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Milford Dart Tunnel Application for a Concession

The following submission outlines our objections to the proposed Milford Dart Tunnel in Fiordland National Park.

1. We seek that the concession application be declined as the effects are such that it is inconsistent with the purpose for which the land is held - that is the proposal does not increase enjoyment
 - the application is inconsistent with plans and policies around new roads in National Parks
 - the effects of the proposal are not considered minor, in particular due to the likely duration of such a major construction project
 - the long term impact on the intrinsic values of Hollyford Road end of the proposal
 - the increased pressure that will be placed on Milford Sound and its infrastructure.
 - The existing infrastructure outside the national park (road and air access) can already reasonably be used to transport visitors to Milford Sound

2. If the decision maker disagrees, and if the decision maker believes mining a tunnel through a World Heritage Area to make transport to Milford Sound quicker is appropriate, we seek that only a concession to allow further investigations be granted, and other aspects are declined. This view is on the basis that the level of information provided in the application is insufficient (eg safety, power, water use), and the proposal is likely to change substantially following further investigations, and the public should have the opportunity to submit on an application which has given full consideration to the effects.

We would appreciate your full consideration of the points raised above.

Yours sincerely,

Your name