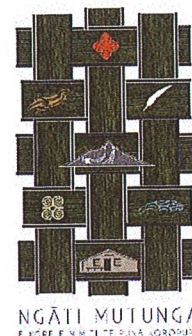


Submission on Publicly Notified Resource Consent

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2. Application to which submission relates:

Name of Applicant Remediation New Zealand Limited
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Location 1460 Mokau Road Uruti

Application Lodged: To renew a consent to discharge:
a. Waste material to land for composting and
b. Treated storm water and leachate from composting operations onto and into land in circumstances where contaminants may enter water in the Haehanga Stream catchment and directly into an unnamed tributary of the Haehanga Stream

TRC Consent Number 5838.30 and

To renew a consent to discharge emissions into the air, namely odour and dust from composting operations

TRC Consent Number 5839.30

3. Attendance and wish to be heard at consent hearing:

We wish to be heard in support of our submission

If others make a similar submission, we will consider presenting a joint case with them at the hearing

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

This submission relates to the application in its entirety

5. The Submission of Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Mutunga is as follows:

Our submission opposes the application to renew the two resource consents in its entirety due to the scale of the activity and the length of time it is proposed that the Resource Consents will be renewed for.

Significance of this area to Ngati Mutunga:

The significance of the Mimitangiatua River to Ngāti Mutunga is demonstrated by the large number of Pā, kāinga, urupā, ceremonial sites and tauranga waka and ika that are located within its catchment area. It was and remains an important source of mahinga kai for Ngāti Mutunga including many taonga species. Ngāti Mutunga see the Mimitangiatua as a Tūpuna – a living and breathing ancestor which is to be respected as such.

Ngati Mutunga have a cultural, spiritual, historic, and traditional relationship with the Mimitangiatua awa and its catchment area including the Haehanga stream. Ngāti Mutunga opposes any activities that would adversely affect their cultural relationship with the awa.

Iwi Mandate - Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Mutunga is the mandated Iwi authority for the area from the Papatiki stream in the north to the Waiau stream in the south. The Remediation New Zealand site at 1460 Mokau Road Uruti falls within this area.

Statutory Acknowledgement Area: The Ngāti Mutunga Claims Settlement Act (2006) lists the Mimitangiatua River as being recognised by the Crown as a Statutory Acknowledgement area for Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Mutunga. The Remediation New Zealand site at Uruti is in the catchment area of the Mimitangiatua River and the property boundary is less than 200 meters from the main stem of the River. The Haehanga Stream which runs through the site is a tributary of the Mimitangiatua River.

Our reasons for opposing the application to renew are:

- The application to renew is not the most appropriate or suitable way to achieve the purpose of the Resource Management Act 1991 (the act) or the stated objectives of the existing Regional Fresh Water Plan and the Regional Air Quality Plan
- The application is not designed to accord with nor will it assist the Regional Authority to carry out its functions in order to achieve the purpose of the Resource Management Act 1991 (the Act)
- The application will not properly give effect to and is contrary to and inconsistent with the National Policy Statement on Fresh Water Management 2014, the Regional Policy Statement for Taranaki 2010, The Regional Air Quality, Freshwater and Soil Plans for Taranaki and is not the most appropriate method for achieving the objectives of the Regional Policy Statement.
- The renewal of the Consent will have significant adverse effects on the environment (including the quality of the environment) including (but not necessarily limited to) significant adverse:
 - Environmental and social effects
 - Cultural effects
 - Effects on amenity resulting from discharges
 - Storm water and waste water effects
 - Odour and dust effects and
 - Cumulative effects
- The adverse effects will not be, nor are capable of being, adequately or appropriately avoided, remedied or mitigated. This is compounded by a history of non-compliance from the exercise of the current consents by the applicant
- The application is not a sustainable use of the land resource and does not properly consider alternatives.
- The application will not achieve sustainable management and is contrary to the purpose and principles of the Act.

The Rūnanga could not gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission.

6. The decision we seek from the Taranaki Regional Council:

We ask that the application to renew be declined/rejected in its entirety.

7. Request for Independent Commissioners

We do not request an independent commissioner.

8. Signature:

We have served a copy of this submission on the applicant.

A handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of several fluid, overlapping strokes that form a cursive name.

Paul Cummings, Pouwhakahaere
On behalf of Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Mutunga

Date: 11 February 2019