

FORM 13

SUBMISSION

ON RESOURCE CONSENT APPLICATION



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Important Note:

Please ensure that all sections of this form are completed and that the Taranaki Regional Council receives this submission before midnight on the closing date specified on the notification.

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1. Submitter's details

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Serving of documents

The Council will serve all formal documents electronically via the email address provided above.

2. Application to which submission relates

Name of Applicant: Opunake Power Limited

Proposal (activity type and location): operation of the Opunake Hydro Electric Power scheme

TRC Consent Number(s): 1795-3.0, 1796-4.0, 1797-4.0, 5581-2.0, 4744-3.0, 4563-3.0, 5692-2.0, 10826-1.0

3. Attendance and wish to be heard at consent hearing

I/we **do not** wish to be heard in support of my/our submission
(This means that you will not be advised of the date of any consent hearing and cannot speak at any hearing. However, you will still retain your right to appeal any decision made by the Council.)

I/we **do** wish to be heard in support of my/our submission
(This means that you will have the option to speak in support of your submission at any consent hearing.)

If others make a similar submission, I/we will consider presenting a joint case with them at the hearing
[Please tick if you will consider presenting a joint case otherwise leave blank]

4. The specific parts of the application this submission relates to are:



The whole application (tick box), or parts of the application described below:

(Attach additional sheet if necessary)

5. My submission is (give details):

I was a director of Opunake Hydro Limited, the company that owned and operated the Opunake hydro power generation scheme before it was sold to Opunake Power Ltd (Steve O'Sullivan). The scheme operated well and to the best of my knowledge there were no material breaches of the consents held. The scheme was an integral part of the Opunake community and we enjoyed an excellent relationship with the neighbours and the community at large. continued attached

(Attach additional sheet if necessary)

6. I seek the following decision from the Council



To grant consent



To refuse consent

If Consent is granted, the conditions I seek are:

Note: You do not have to suggest conditions, particularly if you seek that consent be refused.

None

(Attach additional sheet if necessary)

7. Request for independent commissioner(s)



Pursuant to section 100A of the Resource Management Act 1991, I request that the Taranaki Regional Council delegates its functions, powers, and duties required to hear and decide the application to one or more hearing commissioners who are not Taranaki Regional Councillors.

[Please tick if you do wish to make a request otherwise leave blank]

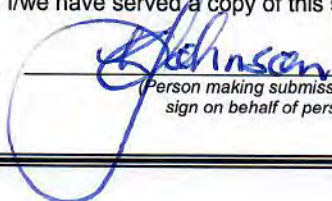
Note: Such a request may be made [in writing] up to 5 working days after close of submissions. If you do make a request under section 100A of the Resource Management Act 1991, **you will be liable to meet or contribute to the costs** of the hearings commissioner or commissioners.

8. Signature



I/we have served a copy of this submission on the applicant (This is required by section 96(6) of the Resource Management Act 1991)

Signature:*


(Person making submission, or person authorised to sign on behalf of person making submission.)

Date: 8 / 04 / 2020.

Continuation of a submission to Taranaki Regional Council for consents to operate the Opunake hydro-electric power generation scheme at Opunake.

During the time that we owned and operated the scheme, we engaged a number of local businesses to carry out work for us and this arrangement worked well for all concerned. We had a policy of using people and businesses from Opunake wherever it was practicable to do so.

The scheme has operated successfully for a number of years and all of the hydro-electric plant and equipment required for the scheme to function is in place and in working order. The power that the scheme generates comes from water and therefore it does not generate any greenhouse gas emissions, which is inline with central government's policy to have a sustainable New Zealand with reduced greenhouse gas emissions.