

① Yesterday I drove home along the heavily flooded lower Martau river path on Pommert Street off Nile Street in the valley ^{building} and worried about the effects of any mass development ^{a proposal of 1700 houses} upstream in the Kaka Valley should it ever be approved.

As these extreme weather events become more frequent, powerful and destructive we need to urgently protect the environment by respecting nature, not by felling many trees and carving up land with heavy machinery and filling it with concrete adjacent to the river.

A site visit by the RMA Commissioners, the Council and the Developers during rain would show the full impact on the area proposed for subdivision and in my mind would be an important part of any consent decision. Not that I am an expert but it seems to be a good idea.

(* Caroline Vane ^{Additional info conclusion} 5431 2017/22)

(2) (Caroline Vine S431 - Conclusion - additional info 20/7/22)
* I implore you as the Independent RMA
Panel to recommend that Council reject
this application please

The Maitai Valley is the emerald in Nelson's
crown - This river valley is the heart of our city.
Please Keep it RURAL!

~~Maitai~~

Thankyou for your time, I would like to
thank the council for helping with my
powerpoint. Thankyou to all the speakers who
love the Kaiti Valley and River as I do!

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