

Attention: Geoff Ensor

Dept of Conservation,
P.O. Box 10470,
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Kia Ora,

Re: Change of Status for a Specific Part of the Ruahine Conservation Park

I would like to make a submission in respect of the above:

I object to the proposed Change of Status for the 22 hectares of the Ruahine Conservation Park in question on the following grounds:

- (a) the proposed Change of Status is not legal
- (b) it would set a bad precedent for other Conservation land
- and (c) the Dept of Conservation should be doing its job in protecting areas like this 22 hectares RATHER than being complacent in its vandalism.

I would also like to be heard in support of this submission

Yours sincerely,

[Redacted]
(G. F. PAINE)

P.S. I would support the Dept of Conservation taking over the 1146 hectares of the Smedley Block.

It and a number of other areas of native bush within the RWSR reserve footprint would make valuable additions to the Ruahine Conservation Park.