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I / We oppose the submission of Metro Water Ltd.. Submission Number 519

The Particular Parts of the above submission we oppose are –

2.3 Amend the wording of the description of designation 1-14, first paragraph, to read (deletions shown in ~~strike through~~) "Owhanake Wastewater Treatment Plant – reticulated wastewater treatment (~~post-septic tank~~) and disposal purposes, including the following activities and works: ..." or words of like effect.

map reference R11794273). The pump stations are essential to the operation of the Owhanake plant and therefore they should be protected by a designation to ensure that their ongoing use and maintenance is provided for and that upgrading can be carried out as required.

7.2 The rules allow for the maintenance and operation of existing network utility services, but omit upgrading. Upgrading the network to allow for increased service demand is efficient and necessary to service the community. As aboveground structures are still required to fit within the 2m² footprint and 1.6m high envelope, the effects of such upgrading will be minimal.

And other parts that refer to Upgrading or permitting increased activities

The Reasons for my/our opposition to the above submission are -

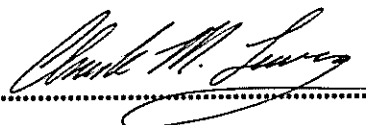
A comprehensive plan change is an inappropriate process for the changes Metro Water seeks. It was the subject of a highly contentious process whereby the compromise solution was approved Dropping "post septic tank" is a major change that would undermine the political will of the people which placed such limits on the plant prior to handing it over to Metro Water. The implications of the proposed word changes would substantially damage the character of the island. It is also inconsistent with the principles of Essentially Waiheke.

Any changes that Metro Water seeks should be in a notified application for resource consent.

I / We seek ... the whole submission be disallowed -

I / We wish to be heard

I / We would be prepared to present a joint case at the hearing with others making a similar submission

Signed..........

Dated.....23-5-07.....