

Addition to original submission RC210098-Proposed Flyride Resource Consent

Dear Commissioner,

I apologise that Celia and I cannot appear in person because of a prior family commitment in Wellington.

My background has been in the Electrical Industry, Fisheries Research and Maritime Monitoring. I presently assist with Trapping here in Nelson on the Mahoe track. I am a keen tramper and protector of Native birds.

Qualifications: N.Z.C.E. Electrical / Control Systems.

We own a house on Oregon Heights that we built in 1999 and will be directly affected by the proposed Flyride.

Celia and I both oppose this proposal for the reasons stated in our original submissions. Those include Disturbance to the endangered Native Species, Noise and Insufficient parking.

In the Statement of Evidence from Mandy D Tocher it is clear that the classification of the Karearea/falcon is "At Risk"

On Page 8, Paragraph 33 and 34, my submission comments are quoted, and in Paragraph 35, "indicate a healthy local breeding population of eastern karearea/falcon exists."

Conical hill is a very popular breeding area for these Karearea/falcon because of the tall trees and ample food sources. It is unfortunate that in paragraph 37 Dr. Tocher says that "lack of evidence that the Karearea/falcon is nesting on Conical Hill is a key finding"

This is just not correct as both Celia and I have observed Karearea/falcon nesting just above our house about 100 metres away. My observation and reading about Karearea/falcon note that the Karearea/falcon only act aggressively when defending their territory, nest and their young.

We have observed this aggressive behaviour by Karearea/falcon on several occasions with their young on Conical Hill.

Refer Paragraph 54 "I acknowledge nesting could occur over 2021/2022"

In Paragraph 41 there is acknowledgement that the area we have described is the proposed end point of the Flyride. It is a "potential nesting habitat for the Karearea/falcon, a clearing with a ground cover of jumbled felled branches and slash."

During the last 25 years that we have been regularly visiting Oregon Heights, Hanmer Springs, we have planted native trees extensively on our property.

We are now blessed with Bell Birds, Tui and Kereru. It is a very peaceful enjoyable location and a haven for birds.

Sitting on our upper deck in the evening is a very special occasion when the Karearea/falcon and other bird life is observed.

Our concern is that this peace and tranquillity will be changed forever by the installation of the proposed Flyride.

We strongly oppose the Flyride Resource Consent being granted for the Conical Hill location.

Yours faithfully,
Celia and Dave Rodley