

Methods

Group	Views held	Methods used
TWS The Wilderness Society (interest group)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Conservation • Concerned about destructive effect on environment • South-west Tasmania a 'natural wonder' • Area of national and international significance • Should be national park for all to use 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protests • Street marches • Letter drops by volunteers • Public meetings • Prominent people as spokespersons (actor Lorraine Baily, Bob Hawke) • Organise rafting trips for politicians and media to experience environment under threat • Advertising through merchandise (e.g. stickers, newspaper ads, etc.) • Direct action – non-violent human blockade of dam works (including protest workshops) • Lobbying federal politicians • Intended arrests of protesters as stunt • Organised manipulation of media: 'see and feel' wilderness, primetime media releases, workshops
Tasmanian State Government HEC Hydro-Electricity Commission (government agency)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Franklin River a resource and should be dammed to provide electricity (40 dams built by 1970s) • Provide industry with cheap electricity • Boost employment • Alleviate unemployment • Conservationists 'rat-bag unemployed mainlanders' 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Promotion of economic significance of dam • Warn public of imminent power shortage and unemployment • Premier included in street marches and rallies
OTD Organisation for Tasmanian Development (Queenstown locals) (interest group)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Represent the majority of Tasmanians • Development = progress • Boost local and state economy • Provide local jobs • Conservation significance of Franklin exaggerated • Conservationists just 'philosophers and dreamers' 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Protests • Street marches • Advertising/stickers • Enlisted state premier as spokesperson • Media stunts (boxing gloves to 'fight' federal government directive) • Public meetings

Processes

Process	Definition	How related to issue
Legislation (creating laws)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Laws passed in parliament to assist in acting on policies 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Placed south-west Tasmanian area under control of the HEC • Legislation to Dan Franklin passed (1982) • Law of Trespass on HEC land • Federal government passed <i>World Heritage Properties Conservation Act 1983</i> (Cwith) to give control of Heritage areas to federal government
Referendum	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Population votes on a particular issue to determine if it goes ahead 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tasmanian population voted to dam the Franklin River over concern that not doing so would affect economy and employment
Court action – adversarial	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Opposing groups tackling decisions legally in the courts • Courts act as the decision-makers 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Federal government sought an end to the dam, claiming it made decisions about the use of UN World Heritage areas • Tasmanian Government fought federal government in court • High Court ruled that act was within the constitution and Tasmanian Government required to cease work on dam (1983)