delegate their functions, powers, and duties to hear and decide the application to 1 or more hearings commissioners who are not members of the local authority.*

- I request
- I do not request

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Note to submitter

- By using this electronic form, a copy of the submission will be sent to the address for service of the applicant automatically.
- The closing date for serving submissions on the consent authority is 5pm on the 20th working day after the date on which public notification is given (5th August 2021).
- If you are a trade competitor, your right to make a submission may be limited by the trade competition provisions in [Part 11A](#) of the Resource Management Act 1991.
- If you make a request under [section 100A](#) of the Resource Management Act 1991, you must do so in writing no later than 5 working days after the close of submissions and you may be liable to meet or contribute to the costs of the hearings commissioner or commissioners.
- Please note that your submission (or part of your submission) may be struck out if the authority is satisfied that at least 1 of the following applies to the submission (or part of the submission):
 - it is frivolous or vexatious:
 - it discloses no reasonable or relevant case:
 - it would be an abuse of the hearing process to allow the submission (or the part) to be taken further:
 - it contains offensive language:
 - it is supported only by material that purports to be independent expert evidence, but has been prepared by a person who is not independent or who does not have sufficient specialised knowledge or skill to give expert advice on the matter.