In summary:
The 3 agencies have spent $700,000 buying the best international science, which has been peer reviewed three times and so we are confident we’ve spotted with the “non-physical approach.”

The Moanataiari project to help our communities put the risk at Moanataiari in context and to help explain the common-sense approach we need to take.

Major concerns with the National Environmental Standards (NES)The new NES has been the underlying driver behind the inception of the project by the regional council. We have major concerns with this poor piece of policy work. But the situation is more concerning than this for children; for children, the arsenic dose from just 1L-per-day of Hamilton water is around 20 times that which is obtainable from the remediation target at Moanataiari. It appears to us that, with regard to arsenic, the threshold for soil is around 30 times more ominous than it is for water. This circumstance will cause avoidable stress to communities and down the country, beyond Moanataiari, as Ministry for the Environment Officials continue to hold their line with impractical zeal.

We believe that this discrepancy must be urgently addressed by the Ministers. Read the letter sent to the Minister at

www.tcdc.govt.nz/letters