

As part of a research study commissioned by WAI Wānaka, NIWA are studying water currents in Lake Wānaka. Several drifters (see image above) may be moving throughout Roys Bay during the study period. The drifters have a drogue 1 metre below the surface with a 20cm red and white surface float.

As the bulk of the drifters is submerged, NIWA is asking lake users to avoid getting too close. If you see any drifters washed up on the lakeshore or beyond the Roys Bay area shown on the map, please get in touch with Ash Rabel: 027 353 2286 to report location.

Data from the study will help us understand where run-off of contaminated urban stormwater flows when it enters the lake. For example, if it reaches the intakes for the Wānaka town drinking water supply or popular swimming areas, leading to a better understanding of the effect of human activities on long term lake health.

## PLEASE BE ON THE LOOKOUT AND AVOID THE DRIFTERS

For further information, visit the WAI Wānaka website: www.waiwanaka.nz/research-project/or contact Ash Rabel: 027 353 2286



