

BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENT COURT

ENV-2018-CHC-000042

IN THE MATTER of the Resource Management Act 1991

AND

IN THE MATTER of an Appeal under clause 14 of the First Schedule of the Resource Management Act 1991 in relation to the proposed Southland Water and Land Plan

BETWEEN **STONEY CREEK STATION LIMITED**

Appellant

AND **SOUTHLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL**

Respondent

NOTICE OF REQUEST TO BE PARTY TO PROCEEDINGS UNDER SECTION 274 OF THE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991

Dated this 22nd day of June 2018

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**NOTICE OF REQUEST TO BE A PARTY TO PROCEEDINGS UNDER S274 OF THE RESOURCE
MANAGEMENT ACT BY STONEY CREEK STATION LIMITED**

1. Twin Farm Limited ("**Twin Farm**") wishes to be a party to Notice of Appeal ENV-2018-CHC-000042 dated 17 May 2018 by Stoney Creek Station Limited to the Environment Court ("**the Appeal**") against the Decision of the Southland Regional Council on the Proposed Southland Water and Land Plan ("**the Proposed Plan**").
2. Twin Farm Limited is entitled to be a party to the Appeal because:-
 - (a) It made a submission on the Proposed Plan.
 - (b) It owns and farms land in the Waimea Valley, Northern Southland, the management of which will be directly affected by the relief sought in the Appeal.
3. Twin Farm Limited is not a trade competitor for the purposes of s308C or s308CA of the Resource Management Act 1991.
4. I am interested in the parts of the Appeal as set out below.

- (i) Intensive Winter Grazing - size of area allowed to be grazed - Rule 20(a)(iii)(l)

The proposal to allow intensive winter grazing on no more than 15% of a landholding or 100 hectares, whichever is the lesser, penalises the owners of larger properties without justifiable reason e.g. a 667 hectares property cap is 100 hectare and a 2000-hectare property cap is 100 hectares.

Relief sought:

Delete the words "or 100 hectares, whichever is the lesser" from the Rule.

- (ii) Cultivation - Rule 25

Spray and pray" does not involve "cultivation" in the traditional sense - it is a non-invasive method of use of land too steep for mechanical cultivation. The method will never produce high yielding crops due to the nature of the application.


Also, Spray and pray" is a good management practice to control noxious weeds via grazing, as opposed to spray out & allow regeneration of gorse & broom.

Relief sought:

26. Delete "spray and pray" from the definition of "Cultivation" in the Glossary.

5. Twin Farm Limited agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.

Signed for and on behalf of Twin Farm Limited:-



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Dated this 22 day of June 2018

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