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Designating the waters mentioned in the draft by-law is certainly a step in the right direction. These waters are of World importance as salmonid fisheries, must be recognised and protected as such.

The word, "primarily," which appears several times is a real concern. It leaves open the possibility of protection for coarse fish, particularly invasive species which present a serious competition threat to native salmonids.

To this end stock management and control of non-native species coarse fish should be maintained. It would be unrealistic to try to eliminate other species, but keeping an appropriate balance so that native salmonids are not threatened is vital.

The catchment areas around these lakes also needs to be addressed to eliminate pollution and enhance spawning and nursery areas.

I feel that without the above the new by-law will not address the problems that these fisheries face.