



BACKCOUNTRY TRUST
Supporting Aotearoa's Backcountry Heritage



LEAVE A LASTING LEGACY TO THE BACKCOUNTRY

A gift in your Will can help preserve
these experiences for future generations

DEAR BACKCOUNTRY TRUST SUPPORTER

The Backcountry Trust was formed in 2017 to support the maintenance of publicly accessible, non commercial, backcountry huts, tracks and mountain bike trails in the natural environments of Aotearoa/New Zealand.

Our country has an enviable network of these facilities in our wild places that cater for a diverse range of recreation, as well as supporting the important biodiversity work being carried out by volunteers, the Department of Conservation, and complimentary organisations. Bequests have long played an important part to assist with maintaining and in some cases enhancing this network of facilities.

The Backcountry Trust now contributes to much of the combined workload to maintain this network and we do this in association with many volunteer groups around the country. Bequests help ensure our survival and every dollar we get through bequests goes directly into conservation of this network of backcountry facilities for future generations.

We intend to be around for the long haul to ensure a sustainable approach to this conservation work and over the past few years we have successfully completed maintenance on more than 280 huts in the network and maintained over 1,500 kilometers of track. We have also become an owner of huts that are run for the public good on public conservation land and Mataketake Hut in South Westland is a fine example of how a bequest can leave a lasting legacy for the outdoor community to enjoy for many generations.

This brochure contains the information you need for either your Will or Codicil which your lawyer can advise you on. If you need further information about making a gift or bequest, don't hesitate to contact the trust via our manager. You can be confident that your gift will make a direct difference to looking after the places that make New Zealand special.

Nga mihi

Kevin O'Connor

Kevin O'Connor, Backcountry Trust Chair



LEAVING A BEQUEST IN YOUR WILL IS EASY

The only information your solicitor or legal advisor needs is the Trust's legal name and charity registration number.

Legal Name: Backcountry Trust (Aotearoa/New Zealand)

Charity Number: CC54962

For more information contact the Trust Manager, Rob Brown:
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The Backcountry Trust is committed to the long-term conservation of recreational opportunities in the backcountry. Your contribution will go directly into fieldwork to achieve this.

- Renovate existing huts to conserve them for the future
- Build or maintain critical bridges required for safe travel in the backcountry
- Build new huts on public conservation land where opportunities exist to improve the network
- Assist the department and clubs in looking after historic huts
- Maintain critical track connections in the network



**We are passionate about outdoor recreation
and preserving Aotearoa's rich inheritance
of remote huts and tracks**