



## **Application for Resource Consents for Forestry Activities**

Pursuant to section 88 of the Resource Management Act 1991 and  
the Resource Management (National Environmental Standards for Plantation Forestry) Regulations 2017

All sections must be completed in full and accompanied by the initial deposit fee, the administration form (Form A) and an Assessment of Environmental Effects in accordance with schedule 4 of the Resource Management Act 1991. Failure to do so may result in your application not being accepted and/or returned.

**You may wish to consult with a Consents Officer prior to applying, as this may save you time and money in the long run.** We always recommend that you consult with anyone who may be deemed an affected party by your proposal, including neighbours and tangata whenua. We are happy to provide you with the correct contact information and anything else you might require with regards to communications and engagement.

If you have any questions relating to completion of this application form, please contact the Consents Department, Taranaki Regional Council on telephone (06)765-7127 or email [consents@trc.govt.nz](mailto:consents@trc.govt.nz).

**This form must be completed and lodged with accompanying documentation prepared for the purpose of lodging resource consent applications under the Resource Management (National Environmental Standards for Commercial Forestry) Regulations 2017** [NES Commercial Forestry](#)

Office use only		
Consent No:	Date Received:	Doc #

## 1) Applicant Details

1.1 Applicant's/ forest owner's name *(full name of proposed consent holder)-  
Please complete either (a), (b) or (c) to whom consent is to be issued.*

(a) Company \_\_\_\_\_

(b) Individual(s) 

<i>First Name</i>	<i>Middle Name</i>	<i>Surname</i>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

(c) Trust/Partnership Name \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

If Trust/Partnership: Full names of Trustees/Partners:

<i>First Name</i>	<i>Middle Name</i>	<i>Surname</i>
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

1.2 Applicant's address for service *[not consultant's address]*

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Postal \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Mob. \_\_\_\_\_

Name of person to contact regarding this application

Contact Person

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email. \_\_\_\_\_  
*(if different from 1.2)* *(if different from 1.2)*

- 1.3 Address for service *(if different from above, i.e. consultant, forest manager, or other person handling application)*

Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Postal \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Mob. \_\_\_\_\_

***The Council will serve all formal documents electronically via  
the email address in 1.2 and 1.3 (if provided).***

## **2) Site Details**

- 2.1 Name of forest *(if applicable)*

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- 2.2 Name and address of land owner or occupier at the forest site

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- 2.3 Location of forest *(Including: Street/road name, number, and locality)*

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- 2.4 Legal description of forest land *(refer to land title or rates notice)*

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- 2.5 Assessment/Valuation number of property *(refer to land title or rates notice)*

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### 3) Location Map

Please ensure that the attached documentation includes a map that shows:

- |  |                          |                       |                          |
|--|--------------------------|-----------------------|--------------------------|
| ▪ Discharge points                           | <input type="checkbox"/> | ▪ Local Roads         | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| ▪ Streams                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> | ▪ North point         | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| ▪ Surface water bodies                       | <input type="checkbox"/> | ▪ Property boundaries | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| ▪ Location of all activities to be consented | <input type="checkbox"/> |                       |                          |

### 4) Activities to be consented

4.1 Indicate the activities for which resource consent is being sought, and if no consent is being sought, whether the activity is allowed as a permitted activity or is just not being undertaken. Please note each consent applied for will require a separate deposit amount to be paid (up to a maximum of four activities) – see section 21 - Deposit

- |                                   |                              |   |  |
|-----------------------------------|------------------------------|---|--|
| A) Afforestation?                 | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No (Permitted) <input type="checkbox"/> | No (not proposed) <input type="checkbox"/>   |
| B) Pruning and thinning to waste? | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No (Permitted) <input type="checkbox"/> | No (not proposed) <input type="checkbox"/>   |
| C) Earthworks?                    | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No (Permitted) <input type="checkbox"/> | No (not proposed) <input type="checkbox"/>   |
| D) River crossings?               | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No (Permitted) <input type="checkbox"/> | No (not proposed) <input type="checkbox"/>   |
| E) Forestry quarrying?            | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No (Permitted) <input type="checkbox"/> | No (not proposed) <input type="checkbox"/>   |
| F) Harvesting?                    | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No (Permitted) <input type="checkbox"/> | No (not proposed) <input type="checkbox"/>   |
| G) Mechanical land preparation?   | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No (Permitted) <input type="checkbox"/> | No (not proposed) <input type="checkbox"/>   |
| H) Replanting?                    | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No (Permitted) <input type="checkbox"/> | No (not proposed) <input type="checkbox"/>   |
| I) Slash Traps?                   | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No (Permitted) <input type="checkbox"/> | No (not proposed) <input type="checkbox"/>   |
| J) Dust?                          | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No (Permitted) <input type="checkbox"/> | No (not proposed) <input type="checkbox"/>   |
| K) Fuel storage and refuelling?   | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No (Permitted) <input type="checkbox"/> | No (not undertaken) <input type="checkbox"/> |

Please complete the relevant sections of this form (A to K)  
for each consent being sought

4.2 If you have discussed this proposal with council staff, please give the person's name here.

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## **A) Afforestation**

**(Only answer this section if you have ticked yes to question 4.1 A)**

### **5) The afforestation consent**

- 5.1 Attach the information outlined in (a) to (f) below.
- (a) Location clearly marked on a map/aerial photo.
  - (b) The dates that the work is planned to occur.
  - (c) The area(s) to be planted in any calendar year.
  - (d) The ESC zone of the area(s) to be planted.
  - (e) Activity status (*i.e. is it a Controlled Activity or Restricted Discretionary Activity?*)
  - (f) Which of Regulations 10, 11, 12 and 14(3) the afforestation does not comply with, why it doesn't comply, and what is proposed to avoid or mitigate the effects of the non-compliance.
- 5.2 For a Controlled Activity attach an assessment of the environmental effects addressing the matters in Regulation 10 (1).
- 5.3 For a Restricted Discretionary Activity attach an assessment of the environmental effects addressing the matters in:
- (a) Regulation 17(1) as they relate to the Coastal Marine Area and the beds of rivers & lakes; and
  - (b) Regulation 17(3) and 17(4).

## **B) Pruning and thinning to waste**

**(Only answer this section if you have ticked yes to question 4.1 B)**

### **6) The pruning and thinning to waste proposal**

- 6.1 Attach information detailing why the activity doesn't comply with Rule 20, and what is proposed to avoid or mitigate the effects of the non-compliance.
- 6.2 Attach an assessment of the environmental effects addressing the matters in Regulation 20 (2).

## C) Earthworks

(Only answer this section if you have ticked yes to question 4.1 C)

### 7) The earthworks proposal

- 7.1 Attach the information outlined in (a) to (e) below.
- (a) A Forestry Earthworks Management Plan (*including the information required by Schedule 3*);
  - (b) The ESC Zone;
  - (c) Details of setbacks;
  - (d) Activity status (*i.e. is the earthworks a Controlled Activity or Restricted Discretionary Activity?*)
  - (e) Which of Regulations 34(1), 26 to 33 and 35(2) the earthworks does not comply with, why it doesn't comply, and what is proposed to avoid or mitigate the effects of the non-compliance.
- 7.2 For earthworks that is a Controlled Activity attach an assessment of the environmental effects addressing all the relevant matters in Regulation 34.
- 7.3 For earthworks that is a Restricted Discretionary Activity attach an assessment of the environmental effects addressing all the relevant matters in Regulation 35(4).

## D) River Crossings

(Only answer this section if you have ticked yes to question 4.1 D)

### 8) The river crossings proposal

- 8.1 For each river crossing consent attach the information outlined in (a) to (f) below.
- (a) Location clearly marked on a map/aerial photo.
  - (b) The type of crossing (*i.e. single culvert, battery culvert, drift deck, ford or single span bridge*).
  - (c) The 5%AEP flow and the method used to determine it.
  - (d) The date that the work is planned to commence.
  - (e) Activity status (*i.e. is it a Controlled Activity, Restricted Discretionary Activity or Discretionary Activity?*)
  - (f) Which of Regulations 38 to 46 the crossing does not comply with and why it doesn't comply, and what is proposed to avoid or mitigate the effects of the non-compliance.

- 8.2 For each river crossing consent attach details all relevant dimensions of the crossing, including:
- (a) For culverts: Internal diameter of pipe/s; number of pipes; depth of fill over culvert; depth of culvert base below stream bed;
  - (b) For single span bridges: bridge length; distance of underside of bridge above the stream bed; distance of 5%AEP flood above the stream bed.
- 8.3 For each river crossing consent that is a Controlled Activity attach an assessment of the environmental effects addressing all the relevant matters in Regulations 47(4) to 47(6).
- 8.4 For each river crossing consent that is a Restricted Discretionary Activity attach an assessment of the environmental effects addressing all the relevant matters in Regulations 48(2).
- 8.5 For each river crossing consent that is a Discretionary Activity attach an assessment of the environmental effects addressing all the relevant matters.

## **E) Forestry Quarrying**

**(Only answer this section if you have ticked yes to question 4.1 E)**

### **9) The forestry quarrying proposal**

- 9.1 For each quarrying consent attach the information outlined in (a) to (e) below.
- (a) Location clearly marked on a map/aerial photo.
  - (b) The dates that the work is planned to occur.
  - (c) The volume of material to be extracted in any calendar year.
  - (d) Activity status (*i.e. is it a Controlled Activity or Restricted Discretionary Activity?*)
  - (e) Which of Regulations 51 to 59 the crossing does not comply with, why it doesn't comply, and what is proposed to avoid or mitigate the effects of the non-compliance.
- 9.2 For each quarrying consent that is a Controlled Activity attach an assessment of the environmental effects addressing all the relevant matters in Regulation 60(4).
- 9.3 For each quarrying consent that is a Restricted Discretionary Activity attach an assessment of the environmental effects addressing all the relevant matters in Regulations 60(5).

## **F) Harvesting**

**(Only answer this section if you have ticked yes to question 4.1 F)**

### **10) The harvesting proposal**

10.1 Attach the information outlined in (a) to (d) below.

- (a) The harvest plan Plan (*including the information required by Schedule 3*);
- (b) The ESC Zone;
- (c) Activity status (*i.e. is the harvesting a Controlled Activity or Restricted Discretionary Activity?*)
- (d) Which of Regulations 64 to 69 the harvesting does not comply with, why it doesn't comply, and what is proposed to avoid or mitigate the effects of the non-compliance.

10.2 For harvesting that is a Controlled Activity attach an assessment of the environmental effects addressing all the relevant matters in Regulation 70(4).

10.3 For harvesting that is a Restricted Discretionary Activity attach an assessment of the environmental effects addressing all the relevant matters in Regulation 71(2).

10.4 What is the area to be harvested? \_\_\_\_\_ hectares

## **G) Mechanical Land Preparation**

**(Only answer this section if you have ticked yes to question 4.1 G)**

### **11) The mechanical land preparation proposal**

11.1 Attach the specific information and an assessment of the environmental effects addressing all the relevant matters in Regulations 75(2) and 75(3).



## H) Replanting

(Only answer this section if you have ticked yes to question 4.1 H)

### 12) The replanting proposal

12.1 Attach the information outlined in (a) to (f) below.

- (a) Area to be replanted clearly marked on a map/aerial photo.
- (b) The dates that the work is planned to occur.
- (c) The area to be planted in any calendar year.
- (d) The ESC Zone;
- (e) Activity status (*i.e. is it a Controlled Activity or Restricted Discretionary Activity?*)
- (f) Which of Regulations 78(2), 78(3) or 79 the replanting does not comply with (if any), why it doesn't comply, and what is proposed to avoid or mitigate the effects of the non-compliance.

12.2 For replanting that is a Controlled Activity attach an assessment of the environmental effects addressing all the relevant matters in Regulation 80.

12.3 For replanting that is a Restricted Discretionary Activity attach an assessment of the environmental effects addressing all the relevant matters in Regulation 81(4).

## I) Slash Traps

(Only answer this section if you have ticked yes to question 4.1 I)

### 13) The slash traps proposal

13.1 Attach information detailing which of Regulations 84 to 91 the slash traps do not comply with, why they don't comply and what is proposed to avoid or mitigate the effects of the non-compliance.

13.2 Attach the specific information and an assessment of the environmental effects addressing all the matters in Regulation 92(2).

## **J) Dust**

**(Only answer this section if you have ticked yes to question 4.1 J)**

### **14) The dust discharge proposal**

- 14.1 Attach the specific information and assessment of the environmental effects addressing the matters in Regulation 101 (2).

## **K) Fuel Storage and Refueling**

**(Only answer this section if you have ticked yes to question 4.1 K)**

### **15) The fuel storage and refuelling proposal**

- 15.1 Attach information detailing why the fuel storage and refuelling activity does not comply with Regulation 102 and what is proposed to avoid or mitigate the effects of the non-compliance.
- 15.2 Attach the specific information and an assessment of the environmental effects addressing all the matters in Regulation 105(2).

## 16) Assessment of Part 2 matters and policy

*An assessment of the activity against the matters set out in Part 2 of the RMA and against any relevant provisions of policy documents and regulations must be provided with the application. The assessment must be in sufficient detail to satisfy the purpose for which it's required. A generic policy assessment is below which the applicant may choose to adopt*

The proposal is consistent with Part 2 of the RMA, the focus of which is to promote sustainable management of natural resources. The various regional plans generally support consenting the activities detailed on this form if adverse effects are avoided, remedied or mitigated. A brief assessment of the relevant policies below.

### *Regional Soil Plan (RSP)*

The RSP is focussed on sustainably managing the soil resource on erosion prone land. Specific policies encourage sustainable land management practices and retention of appropriate vegetation generally by discouraging its removal and encouraging revegetation when it is removed.

### *Regional Freshwater Plan (RFP)*

The RFP focusses on sustainably managing water quality, stream ecology and the use of river and lake beds. Specific policies generally allow discharges to waterways and activities on river/stream beds if fish passage is maintained, contamination that will adversely affect the life-supporting capacity of water is avoided, and the effects of flooding are not exacerbated.

### *Regional Air Quality Plan (RAQP)*

The RAQP provides for the offsite discharge of dust if it is not offensive or objectionable.

Having regard to these policy documents would allow the consent/s sought to be granted, subject to appropriate conditions.

### **Tick one**

I adopt the assessment above ☐

I have prepared an alternative assessment, which is attached ☐

## 17) Consultation

- 17.1 In the attached documentation list the persons that you believe to have an interest in or that may be affected by the activities for which consent is sought, detail the consultation undertaken with them and their views. Attach correspondence if appropriate.

## 18) Other consents required

18.1 What consents are required from other authorities for the forestry activity?

None ☐ or

Consent Required

Authority

Applied for?

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Yes ☐

No ☐

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Yes ☐

No ☐

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Yes ☐

No ☐

## 19) Draft report and conditions

19.1 Do you wish to review and make comment on a draft of the Council officer's report and recommendation *[including consent conditions]* before any consent is issued?

Yes

☐

No

☐

*If you answered 'Yes' please consider agreeing to a timeframe extension [See section 21 below.]*

## 20) Processing timeframes

*The RMA specifies timeframes for processing resource consent applications, [for example 20 working days for a non-notified application], however these timeframes can be extended with the applicant's agreement.*

20.1 Do you agree to the Taranaki Regional Council extending RMA consent processing timeframes?

☐

Yes, provided that the extension is for the specific purpose of discussing and trying to agree on consent conditions.

☐

Yes, provided that the application process is completed before \_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_/\_\_\_\_ *[enter date]*

## 21) Deposit

21.1 A deposit must be paid for each consent sought (*up to maximum of 4*) before processing of the applications will begin.

A deposit is required with this application. This can be paid online, by cash or eftpos at our reception desk.	
▪	Taranaki Regional Council's bank account number is <b>02 0756 0040555 002</b> . Use the applicant's name as the reference. We'll send you a GST invoice marked "PAID" shortly after you have paid.
▪	The application will not be accepted until the deposit is paid. We're happy to hold the forms, but processing will not start until we receive payment.
▪	<b>Additional charges are usually incurred.</b> Please see 'Notes to Applicant' on page 15 and the Schedule of charges attached.

Deposit to be paid (Assume your application is non-notified unless Council has informed you otherwise.)	
<b>Non notified application</b>	<p>\$2,150.50 including GST per consent applied for</p> <p>x _____ no of consents applied for (up to maximum of 4 consents)</p> <p><b>Total Amount Paid \$</b> _____</p> <p><b>Payment date</b> _____</p>
<b>Notified application</b>	<p><b>\$11,385.00 (GST inclusive) per proposal</b></p> <p>• <b>Payment date</b> _____</p>

Purchase order number (if required to be quoted on invoices)		
<b>Purchase order number supplied</b> Please note a p/o number will not be accepted in lieu of the consent deposit	<input type="checkbox"/>	No
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Yes
	Number _____	

If different to above contact email addresses, please supply:			
Send all correspondence relating to this application(s), including invoices, to:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Applicant	Email Address
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Consultant	Email Address
Send correspondence and invoices once consent is granted to:	<input type="checkbox"/>	Applicant	Email Address
	<input type="checkbox"/>	Consultant	Email Address

Please provide an email address for any future invoicing required. (Eg. monitoring of this consent)	<b>Email Address</b>
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<b>Information privacy</b>
<p>The RMA requires this information to process the application.</p> <p>Taranaki Regional Council ("TRC") will use the information provided with your application to process your application and to assist in managing the region's natural and physical resources. Information in this application is regarded as <b>official information</b> and available to the public on request in accordance with the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and the Privacy Act 2020. In addition, you agree that the information in your activity application (Forms 1A to 7B) (and any documentation provided in support) will be published and made available on our website. <b>It is important that you let us know if your application includes trade secrets, commercially sensitive information, and/or any other information that you would like to remain confidential.</b></p>

<b>Signature</b>
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>I have authority to sign on behalf of the party/ies named as applicants for this consent.</b></li> <li><b>I have read, and understand, all information in this application form, including the requirement to pay additional costs.</b></li> <li><b>All information provided is true and correct. I understand that inaccurate information could result in my resource consent being cancelled.</b></li> </ol> <p style="text-align: right;">Signature ..... Date</p> <p>Name:</p>

<b>Send your application to <a href="mailto:Consents@trc.govt.nz">Consents@trc.govt.nz</a></b>
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**You can also lodge the application by the following methods**

Mail: Taranaki Regional Council, Private Bag 713, Stratford 4352.

In person: Taranaki Regional Council offices, 47 Cloten Road Stratford

*If you have not received an email acknowledgement for this application within 5 working days (for new applications) or 10 working days (for replacements) please contact [consents@trc.govt.nz](mailto:consents@trc.govt.nz).*

**Notes to Applicant – Important information – Please read carefully before filling out the application forms – email the consents team at [consents@trc.govt.nz](mailto:consents@trc.govt.nz) with consent questions**

The deposit amount is required when an application is submitted and is an initial deposit towards the final cost of processing the application. Processing of the application will begin when the deposit is received. Purchase orders are not acceptable as payment for the deposit.

The final cost of processing is based on actual and reasonable staff time and expenses incurred during the processing of the application. **Interim invoices will be issued if the additional costs incurred rise above \$3,000.00 plus GST. A final invoice will then be issued after processing is completed.**

Where there is more than one consent required for the same proposal, an initial deposit is required for each consent applied for (non-notified applications).

If the consent is notified, a larger deposit will be required. We will advise if the application is to be notified.

Withdrawn applications will incur the cost for work done up to the date of withdrawal.

The coastal marine area is the area from the outer limit of the territorial sea (12 nautical miles) to the line of mean high-water springs. For activities at river mouths, contact the Consents team at [consents@trc.govt.nz](mailto:consents@trc.govt.nz) for clarification.

Let us know if your application includes trade secrets and/or commercially or culturally sensitive material. Section 42 of the RMA enables protection of sensitive information.

Schedule 4 of the RMA sets out the information you must provide. If insufficient information is provided, we may put the application on hold or return it as incomplete.

Identify every consent required for the proposal. We may put the application on hold until you apply for all resource consents required (s91 of the RMA).

If we request further information (s92 of the RMA), the application will be put on hold and processing will not restart until all information is received.

An application does not need to be publicly notified if the environmental effects are minor and written approval has been obtained from everyone adversely affected by the granting of the consent (s95D and s95B of the RMA). Written approval forms are on our website: [TRC Non-notified approval form](#)

We may review any consent at any time if the application contains inaccuracies that materially influence the decision made (s128(1)(c) of the RMA) at the cost of the consent holder.

All collection costs incurred in the recovery of a debt will be added to the invoice amount due. Overdue invoices will incur an interest charge of 12% per annum.

Details of Council's charging policy are in its 2025/2026 Annual Plan, which can be found here: [2025-2026 Annual Plan](#)

Ongoing responsibilities
Once granted, most resource consents will incur a yearly compliance monitoring charge.
If your application is granted you will be responsible for complying with your consent's conditions and payment of your consent's charges until your consent expires. If you wish to cancel (surrender) your consent, transfer responsibilities to another party or make changes to your consented activity before it expires, you must submit notice to us in writing or make an application to change your consent.



# Appendices

## Appendix 1: Charging policies

### Resource Management Act Charging Policy. Schedule of charges pursuant to section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991

#### Schedule 1: Scale of charges for staff time

	Rate for processing resource consents and responding to pollution incidents.	Rate for all other Council work.
Professional staff	\$134/hr	\$129/hr
Professional/supervisory staff	\$170/hr	\$160/hr
Team Leaders	\$209/hr	\$195/hr
Managers	\$246/hr	\$230/hr
Support staff	\$134/hr	\$129/hr
Directors	\$409/hr	\$382/hr

#### Explanation

This scale of charges is used to calculate the Council's actual and reasonable costs when carrying out functions under the Resource Management Act 1991, including any functions transferred to it under section 33. Where those actual and reasonable costs exceed any specified charges, the Council may recover those costs as additional charges under section 36(3) of the Resource Management Act 1991. Staff time is recovered at the charge appropriate to the task which they are undertaking. The charges are calculated as per the IPENZ method with a multiplier of 2.1. All collection costs incurred in the recovery of a debt will be added to the amount due. Overdue invoices will incur an interest charge at 12% per annum. All charges exclude GST. Effective from 1 July 2025.

#### Schedule 2: Fixed minimum charges for the preparation or change of policy statement or plans and the processing of resource consents

Request for preparation or change to a plan/policy statement	\$77,000
For non-notified farm dairy discharge consent	\$1,650
For non-notified consent other	\$1,870
For notified consents (limited and public)	\$9,900
Renewal or change consent:	
• Non-notified	\$1,870
• Notified (limited and public)	\$9,900
Non-notified review of consent	\$1,210
Notified review of consent	\$9,900
Extension of a consent lapse date	\$690
Certificate of compliance	\$1,815
Serve notice of a permitted activity	\$421
Approvals under Resource Management Act:	
Water Measuring Regulations	\$502
Transfer of consent to another party or change of consent holder name (1 to 5 consents)	\$133 per consent
Transfer of consent to another party or change of consent holder name (6 to 20 consents)	\$117 per consent
Transfer of consent to another party or change of consent holder name (more than 21)	\$88 per consent