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### **Executive summary**

The Lower Waiwhakaiho River catchment monitoring programme monitors discharges from 13 consent holders in the Fitzroy area of New Plymouth. The report covers the period July 2016 to June 2017, and is the 24<sup>th</sup> report for this combined monitoring programme.

The Waiwhakaiho River catchment is significant for the Taranaki region. It is used for domestic, agricultural and industrial water supply, hydroelectric power generation, recreational purposes, and waste assimilation. It is also important to the local hapu. Because of the pressure on the river, the Taranaki Regional Council (the Council) adopted a water management plan for the river in September 1991.

At the end of the 2016-2017 monitoring period a total of 20 consents were held by the 13 industries monitored under this programme that discharge wastewater, stormwater and/or leachate from the industrial area at Fitzroy, New Plymouth to the lower Waiwhakaiho River and Mangaone Stream, or to land in the lower Waiwhakaiho and Mangaone Stream catchments. The activities and impacts of the consent holders upon water quality are discussed, as is the extent of their compliance with their permits, and their overall environmental performance. There is a separate report covering emissions to air within the catchment.

# During the year under review, the companies generally demonstrated a good level of environmental performance and a high level of administrative performance.

The monitoring programme has included 35 site inspections, 89 samples of discharges, groundwater receiving waters and sediments. Four macroinvertebrate surveys of the Waiwhakaiho River and Mangaone Stream were also undertaken.

In the lower Waiwhakaiho River, the biomonitoring surveys generally reported results that were similar to or better than long term historical medians. In the period under review it was found that all Waiwhakaiho River sampling sites generally recorded community richnesses similar to or slightly above long term medians for their respective sites. There was a typical downstream decrease in MCI scores between the up and downstream sites, but these results did not indicate any significant effects of stormwater or wastewater discharges. The results from the Mangaone Stream exhibited the expected and typical downstream decrease in MCI scores, however in this instance noticeable deterioration of SQMCI scores were noted in the upper of the Mangaone Stream sites during the summer survey. The successively decreasing MCI scores at site MGO000150 in the middle reaches of the Mangaone Stream noted in the previous report appears to have abated in the most recent survey undertaken in this period.

There continued to be evidence of nutrient enrichment occurring in the lower Mangaone Stream. Chemical monitoring shows that stormwater from the fertiliser distribution depot (and old fertiliser works) presently owned and operated by Ravensdown Fertiliser Co-operative Ltd, is still a source of nutrients.

Light organic preservative chemicals Tebuconazole and Propiconazole were found in the Mangaone Stream downstream of Taranaki Sawmills Ltd during the wet weather survey. The levels found, whilst exceeding national environmental exposure limits (EELS), were within the empirical NOEC's (no observable effect concentrations) for aquatic life developed by the European Chemical Agency and the Cawthron Institute.

Monitoring of groundwater and leachate in relation to the old landfill area off Bewley Road showed that with the exception of one ammoniacal nitrogen result, all of the samples collected from the three monitoring bores complied with consent limits.

There were five unauthorised incidents recorded that were associated with the consents covered by this report, one of which resulted in an abatement notice being issued. There were a further nine incidents associated with actual or potential discharges to water within the lower Waiwhakaiho industrial area not associated with the 13 consent holder monitored in this programme. One of these additional incidents was found to be breaching regional rules and resulted in an abatement notice being issued.

During the period under review, AML Ltd demonstrated a good level of administrative performance and a good environmental performance and compliance.

During the period under review, Downer EDI Works Ltd demonstrated a good level of environmental and high level of administrative performance and compliance.

During the period under review, Envirowaste Services Ltd demonstrated a good level of environmental and high level of administrative performance and compliance.

During the period under review, Firth Industries Ltd demonstrated a high level of environmental and administrative performance and compliance.

During the period under review, an improvement is required in Fitzroy Engineering Group Ltd's environmental performance and administrative performance and compliance with their resource consents. During the monitoring period it was found that hydrotest water was being discharged from the site in contravention of resource consent conditions and internal procedures.

During the period under review, Freight and Bulk Transport Holdings Ltd demonstrated a high level of administrative performance and a good level of environmental performance.

During the period under review, Katere Stores Ltd demonstrated a high level of environmental performance and good level of administrative performance.

During the period under review, the Nankervis Family Trust demonstrated a good level of environmental and high level of administrative performance and compliance.

During the period under review, KiwiRail/New Zealand Railways Corporation Ltd demonstrated a good level of environmental performance and high level of administrative performance and compliance.

During the period under review, New Plymouth District Council demonstrated a good level of environmental performance and high level of administrative performance and compliance.

During the period under review, Ravensdown Fertiliser Co-operative Ltd demonstrated a good level of environmental performance and high level of administrative performance and compliance. Whilst overall compliance with consent conditions was noted to be high, the contamination of groundwater from historical activities continues to be evident.

During the period under review, Taranaki Sawmills Ltd demonstrated a good level of environmental performance and high level of administrative performance.

During the period under review, Technix Group Ltd demonstrated a high level of environmental performance and high level of administrative performance and compliance.

For reference, in the 2016-2017 year, 74% of consent holders in Taranaki monitored through tailored compliance monitoring programmes achieved a high level of environmental performance and compliance with their consents, while another 21% demonstrated a good level of environmental performance and compliance with their consents.

When compared to previous monitoring periods, overall, a **good** level of environmental performance is being maintained in the Lower Waiwhakaiho Catchment.

This report includes recommendations for the 2017-2018 year.

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#### 1. Introduction

# 1.1. Compliance monitoring programme reports and the Resource Management Act 1991

#### 1.1.1. Introduction

This report is the Annual Report for the period July 2016 to June 2017 by the Taranaki Regional Council (the Council) describing the monitoring programme associated with resource consents held by thirteen industries in the Lower Waiwhakaiho catchment, in the Fitzroy and Katere Road industrial areas of New Plymouth.

This report covers the results and findings of the monitoring programme implemented by the Council in respect of the consents held by these industries that relate to discharges of stormwater, wastewater and leachate to the Lower Waiwhakaiho River and Mangaone Stream, and to land in the Mangaone Stream catchment.

One of the intents of the *Resource Management Act 1991* (RMA) is that environmental management should be integrated across all media, so that a consent holder's use of water, air, and land should be considered from a single comprehensive environmental perspective. Accordingly, the Council generally implements integrated environmental monitoring programmes and reports the results of the programmes jointly. This report discusses the environmental effects of the companies' use of water and land, and is the 24<sup>th</sup> report by the Council for these Companies.

A separate report covers the results of the Council's monitoring programmes associated with the air discharge permits held by some of these industries.

The lower Waiwhakaiho River has been identified by the Council as a resource of regional significance that has demonstrated evidence of adverse impact from catchment-wide point and diffuse source pollution and other river usage. This is apparent particularly during periods of low flow accentuated by abstraction related to operation of the hydroelectric power station at Mangamahoe. The Mangaone Stream has also been identified in Appendix IA of the Regional Freshwater Plan for Taranaki as a stream of high ecological value. This tributary of the Waiwhakaiho River has particularly high native fish diversity, including the presence of threatened species. It is therefore important that monitoring of the Waiwhakaiho River and Mangaone Stream is continued, particularly in relation to any major wastewater or stormwater discharges, in order that these water bodies are safeguarded as resources for the area.

#### 1.1.2. Structure of this report

**Section 1** of this report is a background section. It sets out general information about:

- consent compliance monitoring under the RMA and the Council's obligations;
- the Council's approach to monitoring sites though annual programmes;
- the resource consents held by the companies in the Lower Waiwhakaiho catchment;
- the nature of the monitoring programme in place for the period under review; and
- a description of the activities and operations conducted in each consent holder's site.

**Section 2-14** discusses the results from each individual company covered by this report. Each section has details on process description, resource consents, results of inspections and sampling, an evaluation of performance and recommendations for the 2017-2018 period.

**Section 15** presents a summary of the information on file about incidents in the Waiwhakaiho and Mangaone catchments that have been logged on the Council's database.

**Section 16** discusses the results, their interpretation, and their significance for the environment in the Waiwhakaiho River or Mangaone Stream as a whole.

**Section 17** presents a summary of recommendations made in relation to the monitoring of each company's activities.

A glossary of common abbreviations and scientific terms, and a bibliography, are presented at the end of the report.

#### 1.1.3. The Resource Management Act (1991) and monitoring

The Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA) primarily addresses environmental `effects' which are defined as positive or adverse, temporary or permanent, past, present or future, or cumulative. Effects may arise in relation to:

- a. the neighbourhood or the wider community around an activity, and may include cultural and socioeconomic effects;
- b. physical effects on the locality, including landscape, amenity and visual effects;
- c. ecosystems, including effects on plants, animals, or habitats, whether aquatic or terrestrial;
- d. natural and physical resources having special significance (for example, recreational, cultural, or aesthetic); and
- e. risks to the neighbourhood or environment.

In drafting and reviewing conditions on discharge permits, and in implementing monitoring programmes, the Council is recognising the comprehensive meaning of `effects' inasmuch as is appropriate for each activity. Monitoring programmes are not only based on existing permit conditions, but also on the obligations of the RMA to assess the effects of the exercise of consents. In accordance with Section 35 of the RMA, the Council undertakes compliance monitoring for consents and rules in regional plans, and maintains an overview of the performance of resource users and consent holders. Compliance monitoring, including both activity and impact monitoring, enables the Council to continuously evaluate its approach and that of consent holders to resource management and, ultimately, through the refinement of methods and considered responsible resource utilisation, to move closer to achieving sustainable development of the region's resources.

#### 1.1.4. Investigations, interventions, and incidents

The monitoring programme for the year was based on what was considered to be an appropriate level of monitoring, review of data, and liaison with the consent holder. During the year matters may arise which require additional activity by the Council, for example provision of advice and information, or investigation of potential or actual causes of non-compliance or failure to maintain good practices. A pro-active approach that in the first instance avoids issues occurring is favoured.

The Council operates and maintains a register of all complaints or reported and discovered excursions from acceptable limits and practices, including non-compliance with consents, which may damage the environment. The incident register includes events where the Company concerned has itself notified the Council. The register contains details of any investigation and corrective action taken.

Complaints may be alleged to be associated with a particular site. If there is potentially an issue of legal liability, the Council must be able to prove by investigation that the identified company is indeed the source of the incident (or that the allegation cannot be proven).

#### 1.1.5. Evaluation of environmental performance

Besides discussing the various details of the performance and extent of compliance by the consent holders during the period under review, this report also assigns a rating as to each company's environmental and administrative performance during the period under review.

Environmental performance is concerned with <u>actual or likely effects</u> on the receiving environment from the activities during the monitoring year. Administrative performance is concerned with the company's approach to demonstrating consent compliance <u>in site operations and management</u> including the timely provision of information to Council (such as contingency plans and water take data) in accordance with consent conditions.

Events that were beyond the control of the consent holder <u>and</u> unforeseeable (that is a defence under the provisions of the RMA can be established) may be excluded with regard to the performance rating applied. For example loss of data due to a flood destroying deployed field equipment.

The categories used by the Council for this monitoring period, and their interpretation, are as follows:

#### **Environmental Performance**

**High:** No or inconsequential (short-term duration, less than minor in severity) breaches of consent or regional plan parameters resulting from the activity; no adverse effects of significance noted or likely in the receiving environment. The Council did not record any verified unauthorised incidents involving significant environmental impacts and was not obliged to issue any abatement notices or infringement notices in relation to such impacts.

**Good:** Likely or actual adverse effects of activities on the receiving environment were negligible or minor at most. There were some such issues noted during monitoring, from self reports, or in response to unauthorised incident reports, but these items were not critical, and follow-up inspections showed they have been dealt with. These minor issues were resolved positively, co-operatively, and quickly. The Council was not obliged to issue any abatement notices or infringement notices in relation to the minor non-compliant effects; however abatement notices may have been issued to mitigate an identified potential for an environmental effect to occur.

For example:

- High suspended solid values recorded in discharge samples, however the discharge was to land or to receiving waters that were in high flow at the time;
- Strong odour beyond boundary but no residential properties or other recipient nearby.

**Improvement required:** Likely or actual adverse effects of activities on the receiving environment were more than minor, but not substantial. There were some issues noted during monitoring, from self reports, or in response to unauthorised incident reports. Cumulative adverse effects of a persistent minor non-compliant activity could elevate a minor issue to this level. Abatement notices and infringement notices may have been issued in respect of effects.

**Poor:** Likely or actual adverse effects of activities on the receiving environment were significant. There were some items noted during monitoring, from self reports, or in response to unauthorised incident reports. Cumulative adverse effects of a persistent moderate non-compliant activity could elevate an 'improvement required' issue to this level. Typically there were grounds for either a prosecution or an infringement notice in respect of effects.

#### Administrative performance

**High:** The administrative requirements of the resource consents were met, or any failure to do this had trivial consequences and were addressed promptly and co-operatively.

**Good:** Perhaps some administrative requirements of the resource consents were not met at a particular time, however this was addressed without repeated interventions from the Council staff. Alternatively adequate reason was provided for matters such as the no or late provision of information, interpretation of 'best practical option' for avoiding potential effects, etc.

**Improvement required:** Repeated interventions to meet the administrative requirements of the resource consents were made by Council staff. These matters took some time to resolve, or remained unresolved at the end of the period under review. The Council may have issued an abatement notice to attain compliance.

**Poor:** Material failings to meet the administrative requirements of the resource consents. Significant intervention by the Council was required. Typically there were grounds for an infringement notice.

For reference, in the 2016-2017 year,74% of consent holders in Taranaki monitored through tailored compliance monitoring programmes achieved a high level of environmental performance and compliance with their consents, while another 21% demonstrated a good level of environmental performance and compliance with their consents.

#### 1.2. Resource consents

Section 15(1)(a) of the RMA stipulates that no person may discharge any contaminant into water, unless the activity is expressly allowed for by a resource consent or a rule in a regional plan, or by national regulations.

Sections 15(1)(b) and (d) of the RMA stipulate that no person may discharge any contaminant onto land if it may then enter water, or from any industrial or trade premises onto land under any circumstances, unless the activity is expressly allowed for by a resource consent, a rule in a regional plan, or by national regulations.

Each of the consents that pertain to the Lower Waiwhakaiho Catchment Programme is listed in Table 1 and Table 2. The locations of the consent holders monitored under this programme and the chemical sampling sites are shown in Figure 1. The locations of the discharges are shown in Figure 2 whilst the biomonitoring sites that pertain to the monitoring programme are shown in Figure 3.

A total of 20 consents were held to discharge stormwater and/or wastewater, and/or leachate from the industrial area at Fitzroy, New Plymouth to the lower Waiwhakaiho River and Mangaone Stream during the period under review. Each of these permits was issued by the Council as a resource consent under Section 87(e) of the RMA.

Outlines of the companies' activities and the special conditions on their consents are presented in later sections, and copies of the full consents are given in alphabetical order in Appendix I.

Stormwater discharge consents have standardised special conditions that:

- Requires the consent holder to adopt best practice.
- Limits the area from which stormwater can be discharged.
- Requires the use of a stormwater discharge system.
- Limits constituents of the discharge, with specific regard to pH, suspended solids and oil and grease.
- Requires that the discharge does not cause certain effects in the receiving waters.

- Requires that the consent holder maintains a spill contingency plan to ensure that in the event of an unforeseen situation, the chances of a spillage resulting in an unauthorised discharge leaving the site are minimised.
- Requires that the consent holder maintain and adhere to a management plan to ensure that the consent holder examines the activities taking place on site, and puts appropriate controls in place to minimise the potential for stormwater contamination to occur due to routine activities.
- Requires the consent holder to notify Council prior to making any changes to the site or site processes; and
- Provide for lapse (were applicable) and review of the consent.

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Table 1 Resource consents for discharges to the lower Waiwhakaiho River from New Plymouth industrial area (as of 30 June 2017)

Consent holder	Consent number	Type of discharge	Catchment area/Volume	Review date	Expiry date
F1	0021-4	Stormwater from an industrial site into the Waiwhakaiho River	3.3 ha	June 2020	1 June 2032
Fitzroy Engineering Group Ltd	9853-2	Stormwater from an industrial site into the Waiwhakaiho River	3.3 ha	June 2020	1 June 2032
Firth Industries Ltd	0392-4	To discharge stormwater and treated wastewater into the Waiwhakaiho River	1.618 ha	June 2020	1 June 2032
NPDC	4894-2	Leachate from former Bewley Road Landfill	-	June 2020	1 June 2032
	5163-2	Stormwater from Waiwhakaiho industrial area, multiple outlets	-	June 2020	1 June 2026
NZ Railways Corporation/KiwiRail	3528-3	To discharge stormwater into the Waiwhakaiho River	4.8 ha	June 2020	1 June 2026
Ravensdown Fertiliser Co- operative Ltd	3865-4	Stormwater from fertiliser storage depot	7.5 ha	Annually	1 June 2026
	9982-1	Stormwater from an industrial site into the Mangaone Stream	1.3 ha	June 2020	1 June 2032
Technix Group Ltd	0291-3	Stormwater from an industrial site into the Waiwhakaiho River	2.2 ha	June 2020	1 June 2032
	9981-1	To discharge stormwater from an industrial site into the Waiwhakaiho River	1.8 ha	June 2020	1 June 2032

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Table 2 Resource consents for discharges to the Mangaone Stream from the New Plymouth industrial area

Consent holder	Consent number	Type of discharge	Catchment area/Volume	Review date	Expiry date
AML Ltd (Trading as Allied Concrete)	4539-2	Stormwater and treated wastewater from truck washing	5880 m²	June 2020	1 June 2026
Downer EDI Works Ltd	3917-3	Treated wash water and stormwater from asphalt plant	6.5 ha	June 2020	1 June 2032
Envirowaste Services Ltd	10109-1	Stormwater to the Puremu Stream and an unnamed tributary of the Mangaone Stream	4.93 ha	June 2020	1 June 2032
Freight & Bulk Transport Ltd	2041-3	Treated truck wash water and stormwater onto and into land	-	-	1 June 2018
	10008-1	Stormwater onto and into land and into the Mangaone Stream	1.77 ha	June 2020	1 June 2032
Katere Stores Ltd	4548-2	Treated wastewater and stormwater from feed mill	128 L/s	-	1 June 2020
Nankervis Family Trust	6965-1	Truck wash water via interceptor	Approx. 1 m <sup>3</sup> /day	-	1 June 2020
NPDC	1275-3	Stormwater from Katere industrial area, multiple outlets	-	June 2020	1 June 2026
NZ Railways Corporation	1735-3	Stormwater from Smart Road rail terminal	11.28 ha	June 2020	1 June 2026
Taranaki Sawmills Ltd	3491-2	Treated cooling water, wastewater and stormwater	5.3 ha + 12 m³/day	-	1 June 2020

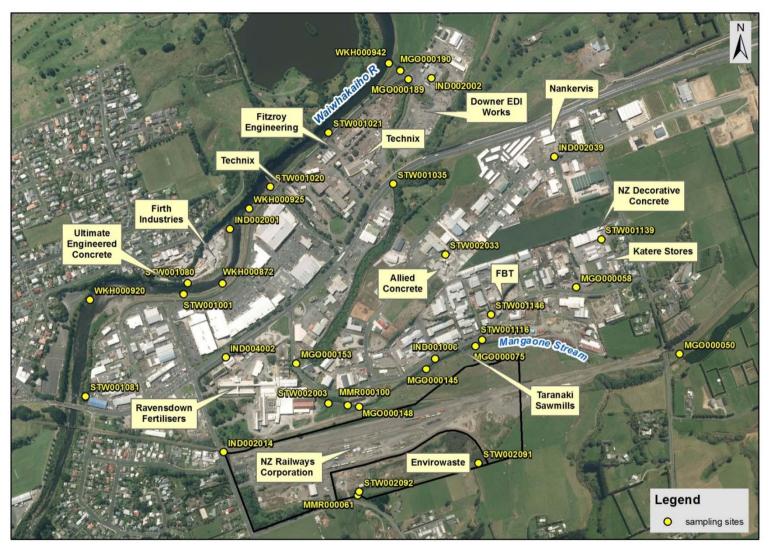


Figure 1 Lower Waiwhakaiho industrial catchment and sampling sites

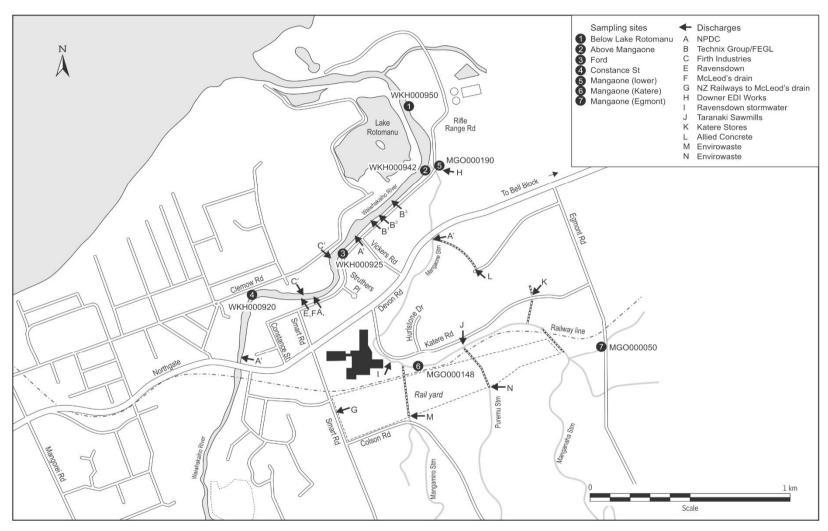


Figure 2 Lower Waiwhakaiho River and Mangaone Stream discharges

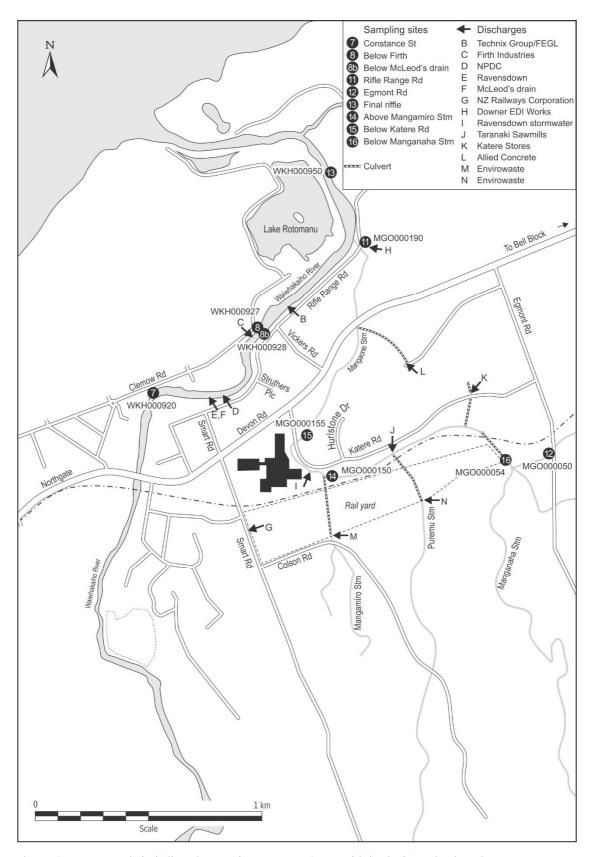


Figure 3 Lower Waiwhakaiho River and Mangaone Stream biological monitoring sites

#### 1.3. Monitoring programme

#### 1.3.1. Introduction

Section 35 of the RMA sets out obligations upon the Council to gather information, monitor, and conduct research on the exercise of resource consents within the Taranaki region. The Council is also required to assess the effects arising from the exercising of these consents and report upon them.

The Council may therefore make and record measurements of physical and chemical parameters, take samples for analysis, carry out surveys and inspections, conduct investigations, and seek information from consent holders.

The monitoring programme in the catchment consisted of five primary components.

During the 2016-2017 monitoring period inspections of industrial sites, wet weather sampling and analysis of discharge and receiving waters, dry weather sampling and analysis of ground waters and receiving waters, sediment sampling and macroinvertebrate surveys were undertaken (as outlined in the monitoring programme).

#### 1.3.2. Programme liaison and management

There is generally a significant investment of time and resources by the Council in:

- ongoing liaison with resource consent holders over consent conditions and their interpretation and application;
- in discussion over monitoring requirements;
- preparation for any reviews;
- · renewals;
- new consents;
- advice on the Council's environmental management strategies and content of regional plans and;
- consultation on associated matters.

#### 1.3.3. Site inspections

Each of the consent holders' properties was scheduled for inspection four times per year during the period under review to assess compliance with any relevant consent conditions, and the potential for unauthorised discharge. With regard to consents for discharge to water, the main points of interest were plant processes with potential or actual discharges to receiving watercourses, including contaminated stormwater and process wastewaters.

Activities on the site are discussed with respect to general housekeeping, effects on stormwater quality and wastewater disposal. Water and waste treatment systems and areas where chemicals or products are stored or transferred are given particular attention. Sources of data being collected by the consent holder were identified and accessed, so that performance in respect of operation, internal monitoring, and supervision could be reviewed by the Council. The neighbourhood was also surveyed for environmental effects.

The frequency of inspection varied depending on the type of activity at the site, the outcome of previous inspections, and the stage of any investigation of unsourced discharges of contaminants. Inspection frequency is approximately quarterly, however additional inspections may be carried out where necessary. In the period under review the Council undertook 35 site inspections.

#### 1.3.4. Water sampling

The Council undertook sampling of he discharges, surface water and groundwater with a total of 86 samples being taken during the period under review.

#### 1.3.4.1. Discharge sampling

Discharge sampling was undertaken at every site on at least two occasions either in conjunction with full wet weather runs or during inspections. A total of 50 discharge samples were taken during the monitoring period.

#### 1.3.4.2. Surface water surveys

The discharge and receiving water chemical sampling sites are shown in Figure 2. Wet weather sampling was carried out on 3 August 2016 and 15 November 2016 and dry weather sampling was undertaken on 23 February 2017 and 1 June 2017. A total of 22 receiving water samples were taken during the monitoring period.

The results of the discharge monitoring are discussed in the relevant section based on the consent holder responsible for that discharge, and the receiving water results are discussed in Section 16.

#### 1.3.4.3. Groundwater surveys

Two groundwater surveys were conducted to assess affects of Ravensdown and the Bewley Road landfill. The location of the sites sampled during the groundwater surveys are shown in Figure 4. During the period under review a total of 14 groundwater samples were taken.

Where possible, a summary of previous monitoring data for a particular site is provided for comparative purposes. Unless specifically stated all metals results are from acid soluble analysis.

#### 1.3.5. Streambed sediment sampling

Dry weather sampling of the Mangaone Stream sediments were carried out at three sites during monitoring period. This survey focused on the contaminants that may be present in the past and present discharges from the Taranaki Sawmills site.

#### 1.3.6. Biomonitoring surveys

Biological surveys are used to determine the impacts that discharges may cause over a period of time, as distinct from chemical surveys which give detailed information upon the constituents of a discharge at the time of sampling but cannot give information upon previous discharge characteristics. Biological surveys also directly indicate any significant adverse effects of discharges upon in-stream flora and fauna, so that cause-effect relationships do not have to be established as for critical levels of individual chemical parameters, although variation in habitat must also be taken into consideration.

#### 1.3.6.1. Macroinvertebrate surveys

Samples of streambed macroinvertebrates and algae are collected from three sampling sites in the lower Waiwhakaiho River and five sites in the Mangaone Stream on a biannual basis. During the 2016-2017 period, these surveys were conducted on 15 February 2017 and 27 April 2017. The locations of the biomonitoring sites are shown in Figure 3. A summary of the findings is discussed in section 16.2 and copies of the full reports are included in Appendix III.

#### 1.3.6.2. Fish survey

Fish surveys in the Waiwhakaiho catchment historically surveyed only two sites in the Mangaone Stream. In the 2004-2005 fish survey report it was proposed that future surveys incorporate more sites in an attempt to compare sites with similar habitats, and to ensure that discharges to the Mangaone Stream are not presenting a barrier to upstream migration. Fish surveys are scheduled on a triennial basis with next due in the 2017-2018 period.

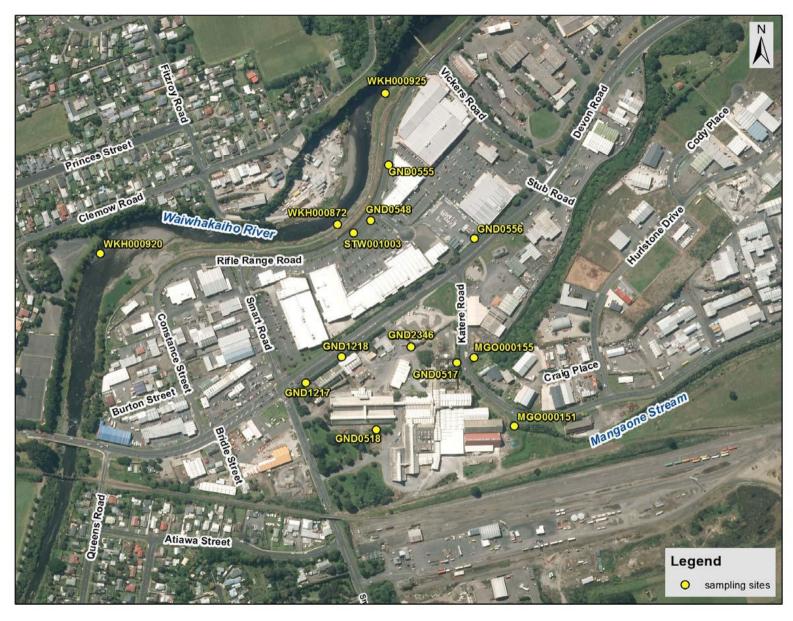


Figure 4 Location of groundwater monitoring bores and associated sampling sites

# 2. AML Ltd (trading as Allied Concrete)

#### 2.1. Process description

AML Ltd's (AML) concrete batching plant at 67 Hurlstone Drive is one of four such plants it operates in the Taranaki region. The main activities are loading of ready-mixed concrete into trucks, and the unloading of concrete raw materials including cement and aggregate into silos and bins.

Stormwater from the majority of the site drains directly to the New Plymouth District Council (NPDC) stormwater system and then to the Mangaone Stream.



Figure 5 AML Ltd (trading as Allied Concrete) site location and stormwater drainage

The wastewater treatment system consists of a series of settlement ponds and pumps for the recycling of process water. The emptied mixing bowls of up to seven concrete trucks are washed out each day using water and a small amount of detergent. This bowl wash water is discharged into two 36 m³ bins and allowed to settle for at least 18 hours before treatment through an additional series of six settlement ponds totalling approximately 360 m³ in volume. Solids from the settlement process are removed from the bins and ponds as required.

Water from the settlement ponds is recycled into the concrete manufacturing process and is also used for bowl washing. The recycled water is supplemented on most days by reticulated supply and no discharge of wastewater occurs to the stormwater drain. However, because the uncovered settlement ponds receive stormwater both directly and as run off from certain areas of the site, an excess of water may enter the system during heavy or sustained rainfall, or if rainfall occurs when the plant is not operating. This excess is discharged via a sand filter prior to entering the NPDC stormwater system, which discharges to the Mangaone Stream immediately upstream of State Highway 3.

Contaminants that may enter the wastewater treatment system include solids and detergents from bowl washing, and cement products and additives used in AML's manufacturing process.

The use of settling bins and six settling ponds in series significantly reduces the suspended solids concentration of the discharge. The small amounts of additives in the bowl wash water are likely to bind to suspended sediment in the ponds, the majority of which will settle out during the treatment process. Concentrations of any additives remaining in the discharge will be further reduced by dilution with stormwater from the surrounding area prior to entering the Mangaone Stream.

Storage areas for the concrete additives are bunded with drainage to the wastewater treatment system.

During the 2000-2001 monitoring period, it was found that untreated stormwater was exiting the site via a piped drain in the concreted car park area. This flow was channelled to the road where it entered the NPDC stormwater system discharging to the Mangaone Stream. This discharge was not covered by the wastewater discharge consent and so a cattle grid type arrangement was installed on site during the 2002-2003 year that drains to a soak hole to prevent this discharge from occurring.

#### 2.2. Water discharge permit

AML holds water discharge permit 4539-2 to cover the discharge of stormwater and treated wastewater from truck washing at a concrete batching plant into the Mangaone Stream in the Waiwhakaiho catchment. This permit was issued by the Council on 30 July 2008 under Section 87(e) of the RMA. It is due to expire on 1 June 2026.

It contains the standardised special conditions as set out in Section 1.2.

The permit is attached to this report in Appendix I.

#### 2.3. Results

#### 2.3.1. Inspections

AML's site was inspected on 12 August 2016, 28 February 2017 and 2 June 2017.

Inspections focused on the cleanliness of the site, the driveway collection sump, soakage pits, treatment ponds, sand filters and fuel storage.

During the routine inspections no significant issues were noted and the site was found to be compliant with consent conditions. However, the Inspection 2 June 2017 noted some action may be required to minimise silt entrainment. A sample taken during this inspection was found to be compliant.

#### 2.3.2. Results of discharge monitoring

Since 1996, the discharge from the concrete plant has been monitored at a manhole outside the plant, before it enters the stormwater drain along Hurlstone Drive. It is also monitored at a second point, together with contributions from the surrounding industrial area, at the point where the combined NPDC reticulated stormwater drain discharges into the Mangaone Stream (site STW001035).

Results for the 2016-2017 monitoring of the stormwater/wastewater, where it leaves the concrete plant at site STW002033 are presented in Table 3. A summary of all monitoring results from site STW002033 is also included for comparative purposes.

The results for the stormwater drain at the Mangaone Stream (site STW001035) are given in Section 10.1.1, whilst the results of the receiving water (i.e. for the purposes of monitoring compliance with consent conditions) are given in Section 16.1.2.

Table 3 Chemical monitoring results for AML's discharge-site STW002033

Parameter	Conductivity @ 20°C	Oil and Grease	рН	Suspended solids	Temperature	Turbidity
Unit	mS/m@20°C	g/m³	рН	g/m³	Deg.C	NTU
Minimum	6.4	0.5	8.2	2	8	0.68
Maximum	2740	38	12.8	1000	21.8	520
Median	152	0.2	11.9	86	14	73
Number	39	29	41	39	40	23
15 Nov 2016	141	<0.5	11.9	120	15.9	130
17 May 2017	170	b	12.1	100	14.1	90
02 Jun 2017		b	11.4	8	14.3	5.9
Consent limits	-	15	-	100	-	-

**Key**: Results shown in bold within a table indicates that a consent limit for a particular parameter has been exceeded b no visible hydrocarbon sheen and no odour

The sample taken on 15 November 2016 was found to be non compliant with the suspended solids limits imposed by consent 4539-2. The exceedance was slight as there was only a trickle discharge occurring. The consent holder was informed of this. Subsequent sampling showed improvement and compliance with consent conditions.

All pH results for the year, whilst elevated (as expected) were similar to the median value for the site.

Wet weather outfall and receiving water sampling continue to show no significant changes in pH levels being noted in the receiving waters. The consent condition limiting the effect the discharge is permitted to have on the receiving water pH was therefore complied with.

The oil and grease limit of 15 g/m<sup>3</sup> imposed by the AML's consent was complied with on all monitoring occasions.

#### 2.3.3. Investigations, interventions, and incidents

In the period under review, the Council was not required to undertake significant additional investigations and interventions, or record incidents, in association with AML's conditions in resource consents or provisions in Regional Plans.

#### 2.4. Discussion

#### 2.4.1. Evaluation of plant performance

At inspection the fuel and chemical storage at the AML Ltd site was well managed during the period under review.

In relation to the consented stormwater/wastewater discharge via the NPDC reticulated stormwater network, with exception of one minor non-compliance, the treatment systems appeared to be effective during this period.

A stormwater management plan and contingency plan is in place, however an update is due for the stormwater management plan.

<sup>\*</sup> sampled from sump- not discharging

#### 2.4.2. Environmental effects of exercise of consent

Alkaline discharges from this site have the potential to influence not only the pH of the NPDC stormwater discharge at the State Highway 3 bridge and downstream receiving water, but also the unionised ammonia concentration. Unionised ammonia is potentially in the receiving environment at relatively low concentrations (less than 0.025 g/m³) and the equilibrium that exists between ammoniacal nitrogen and unionised ammonia is affected by pH. In alkaline conditions the equilibrium is shifted towards the more toxic unionised ammonia.

Imposing a pH control limit on the receiving water as opposed to the discharge still appears to be an appropriate control mechanism. Monitoring results during the period under review continued to show that, whilst the pH of the discharge is quite alkaline, this 'effect' appears to be assimilated within the NPDC reticulated stormwater network and/or the receiving water.

#### 2.4.3. Evaluation of performance

A tabular summary of the AML's compliance record for the period under review is set out in Table 4.

Table 4 Summary of performance for AML's consent 4539-2

Pur	Purpose: To discharge of stormwater and treated concrete truck washings					
	Condition requirement	Means of monitoring during period under review	Compliance achieved?			
1.	Adoption of best practicable option to minimise effects	Observation and discussion at inspection	Yes			
2.	Limit on stormwater catchment area	Observation and discussion at inspection	Yes			
3.	Bunding of above ground hazardous substance storage	Observation at inspection	Yes			
4.	Discharge cannot cause specified general adverse effects beyond mixing zone	Sampling and discharge point inspections	Yes			
5.	Concentration limits upon potential contaminants in discharge	Chemical sampling	No – One minor exceedance			
6.	pH limits on receiving water as a result of discharge	Chemical sampling	Yes			
7.	Maintenance of and adherence to contingency plan	Review of documentation received	Yes			
8.	Preparation and maintenance of operation and management plan. Initially due January 2009	Review of documentation received	Update due, but not received			
9.	Written notification of changes	Observation and discussion at inspection found no changes requiring notification	N/A			
10.	Optional review provision re environmental effects	Next opportunity for review June 2014, unless Council notified of changes	N/A			

Purpose: To discharge of stormwater and treated concrete truck washings				
Condition requirement	Means of monitoring during period under review	Compliance achieved?		
Overall assessment of consent comp this consent Overall assessment of administrative	Good Good			

N/A = not applicable

During the period under review, AML Ltd demonstrated a good level of administrative performance and a good environmental performance and compliance, with their resource consent as defined in Section 1.1.5.

#### 2.4.4. Recommendation from the 2015-2016 Annual Report

In the 2015-2016 Annual Report, it was recommended:

1. THAT monitoring of discharges from AML Ltd in the 2016-2017 period continue at a similar level as that undertaken in the 2015-2016 period.

This recommendation was carried out in full.

#### 2.4.5. Alterations to monitoring programmes for 2017-2018

In designing and implementing the monitoring programmes for air/water discharges in the region, the Council has taken into account:

- the extent of information already made available through monitoring or other means to date;
- its relevance under the RMA;
- the Council's obligations to monitor consented activities and their effects under the RMA;
- the record of administrative and environmental performances of the consent holder; and
- reporting to the regional community.

The Council also takes into account the scope of assessments required at the time of renewal of permits, and the need to maintain a sound understanding of industrial processes within Taranaki exercising resource consents.

It is proposed that for 2017-2018, the programme remains similar to that undertaken in 2016-2017. A recommendation to this effect is attached to this report.

It should be noted that the proposed programme represents a reasonable and risk-based level of monitoring for the site(s) in question. The Council reserves the right to subsequently adjust the programme from that initially prepared, should the need arise if potential or actual non-compliance is determined at any time during 2017-2018.

#### 2.5. Recommendation

- 1. THAT in the first instance, monitoring of discharges from AML Ltd in the 2017-2018 period continue at a similar level as that undertaken in the 2016-2017 period.
- 2. THAT should there be issues with environmental or administrative performance in 2017-2018, monitoring may be adjusted to reflect any additional investigation or intervention as found necessary.

#### Downer EDI Works Ltd

#### 3.1. Process description

Downer EDI Works Ltd (Downer) operates an asphalt manufacturing plant at a site off Rifle Range Road. A depot for maintenance, parking and storage of equipment and materials used in road-making is also on the site.

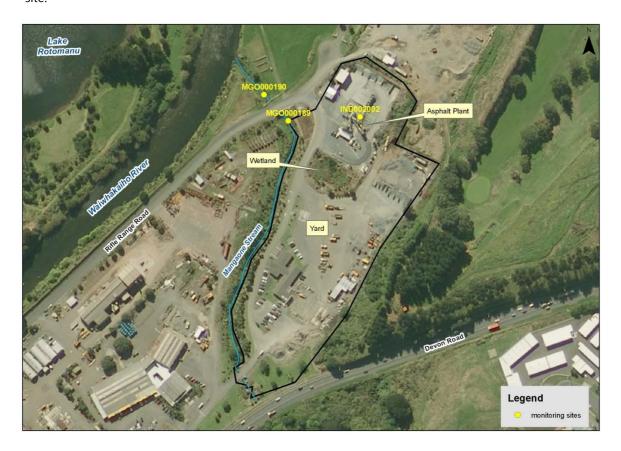


Figure 6 Downer's site and sampling point locations

In the manufacturing process, aggregate metal is dried by gas heating and is mixed with heated bitumen to form hot-mix bitumen. Diesel oil and/or kerosene may be added to adjust the consistency of the mix. The product is loaded onto trucks for transport. Dust and gases generated from the process are treated in a wet scrubber. Scrubber effluent is treated in four settling ponds then reused.

The asphalt plant stormwater catchment contains raw materials, comprising various grades of aggregate, static bitumen tanks, bunded emulsion tanks, and stores housing bitumen additives and plant maintenance materials, such as chain oil.

The depot includes an administration building, vehicle and equipment maintenance workshops, aggregate stores, and an area for parking motor vehicles and equipment.

Stormwater from this area drains via a three-stage oil separator to a small constructed wetland that also receives piped water from springs. Stormwater from the eastern side of the site which contain aggregate storage and the asphalt plant is treated by a three-stage interceptor and prior to discharge to the network. There is also a truck wash facility in the depot area, the drainage from which is currently diverted to sewer at all times by means of a locked diversion valve.

Drainage from the asphalt plant settling ponds (which have a baffled outlet to contain floatables) and the depot both discharge via the small wetland, to the Mangaone Stream immediately above the Rifle Range Road bridge.

# 3.2. Water discharge permit

Ownership of the asphalt drum manufacturing plant has changed several times, with Works Civil Construction previously taking over the site from Technic Industries Ltd in November 1997. Presently Downer holds consent 3917-3 to discharge treated stormwater from the plant onto land and into the Mangaone Stream. This was granted by the Council under Section 88 of the RMA on 20 June 2015. It is due to expire on 1 June 2032.

The consent contains all of the eight of the standardised special conditions as set out in Section 1.2.

The permit is attached to this report in Appendix I.

#### 3.3. Results

### 3.3.1. Inspections

During the period under review Downer's Rifle Range Road site was inspected on 16 August 2016 and 23 May 2017.

Site inspections focused on treatment systems, site housekeeping, visual quality of discharges, dust and odour, and the receiving waters.

During the period under review it was generally found that the site was well managed. It was also noted that treatment and mitigation measures at the site were being maintained and/or improved. However, the 25 May 2017 inspection was conducted after a routine sample was found to have a slight exceedance in suspended solids where it was noted that blocked sentinel sock was in need of attention and likely the cause of the non compliant sample.

No dust or odour issues were noted during the period under review.

### 3.3.2. Results of discharge monitoring

Chemical monitoring of discharges from the site of Downer EDI Works Ltd takes place at two points. The effluent to the wetland from the settling ponds at the asphalt plant is sampled at the ponds' outlet (site code IND002002). The combined flow of stormwater from the depot, which is treated in the oil separator and constructed wetland, and the pond effluent is sampled at the outlet to the Mangaone Stream (site MGO000189).

The discharge from the settling ponds is often highly turbid, however further "treatment" occurs in the constructed wetland. The discharge to the wetland is usually a grey colour, and contains a high concentration of fine suspended solids.

The results of chemical monitoring of the pond effluent and combined flows for the period under review are given in Table 5 and Table 6. A summary of all results for each site is also given in the tables.

Table 5 Chemical monitoring results for Downer's air scrubber settling ponds-site IND002002

Parameter	Conductivity	Oil and Grease	рН	Suspended solids	Temperature
Unit	mS/m@20°C	g/m³	рН	g/m³	Deg.C
Minimum	5.2	0.5	5.9	3	10.5
Maximum	89.5	29	9.6	600	37.4
Median	40.2	0.2	7.6	73	20.2
Number	32	27	32	32	31
15 Nov 2016	51.8	<0.5	7.9	42	19.1
17 May 2017	55.2	<0.5	7.6	36	23.0

Key: Results shown in bold within a table indicates that a consent limit for a particular parameter has been exceeded b parameter not determined, no visible hydrocarbon sheen and no odour

The suspended solids and oil/grease concentrations were found to be well below the median for the site. Conductivity, whilst above the median for the site on one occasion, but was below the maximum value recorded.

The pH result obtained for the samples collected during the period under review were acceptable, and similar to the median calculated from previous results.

Table 6 Chemical monitoring results for from Downer's final discharge-site MGO000189

Parameter	Conductivity	Oil and Grease	рН	Suspended solids	Temperature
Units	mS/m@20°C	g/m³	рН	g/m³	Deg.C
Minimum	6.2	0.5	6.5	0.5	10.6
Maximum	32.2	16	8.4	370	19.2
Median	19	0.2	6.8	18.5	15.5
Number	50	36	50	50	46
15 Nov 2016	С	С	С	С	С
17 May 2017	9.2	0.7	6.7	120	15.3
Consent Limits	-	-	6-9	100	-

**Key:** c stream backed up above discharge point- unable to sample.

During the period under review the pH and Oil and grease were in compliance with the consented limits. There was one minor non compliance in regards to suspended solids and this was followed up by way of a reinspection. A subsequent discharge sample taken in the next monitoring period was found to be compliant.

Receiving water results indicate no adverse effects were occurring in the Mangaone Stream during discharges (see section 16.1.2).

### 3.3.3. Investigations, interventions, and incidents

In the period under review, the Council was not required to undertake significant additional investigations and interventions, or record incidents, in association with conditions in resource consents or provisions in Regional Plans at Downer's Rifle Range Road site.

### 3.4. Discussion

# 3.4.1. Discussion of site performance

Housekeeping at the site was found to be good over the monitoring period.

The site was generally well managed during the period under review however there was minor non-compliance in regards to suspended solids, the cause of which was addressed. A subsequent discharge sample taken in next monitoring period was found to be compliant.

Stormwater management and contingency plans are up to date for this site.

### 3.4.2. Environmental effects of exercise of consent

No adverse effects were noted on the water quality in the Mangaone Stream as a result of the exercise of Downer's water permit.

### 3.4.3. Evaluation of performance

A tabular summary of the consent holder's compliance record for the period under review is set out in Table 7.

Table 7 Summary of performance for Downer's consent 3917-3

	Purpose: To discharge treated stormwater and minor amounts of treated air scrubber waste water from an asphalt manufacturing plant onto land and into the Mangaone Stream						
	Condition requirement	Means of monitoring during period under review	Compliance achieved?				
1.	Adopt best practice	Inspection	Yes				
2.	Limit on catchment size	Inspection	Yes				
3.	Limits on contaminants in discharge	Sampling	Minor non compliance				
4.	Discharge cannot cause specified adverse effects beyond mixing zone	Visual assessment at inspection and receiving water sampling and biomonitoring	Yes				
5.	Maintain and adhere to a stormwater management plan	Inspection and programme supervision	Yes				
6.	Maintain and adhere to a spill contingency plan	Inspection and programme supervision	Yes				
7.	Notify the Council of changes at site	No notification received	N/A				
8.	Provision for review of consent	No review option this period	N/A				
thi	erall assessment of consent comp s consent erall assessment of administrative	Good High					

During the period under review, Downer EDI Works Ltd demonstrated a good level of environmental and high level of administrative performance and compliance with their resource consent in relation to its site at Rifle Range Road, as defined in Section 1.1.5.

### 3.4.4. Recommendation from the 2015-2016 Annual Report

In the 2015-2016 Annual Report, it was recommended:

1. THAT monitoring of discharges from Downer EDI Works Ltd in the 2016-2017 period continue at a similar level as that undertaken in the 2015-2016 period.

This recommendation was implemented during the year under review.

### 3.4.5. Alterations to monitoring programmes for 2017-2018

In designing and implementing the monitoring programmes for air/water discharges in the region, the Council has taken into account:

- the extent of information already made available through monitoring or other means to date;
- its relevance under the RMA;
- the Council's obligations to monitor consented activities and their effects under the RMA;
- · the record of administrative and environmental performances of the consent holder; and
- reporting to the regional community.

The Council also takes into account the scope of assessments required at the time of renewal of permits, and the need to maintain a sound understanding of industrial processes within Taranaki exercising resource consents.

It is proposed that for 2017-2018, the programme remain similar to that undertaken in 2016-2017. A recommendation to this effect is attached to this report.

It should be noted that the proposed programme represents a reasonable and risk-based level of monitoring for the site(s) in question. The Council reserves the right to subsequently adjust the programme from that initially prepared, should the need arise if potential or actual non-compliance is determined at any time during 2017-2018.

### 3.5. Recommendation

- 1. THAT in the first instance, monitoring of discharges from Downer EDI Works Ltd in the 2017-2018 period continue at a similar level as that undertaken in the 2016-2017 period.
- 2. THAT should there be issues with environmental or administrative performance in 2017-2018, monitoring may be adjusted to reflect any additional investigation or intervention as found necessary.

# 4. Envirowaste Services Ltd

# 4.1. Process description

Envirowaste Services Ltd (Envirowaste) operates a material recovery facility (MRF) on Colson Road. The site receives and separates recyclable material sourced from district council kerbside collections and transfer stations for the entire Taranaki region.

Stormwater from the site discharges via retention ponds to the Puremu and Mangamiro Streams. Prior to discharge the stormwater is treated in long sediment ponds that discharge via grates to prevent litter being carried with it.

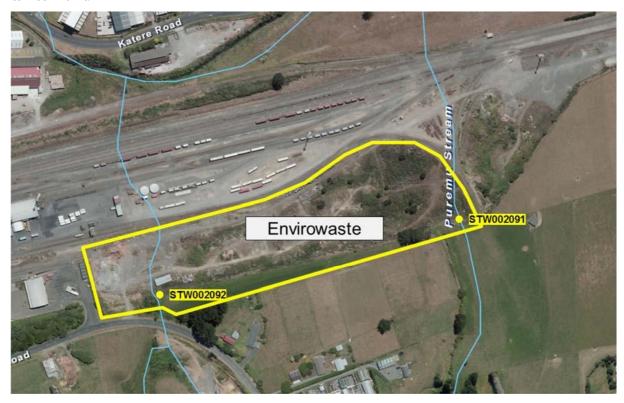


Figure 7 Envirowaste's site and sampling locations

# 4.2. Water discharge permit

Envirowaste holds consent 10109-1 to discharge stormwater from an industrial site into the Puremu Stream and an unnamed tributary of the Mangaone Stream.

This was granted by the Council under Section 88 of the RMA on 6 May 2015. It is due to expire on 1 June 2032.

It has nine of the standardised special conditions as set out in Section 1.2.

The permit is attached to this report in Appendix I.

### 4.3. Results

### 4.3.1. Inspections

During the period under review Envirowaste's site was inspected on two occasions on 12 August 2016 and 28 February 2017.

Site inspections focused on treatment systems, site housekeeping, visual quality of discharges, dust and odour, and the receiving waters.

The inspections raised the issue of litter at the site and noted that it was accumulating in the stormwater drains. This was discussed with the consent holder who now has litter control and retrieval measures in place.

### 4.3.2. Results of discharge monitoring

Chemical monitoring of discharges from the Envirowaste site takes place at two points. Stormwater discharging to the Puremu Stream is sampled at STW0002091 whilst stormwater discharging to the Mangamiro Stream is sampled at STW002092.

During the period under review, only one of the sites was found to be discharging during sampling visits. The results of the discharge sampling are given in Table 8 and Table 9.

Table 8 Chemical monitoring results for Envirowaste's stormwater to the Mangamiro Stream–site STW002092

Parameter	Ammoniacal nitrogen	Conductivity @ 20°C	Oil and Grease	рН	Suspended solids	Temp.	Un-ionised ammonia
Unit	g/m³ N	mS/m@20°C	g/m³	рН	g/m³	Deg.C	g/m³
Minimum	0.007	6.4	-	7.3	8	14.9	0.00008
Maximum	0.528	14.8	-	7.5	10	16.2	0.00391
Median	0.38	11.6	-	7.5	9	15.7	0.00378
Number	3	3	-	3	3	3	3
15 Nov 2016	0.007	11.6	b	7.5	9	15.7	0.00008
17 May 2017	0.528	6.4	b	7.3	8	16.2	0.00378
Consent limits	-	-	15	6-9	100	-	-

Key: b parameter not determined, no visible hydrocarbon sheen and no odour

Table 9 Chemical monitoring results for Envirowaste's stormwater to the Mangamiro Stream–site STW002091

Parameter	Ammoniacal nitrogen	Conductivity @20°C	Oil and Grease	рН	Suspended solids	Temp.	Un-ionised ammonia
Units	g/m³ N	mS/m	g/m³	рН	g/m³	Deg.C	g/m³
Minimum	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maximum	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Median	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Number	1	1	-	1	1	1	1
17 May 2017	0.669	4.6	0	7.0	9	15.3	0.00225
Consent limits	-	-	15	6-9	100	-	-

**Key:** b parameter not determined, no visible hydrocarbon sheen and no odour

All results were found to be compliant with consent conditions.

Receiving water results indicate no adverse effects were occurring in the Mangamiro Stream during discharges (see section 16.1.2).

### 4.3.3. Investigations, interventions, and incidents

In the period under review, the Council was not required to undertake significant additional investigations and interventions, or record incidents, in association with conditions in resource consents or provisions in Regional Plans at Envirowaste's Colson Road site.

### 4.4. Discussion

### 4.4.1. Discussion of site performance

Housekeeping at the site was found to be good over the monitoring period.

The site was well managed during the period under review and the discharge from the site complied with the conditions of consent. Some issues were noted in regard to litter control at the site, however this has been addressed by the consent holder.

Stormwater management and contingency plans are up to date for this site.

#### 4.4.2. Environmental effects of exercise of consent

No adverse effects were noted on the water quality in the Puremu, Mangamiro or Mangaone Streams as a result of the exercise of Envirowaste's water permit.

### 4.4.3. Evaluation of performance

A tabular summary of the consent holder's compliance record for the period under review is set out in Table 10.

Table 10 Summary of performance for Envirowaste's consent 10109-1

	Purpose: To discharge stormwater from an industrial site into the Puremu Stream and an unnamed tributary of the Mangaone Stream						
	Condition requirement	Means of monitoring during period under review	Compliance achieved?				
1.	Adopt best practice	Inspection	No- improved litter control required				
2.	Limit on catchment size	Inspection	Yes				
3.	Limits on contaminants in discharge	Sampling	Yes				
4.	Discharge cannot cause specified adverse effects beyond mixing zone	Visual assessment at inspection and receiving water sampling and biomonitoring	Yes				
5.	Maintain and adhere to a stormwater management plan	Plan provided April 2015	Yes				
6.	Maintain and adhere to a spill contingency plan	Plan provided April 2015	Yes				
7.	Notify the Council of changes at site	No notification received	N/A				
8.	Lapse condition	Consent exercised	N/A				

Purpose: To discharge stormwater from an industrial site into the Puremu Stream and an unnamed					
tributary of the Mangaone Stream					
Condition requirement	Means of monitoring during period under	Compliance			

	Condition requirement	review	achieved?			
9.	Provision for review of consent	N/A				
res	spect of this consent	oliance and environmental performance in	Good High			
UV	Overall assessment of administrative performance in respect of this consent					

During the period under review, Envirowaste Services Ltd demonstrated a good level of environmental and high level of administrative performance and compliance with their resource consent, as defined in Section 1.1.5.

### 4.4.4. Recommendation from the 2015-2016 Annual Report

1. THAT monitoring of discharges from Envirowaste Services Ltd in the 2016-2017 period continue at a similar level to that undertaken in the 2015-2016 period.

This recommendation was implemented in full.

### 4.4.5. Alterations to monitoring programmes for 2017-2018

In designing and implementing the monitoring programmes for air/water discharges in the region, the Council has taken into account:

- the extent of information already made available through monitoring or other means to date;
- its relevance under the RMA;
- the Council's obligations to monitor consented activities and their effects under the RMA;
- the record of administrative and environmental performances of the consent holder; and
- · reporting to the regional community.

The Council also takes into account the scope of assessments required at the time of renewal of permits, and the need to maintain a sound understanding of industrial processes within Taranaki exercising resource consents.

It is proposed that for 2017-2018, the programme remain similar to that undertaken in 2016-2017. A recommendation to this effect is attached to this report.

It should be noted that the proposed programme represents a reasonable and risk-based level of monitoring for the site(s) in question. The Council reserves the right to subsequently adjust the programme from that initially prepared, should the need arise if potential or actual non-compliance is determined at any time during 2017-2018.

### 4.5. Recommendation

- 1. THAT in the first instance, monitoring of discharges from Envirowaste Services Ltd in the 2017-2018 period continue at a similar level to that undertaken in the 2016-2017 period.
- 2. THAT should there be issues with environmental or administrative performance in 2017-2018, monitoring may be adjusted to reflect any additional investigation or intervention as found necessary.

# 5. Firth Industries Ltd (Division of Fletcher Concrete and Infrastructure Ltd)

# 5.1. Process description

Firth Industries Ltd (Firth) operates a concrete batching plant on a 1.19 ha site off Clemow Road, on the true left bank of the Waiwhakaiho River. The plant is situated partly on the flood plain and partly above the escarpment formed by the river. A concrete precast factory operated by Ultimate Engineered Concrete Ltd is also on the site. This includes a bedding plant, which operates from an area above the escarpment.

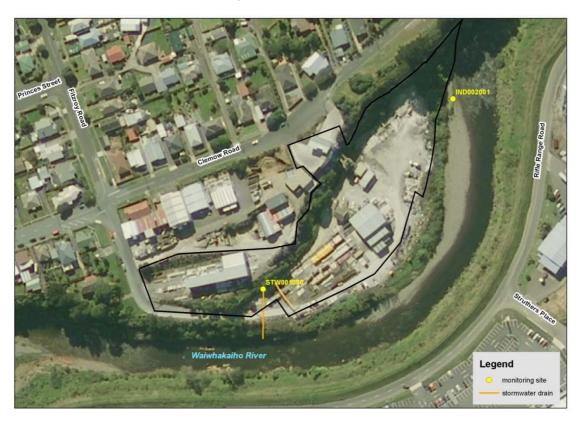


Figure 8 Firth Industries site location and discharge points

Stormwater from the lower part of the site is treated in a four-pond settling system before being pumped to the Waiwhakaiho River via an old watercourse. Wastewater from the washing of plant and concrete delivery trucks is discharged to the settling system. Where possible, this is then recycled for reuse as wash water. Seepage from the escarpment also flows to the settling ponds. Under heavy or prolonged rainfall conditions, the settled washings are discharged to the Waiwhakaiho River with stormwater. There is a backflow prevention valve on the discharge line to prevent the Waiwhakaiho River from flooding the site. This system is in the process of being upgraded and is due to be completed in January 2017.

Stormwater from the upper part of the site, where the bedding plant is situated, discharges via two small settling pits to the Waiwhakaiho River at a separate point.

A range of chemicals used in the ready-mix and precast operations are held in the catchment of the main settling system. On the whole, they are either stored indoors or within bunded areas.

Off-specification and surplus concrete, and solids from the settling ponds are deposited along the riverbank. This forms part of the flood protection works for the site. Excess solids are removed from the site periodically.

# 5.2. Water discharge permit

Firth holds consent 0392-4 to discharge stormwater and treated wastewater into the Waiwhakaiho River. It was granted on 21 July 2015 under Section 88 of the RMA. It is due to expire on 1 June 2032.

It contains the nine standardised special conditions as set out in section 1.2. It also has one additional condition requiring stormwater and wastewater separation by a certain date.

A copy of the permit is attached to this report in Appendix I.

### 5.3. Results

### 5.3.1. Inspections

Firth's site was inspected on four occasions during the period under review. Inspections focused on general housekeeping, treatment systems, dust and odour, and discharge and receiving waters quality (by visual assessment).

Inspections were undertaken on 3 August 2016, 5 December 2016, 28 February 2017 and 19 May 2017. No issues were raised during inspections and the site was clean and tidy. During inspections it was noted that the construction and installation of the new wastewater recycling system was completed during the monitoring period.

# 5.3.2. Results of discharge monitoring

Effluent from Firth's site is monitored where it enters the Waiwhakaiho River below the main settling system. This site receives wastewater from the settling pond from the bedding plant, located above the escarpment to the south west of the main plant, and stormwater runoff from the adjacent property (which is not owned by Firth, but is within the area covered by their resource consent).

Consent conditions require that the discharges do not exceed 15 g/m³ oil and grease or 100 g/m³ suspended solids. Consent conditions also require that discharges do not cause a pH of below 6.0 or above 9.0 and/or an in increase of pH of more that 0.5 in the Waiwhakaiho River.

The results for the stormwater drain at the Waiwhakaiho River (site IND002001) are given in Table 11. The results of the receiving water (i.e. for the purposes of monitoring compliance with consent conditions) are given in Section 16.

Table 11 Chemical monitoring results for Firth-site IND002001

Parameter	Conductivity	Oil And Grease	рН	Suspended solids	Temperature	Turbidity
Unit	mS/m@20°C	g/m³	рН	g/m³	Deg.C	NTU
Minimum	6.7	0.5	9.6	1	7.9	13
Maximum	321	2.2	12.3	610	25.7	420
Median	60	0.5	11.4	40.5	15.6	86
Number	73	46	73	72	71	24
03 Aug 2016	109	<0.5	11.8	79	11.8	67
19 May 2017	26.5	<0.5	10.0	16	14.5	14
Consent limit	-	15	-	100	-	-

All samples taken during the period under review had no visual hydrocarbons and complied with consent limits for oil and grease, pH and suspended solids. Receiving water results also show that at the time of sampling, that the pH in the Waiwhakaiho River, just beyond the mixing zone, was within the consented limits.

Samples were also taken of the discharge at the upper site on two occasions, the results of these are given in Table 12.

Table 12 Chemical monitoring results for Firth- site STW001080

Parameter	Conductivity @ 20°C	Oil And Grease	рН	Suspended solids	Temperature	Turbidity
Unit	mS/m	g/m³	рН	g/m³	Deg.C	NTU
Minimum	4.1	0.5	7.7	7	10.1	11
Maximum	55.4	81	10	560	20.7	66
Median	11.6	1.4	8.2	25	15.8	29
Number	28	20	28	27	28	21
03 Aug 2016	8.6	0.6	9.0	17	11.4	23
22 Jun 2017	9.7	b	8.0	34	11.6	40
Consent limit	-	15	-	100	-	-

**Key:** b parameter not determined, no visible hydrocarbon sheen and no odour

All samples from site STW001080 complied with consent conditions.

### 5.3.3. Investigations, interventions, and incidents

During the period under review, the Council was not required to undertake additional investigations and interventions, or record incidents, in association with conditions in resource consents or provisions in Regional Plans in regard to Firth's Clemow Road site.

#### 5.4. Discussion

### 5.4.1. Discussion of site performance

In terms of housekeeping practices, the Firth facilities were generally well managed during the period under review.

During the monitoring period all samples were compliant with consent conditions and works were undertaken to complete a new water recycling unit.

### 5.4.2. Environmental effects of exercise of consent

Imposing a pH control limit on the receiving water as opposed to the discharge still appears to be an appropriate control mechanism. Whilst the pH level of the discharges is quite alkaline, this was assimilated within the receiving water with little, if any, effect observed in the Waiwhakaiho River.

Historically, some white staining of the riverbed with calcium deposits has occurred for a distance of up to about 15 metres from the lower discharge point. However, this is within the 50-metre mixing zone and no adverse biological effects have been observed as a result. It is anticipated that with the improved treatment and wastewater diversion systems at the site, the pH of the discharges will drop, thus decreasing the

likelihood of calcium precipitating out of solution and creating such calcium deposits at the discharge point.

# 5.4.3. Evaluation of performance

A tabular summary of the consent holder's compliance record for the period under review is set out in Table 13.

Table 13 Summary of performance Firth's consent 0392-4

Purpose: To discharge stormwater and treated wastewater into the Waiwhakaiho River							
Cor	ndition requirement	Means of monitoring during period under review	Compliance achieved?				
1.	Adopt best practice	Inspection and programme supervision	Yes				
2.	Stormwater catchment not to exceed 1.618 Ha	Inspection	Yes				
3.	Stormwater treatment system to be used	Inspection	Yes				
4.	Limits on contaminants in discharge	Sampling	Yes				
5.	Discharge cannot cause specified adverse effects beyond mixing zone	Visual assessment at inspection and receiving water sampling and biomonitoring	Yes				
6.	Maintain and adhere to a contingency plan	Inspection and programme supervision	Yes				
7.	Maintain and adhere to a stormwater plan	Inspection and programme supervision	Yes				
8.	Undertake improvements as set out in the management plan by 22 February 2016	Inspection	Plant completed				
9.	Notify Council of any changes at the site	Inspection and liaison with consent holder	Yes				
10.	Review condition	No review option this period	N/A				
Ove resp	High High						

During the period under review, Firth Industries Ltd demonstrated a high level of environmental and administrative performance and compliance with their resource consent as defined in Section 1.1.5 in relation to its Clemow Road site.

### 5.4.4. Recommendation from the 2015-2016 Annual Report

In the 2015-2016 Annual Report, it was recommended:

1. THAT monitoring of discharges from Firth Industries Ltd in the 2016-2017 period continue at a similar level as that undertaken in the 2015-2016 period. This recommendation was implemented in full.

### 5.4.5. Alterations to monitoring programmes for 2017-2018

In designing and implementing the monitoring programmes for air/water discharges in the region, the Council has taken into account:

- the extent of information already made available through monitoring or other means to date;
- its relevance under the RMA;
- the Council's obligations to monitor consented activities and their effects under the RMA;
- the record of administrative and environmental performances of the consent holder; and
- · reporting to the regional community.

The Council also takes into account the scope of assessments required at the time of renewal of permits, and the need to maintain a sound understanding of industrial processes within Taranaki exercising resource consents.

It is proposed that for 2017-2018, the programme remain similar to that undertaken in the 2016-2017 period. A recommendation to this effect is attached to this report.

It should be noted that the proposed programme represents a reasonable and risk-based level of monitoring for the site(s) in question. The Council reserves the right to subsequently adjust the programme from that initially prepared, should the need arise if potential or actual non-compliance is determined at any time during 2017-2018.

#### 5.5. Recommendation

- 1. THAT in the first instance, monitoring of discharges from Firth Industries Ltd in the 2017-2018 period continue at a similar level as that undertaken in the 2016-2017 period.
- 2. THAT should there be issues with environmental or administrative performance in 2017-2018, monitoring may be adjusted to reflect any additional investigation or intervention as found necessary.

# 6. Fitzroy Engineering Group Ltd

# 6.1. Process description

Fitzroy Engineering Group Ltd (FEGL) operates an engineering business which involves the manufacturing of heavy engineering components and structures, and activities at the site also include abrasive blasting and painting.

The site was previously leased by FEGL from Technix Group Ltd (TGL), and the stormwater discharges from FEGL's activities were covered under consents held by TGL. In 2013 FEGL purchased the part of the property they operate on from Technix (Figure 9). After the purchase of the property resource consent 0021-3 was transferred from Technix to FEGL. Resource consent 0291-3 was split into two consents as the northern area covered by this consent was now owned by FEGL. The consent number assigned to this catchment area was consent number 9853.



Figure 9 Technix Group Ltd and Fitzroy Engineering Group Ltd subdivided site

The stormwater area for consent 0021 covers the south-west section of FEGL's property. The stormwater drainage system runs from the south and east boundary towards the east boundary, the drainage then runs north towards the Waiwhakaiho River and discharges into the river via a stormwater drain (STW002001, Figure 10). There are multiple sumps along this system to collect stormwater.

The buildings/land use within this area includes:

- Staff offices and facilities,
- Workshops (Machining, plate and general),
- Dangerous goods storage,
- Liquid oxygen tanks, and
- Blast and paint storage.

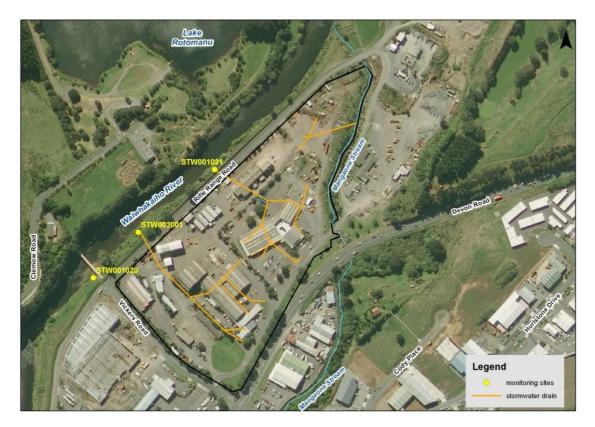


Figure 10 Fitzroy Engineering Group Ltd site and stormwater discharge points

The drainage system for the discharge covered by consent 9853 begins in the adjacent Technix property, continues north through FEGL's section, and discharges into the Waiwhakaiho River via a stormwater drain (STW001021). The system has a sump on the southern boundary and another attached to the blast and paint shop. A dangerous goods storage shed is also in this catchment area.

FEGL undertakes infrequent hydrotesting processes on large fabrications, and also operations involving the passivating of stainless steel. These activities produce wastewater that may contain contaminants such as penetrant dye and rust inhibitor, and also can be acidic. These activities sometimes occur outside. FEGL has advised that the wastewater from these processes will be bunded using tarpaulin sheets, and any drains will be blocked with sandbags. Once that activity is finished the waste will be removed by a waste management specialist.

FEGL has provided a stormwater management plan and spill contingency plan.

# 6.2. Water discharge permits

Discharge permit 0021 was granted on 1 May 1996 to discharge stormwater off a Vickers Road site into the Waiwhakaiho River. This permit was initially held by Technix but the renewed consent 0021-4, to discharge stormwater from an industrial site into the Waiwhakaiho River, was granted to FEGL under Section 88 of the RMA on 12 March 2015. It is due to expire on 1 June 2032.

Consent 9853 provides for the discharge of stormwater to the river opposite FEGL's blast and paint shop. This is a combined discharge point as the catchment includes FEGL's blast and paint operation, another building complex (which has been occupied by about five tenants, but from 1 January 2008 the only occupants were FEGL, Technix Group Ltd and Steelfab), a truck washing area, and a dangerous goods store. The discharges from this whole area were previously covered by a single consent held by Technix (0291). A partial transfer of this consent took place on 20 February 2014, with the catchment area now covered by

consent 9853-2 shown Figure 9 (area 1). Consent 9853-1 expired on 1 June 2014 and the consent continued to be exercised under Section 124 of the RMA until such time as the renewal was processed.

Discharge permit 9853-2, to discharge stormwater from an industrial site into the Waiwhakaiho River, was granted to FEGL under Section 88 of the RMA on 12 March 2015. It is due to expire on 1 June 2032.

Both the current consents (0021-4 and 9853-2) contain the standardised conditions two of which have been modified to prohibit the discharge of contaminants from hydrotesting and require the notification of any outdoor hydrotesting being undertaken.

The permits are attached to this report in Appendix I.

### 6.3. Results

### 6.3.1. Inspections

The site was inspected on four occasions during the monitoring period, on 30 June 2016, 10 August 2016, 15 September 2016 and 1 June 2017. The inspections focused on housekeeping, evidence of spills, the state of the onsite drains, and dust/odour.

Issues noted during the inspections were that discharge sampling from the site was returning non-compliant concentrations of suspended solids during routine sampling. Inspections found that the source of the suspended solids was likely to be the unpaved area on the west end of the site. The site visit of 15 September was also undertaken to follow up on the unconsented discharge of hydrotest water from the site noted during a sampling site maintenance visit (see incidents section 6.4).

# 6.3.2. Results of discharge monitoring

There are two routine sampling points for monitoring of stormwater discharges from FEGL site to the Waiwhakaiho River. These sampling points are opposite FEGL's plate shop (consent 0021, site STW002001), and opposite FEGL's blast and paint shop (consent 9853, site STW001021). The latter discharge point also contains stormwater, and potentially truck wash wastewater from the area covered by Technix's consent 0291. Results of sampling are given in Table 14 and Table 15.

Table 14 Chemical monitoring results for discharge opposite FEGL's plate shop-site STW002001

Parameter	Conductivity	Oil and Grease	рН	Suspended solids	Temperature	Turbidity
Unit	mS/m@ 20°C	g/m³	рН	g/m³	Deg.C	NTU
Minimum	2.7	0.5	7	5	10.3	5.6
Maximum	234	25	9.7	790	21.5	190
Median	7.6	1	7.4	50	15.7	64.5
Number	56	43	56	56	54	24
03 Aug 2016	4.7	<0.5	7.3	240	12.7	190
17 Aug 2016	14.4	0.6	7.8	34	15.5	73
22 Jun 2017	4.4	0.6	7.3	100	12.4	130
Consent limits	-	15	6-9	100	-	-

Key: Results shown in bold within a table indicates that a consent limit for a particular parameter has been exceeded

On one occasion the concentration of suspended solids did not comply with the limit set out in consent 0021-4 and as a result an incident was raised (see section 6.4). The values for pH, and oil and grease were all within the limits set in consent 0021-4.

Table 15 Chemical monitoring results for FEGL/Technix combined stormwater discharge-site STW001021

Parameter	Conductivity	Oil and Grease	рН	Suspended solids	Temperature	Turbidity
Unit	mS/m@20C	g/m³	рН	g/m³	Deg.C	NTU
Minimum	2.2	0.5	6	2	10.6	6.7
Maximum	24.4	35	7.7	530	23.4	200
Median	6.6	1.3	7.3	36	15.3	36
Number	46	34	46	46	43	23
15 Jul 2015	8.6	b	7.6	26	11.8	50
08 Jan 2016	7.8	b	7.0	100	20.4	100
Consent limits	-	15	6-9	100	-	-

**Key:** b parameter not determined, no visible hydrocarbon sheen and no odour

As discussed, this discharge contains stormwater from both the Technix and FEGL sites. Up until 20 February 2014, this combined discharge was covered solely by consent 0291 held by Technix. The discharge is now also covered by FEGL consent 9853-2.

The conditions on stormwater composition on consent 9853-2 for pH range, suspended solids and oil and grease were all complied with on each monitoring occasion.

# 6.4. Investigations, interventions, and incidents

In the period under review, the Council was required to record incidents, in association with FEGL's conditions in resource consents or provisions in Regional Plans.

#### 3 August 2016

During analysis of samples collected during routine monitoring (3 August 2016) it was found that the discharge from an abrasive blasting site was not operating within resource consent conditions in regards to suspended solid concentrations. A letter of explanation was received and accepted. Corrective actions have been undertaken onsite to ensure compliance with resource consent conditions

#### 17 August 2016

During an inspection of a stormwater discharge monitoring site (STW002001), it was found that there was a discoloured foamy discharge from the site. The consent holder was contacted and it was outlined that hydrotest was occurring on site at the time and this was the source of the discharge. This was not permitted by resource consents 0021-4 and 9583-2 (held for the site); or by regional plan rules. A letter requesting explanation was sent. Abatement Notice EAC-21276 was issued requiring the discharge to cease. Reinspection found that the abatement notice was being complied with at the time of inspection.

### 6.5. Discussion

# 6.5.1. Discussion of site performance

Issues at the site were noted during the year which included silt entrainment in stormwater discharges and the discharge of hydrotest water which was not permitted by resource consent and was in contravention of FEGLS's stormwater management plan.

### 6.5.2. Environmental effects of exercise of consents

Despite the issues noted above no effects were noted beyond the mixing zone in the receiving waters.

# 6.5.3. Evaluation of performance

A tabular summary of the consent holder's compliance record for the period under review is set out in Tables 16 and 17.

Table 16 Summary of performance for FEGL's consent 0021-4

Pur	rpose: To discharge stormwater f	rom an industrial site into the Waiwhakaiho River		
	Condition requirement	Means of monitoring during period under review	Compliance achieved?	
1.	Adopt best practicable option to prevent or minimise adverse effects	Inspections, liaison with consent holder	No	
2.	Catchment not to exceed 3.3 ha	Inspections	Yes	
3.	No discharge of contaminants from hydrotesting activities	Inspections	No	
4.	Notification of outdoor hydrotesting	Record of notifications	No	
5.	Limits on contaminants in discharge	Sampling	No	
6.	Discharge cannot cause specified adverse effects beyond mixing zone	Visual assessment at inspection, sampling and biomonitoring	Yes	
7.	Maintain and update a Contingency Plan	Review of documentation received. Latest version received May 2016	Yes	
8.	Site to operate in accordance with a Stormwater Management Plan	Review of documentation received. Latest version received January 2018	No- plan contravened by discharging hydrotest water	
9.	Notification prior to significant changes to processes or operations	Inspections and liaison with consent holder – no significant changes during period	N/A	
10.	Provision for review of consent	Next option for review in June 2020	N/A	
Overall assessment of consent compliance and environmental performance in respect of this consent  Overall assessment of administrative performance in respect of this consent  Improve				

Table 17 Summary of performance for FEGL's consent 9853-2

	Condition requirement	Means of monitoring during period under review	Compliance achieved?		
1.	Adopt best practicable option to prevent or minimise adverse effects	Inspections, liaison with consent holder	No		
2.	Catchment not to exceed 3.3 ha	Inspections	Yes		
3.	No discharge of contaminants from hydrotesting activities	Inspections	No		
4.	Notification of outdoor hydrotesting	Record of notifications	No		
5.	Limits on pH, suspended solids, oil and grease and chloride in discharge	Sampling	Yes		
6.	Discharge cannot cause specified adverse effects beyond mixing zone	Visual assessment at inspection and receiving water sampling and biomonitoring	Yes		
7.	Maintain and update a Contingency Plan	Review of documentation received. Latest version received May 2016	Yes		
8.	Site to operate in accordance with a Stormwater Management Plan	Review of documentation received. Latest version received January 2017	No- plan contravened by discharging hydrotest water		
9.	Notification prior to significant changes to processes or operations	Inspections and liaison with consent holder – no significant changes during period	Yes		
10.	Provision for review of consent	Next option for review in June 2020	N/A		
Overall assessment of consent compliance and environmental performance in respect of					
this consent  Overall assessment of administrative performance in respect of this consent  Improvement require					

#### N/A = not applicable

During the period under review, an improvement is required in Fitzroy Engineering Group Ltd's environmental performance and administrative performance and compliance with their resource consents as defined in Section 1.1.5 is required.

# 6.5.4. Recommendation from the 2015-2016 Annual Report

In the 2015-2016 Annual Report, it was recommended:

1. THAT monitoring of discharges from Fitzroy Engineering Group Ltd in the 2016-2017 period continue at a similar level as that undertaken in the 2015-2016 period.

This recommendation was implemented in full.

# 6.5.5. Alterations to monitoring programmes for 2017-2018

In designing and implementing the monitoring programmes for air/water discharges in the region, the Council has taken into account:

- the extent of information already made available through monitoring or other means to date;
- its relevance under the RMA;
- the Council's obligations to monitor consented activities and their effects under the RMA;
- the record of administrative and environmental performances of the consent holder; and
- reporting to the regional community.

The Council also takes into account the scope of assessments required at the time of renewal of permits, and the need to maintain a sound understanding of industrial processes within Taranaki exercising resource consents.

It is proposed that for 2017-2018, the programme remains similar to that undertaken in the 2016-2017 period. A recommendation to this effect is attached to this report.

It should be noted that the proposed programme represents a reasonable and risk-based level of monitoring for the site(s) in question. The Council reserves the right to subsequently adjust the programme from that initially prepared, should the need arise if potential or actual non-compliance is determined at any time during 2017-2018.

### 6.6. Recommendation

- 1. THAT in the first instance, monitoring of discharges from Fitzroy Engineering Group Ltd in the 2017-2018 period continue at a similar level as that undertaken in the 2016-2017 period.
- 2. THAT should there be issues with environmental or administrative performance in 2017-2018, monitoring may be adjusted to reflect any additional investigation or intervention as found necessary.

# 7. Freight and Bulk Transport Holdings Ltd

# 7.1. Process description

Freight and Bulk Transport Holdings Ltd (FBT) operate a truck depot that services the rural sector from a 1.77 ha site on Katere Road (Figure 11).

This site was previously monitored under the annual inspection round of truck washes, and was incorporated into the Lower Waiwhakaiho Catchment Monitoring Programme at the start of the 2009-2010 year.



Figure 11 Location of Freight and Bulk Transport Holdings site

FBT stores, blends and distributes dry stock feeds such as crushed meal, palm kernel and grains. Lime, fertiliser and gravel used for farm races are also stored at the site. The lime, stock feeds and fertilisers are stored in the sheds at the northern end of the site; only the gravel is stored outside in the stormwater catchment. Trucks are washed at the site and the wash water is directed to soak holes.

The majority of the stormwater from the site is collected by three stormwater sumps, which discharge to the Mangaone Stream via the mid Katere Road drain. However, stormwater from the catchment area around the truck wash drains to the truck wash sump and soak holes.

Some stormwater is retained on site, and is used in the truck wash.

# 7.2. Water discharge permit

FBT operates a transport depot on Katere Road, New Plymouth on the northern side of the Mangaone Stream. The site is used for the storage of stock feed and aggregate, and contains a truck wash facility. The consent (2041-2) to discharge from the site was granted on 1 May 1996, to provide for the discharge of up to 2.8 cubic metres per day of treated truck washdown water and stormwater onto and into land in the vicinity of the Mangaone Stream, for a period until 1 June 2014.

FBT now holds consent 2041-3 to discharge treated truck wash water and stormwater onto and into land. This was issued by the Council under Section 87(e) of the RMA on 5 June 2015 and it is due to expire on 1 June 2018.

Consent 2041-3 containing seven of the standardised special conditions set out Section 1.2.

FBT now holds consent 10008-1 to discharge stormwater onto and into land and into the Mangaone Stream. This consent was issued by the Council under Section 87(e) of the RMA on 5 June 2015 and it is due to expire on 1 June 2032.

Consent 10008-1 contains nine standard special conditions set out in Section 1.2.

Copies of all permits are attached to this report in Appendix I.

### 7.3. Results

### 7.3.1. Inspections

FBT's site was inspected on two occasions during the monitoring period. These were on11 August 2016 and 16 May 2017.

The inspections focused on the truck wash treatment system, product tracking, general, housekeeping, stormwater drains and the receiving waters.

During the period under review the site was found to be reasonably well managed. It was discussed with FBT that the sumps may need to be cleaned more regularly.

No dust or odour issues were noted during the monitoring period.

# 7.3.2. Results of discharge monitoring

The primary site for monitoring discharges from FBT's site is the stormwater drain located on the western most driveway (site STW001146). This was sampled on three occasions during the period under review. The results are given in Table 18.

Table 18 Chemical monitoring results for FBT's discharge-site STW001146

Parameter	Ammoniacal nitrogen	BODC	Conductivity @ 20°C	Dissolved reactive P	Oil and Grease	рН	Suspended solids	Temp.	Un-ionised ammonia
Unit	g/m³ N	g/m³	mS/m	g/m³ P	g/m³	рН	g/m³	Deg.C	g/m³
Minimum	0.015	7.3	8	0.348	0.7	7.3	64	10.6	0.00021
Maximum	3.81	38	22.5	1.13	0.7	7.6	410	15.8	0.02851
Median	0.234	15	17.1	0.742	0.7	7.5	110	14.8	0.00172
Number	4	4	5	4	1	5	5	5	4
15 Nov 2016	0.015	18	22.5	0.348	0.7	7.6	130	15.8	0.00021
17 May 2017	0.192	7.3	8.0	1.13	NA	7.4	78	15.6	0.00165

Parameter	Ammoniacal nitrogen	BODC	Conductivity @ 20°C	Dissolved reactive P	Oil and Grease	рН	Suspended solids	Temp.	Un-ionised ammonia
Unit	g/m³ N	g/m³	mS/m	g/m³ P	g/m³	рН	g/m³	Deg.C	g/m³
Consent limits	-	15	-	-	-	6-9	100	_	-

**Key:** Bold = non compliance

The sample taken on 15 November 2016 had carbonaceous biochemical oxygen demand (BODC) and suspended solids in exceedance of consented limits. This was discussed with the consent holder who undertook to have the sump cleaned out. Subsequent sampling was found to be compliant.

### 7.3.3. Investigations, interventions, and incidents

In the period under review, the Council was not required to record an incident in resource consents or provisions in Regional Plans in relation to this Katere Road site. One sample taken during the monitoring period was non compliant however this was dealt with by way of inspection notice.

### 7.4. Discussion

### 7.4.1. Discussion of site performance

There were issues in regard to the level of suspended solids and biochemical oxygen demand in the discharge, however the most recent sample was found to be compliant with consent conditions.

#### 7.4.2. Environmental effects of exercise of consent

No adverse effects were noted on the water quality in the Mangaone Stream as a result of FBT's activities as shown in the surface water monitoring section of this report (Section 16). Concentrations of filtered carbonaceous biochemical oxygen demand (BODCF) and unionised ammonia downstream of the site were found to be within guideline limits. No sewage fungus or other heterotrophic growths were noted in the stream during inspections.

### 7.4.3. Evaluation of performance

A tabular summary of the consent holder's compliance record for the period under review is set out in Table 19 and Table 20.

Table 19 Summary of performance for FBT's consent 2041-3

	Purpose: To discharge of treated truck wash wastewater and stormwater onto and into land in the vicinity of the Mangaone Stream								
	Condition requirement	Means of monitoring during period under review	Compliance achieved?						
1.	Adopt best practice	Inspection and programme supervision	Yes						
2.	Truck wash discharges to be treated	Inspection	Yes						
3.	Discharge cannot cause specified adverse effects beyond mixing zone	Visual assessment at inspection and receiving water sampling and biomonitoring	Yes						
4.	Maintain and adhere to a contingency plan	Inspection and programme supervision	Yes						

Purpose: To discharge of treated truck wash wastewater and stormwater onto and into land in the vicinity of the Mangaone Stream

	Condition requirement	Means of monitoring during period under review	Compliance achieved?				
5.	Maintain and adhere to a stormwater plan	Inspection and programme supervision	Yes				
6.	Notify the Council of changes at the site	Inspection and programme supervision	N/A				
7.	Review condition	No review needed	N/A				
of t	Overall assessment of consent compliance and environmental performance in respect of this consent  Overall assessment of administrative performance in respect of this consent						
v.	Overall assessment of autilitistrative performance in respect of this consent						

Table 20 Summary of performance for FBT's consent 10008-1

Pui	Purpose: To discharge stormwater onto and into land and into the Mangaone Stream						
	Condition requirement	Means of monitoring during period under review	Compliance achieved?				
1.	Adopt best practice	Inspection and programme supervision	Yes				
2.	Stormwater catchment not to exceed 1.77 Ha	Inspection	Yes				
3.	Limits on contaminants in discharge	Sampling	No				
4.	Discharge cannot cause specified adverse effects beyond mixing zone	Visual assessment at inspection and receiving water sampling and biomonitoring	Yes				
5.	Maintain and adhere to a contingency plan	Inspection and programme supervision	Yes				
6.	Maintain and adhere to a stormwater plan	Inspection and programme supervision	Yes				
7.	Notify the Council of changes at the site	Inspection and programme supervision	N/A				
8.	Lapse condition	Consent exercised	N/A				
9.	Review condition	No review option this period	N/A				
Ov of	Good						
Ov	Overall assessment of administrative performance in respect of this consent						

During the period under review, Freight and Bulk Transport Holdings Ltd demonstrated a high level of administrative performance and a good level of environmental performance and compliance with their resource consents as defined in Section 1.1.5. There were some issues in regards to elevated BODC and suspended solids in one discharge sample, however no effects were noted receiving waters as a result.

### 7.4.4. Recommendation from the 2015-2016 Annual Report

In the 2015-2016 Annual Report, it was recommended:

THAT the compliance monitoring programme for discharges from Freight and Bulk Transport
Holdings Ltd in the 2016-2017 continue at a similar level as that undertaken in the 2015-2016 period.
This recommendation was carried out in full.

### 7.4.5. Alterations to monitoring programmes for 2017-2018

In designing and implementing the monitoring programmes for air/water discharges in the region, the Council has taken into account:

- the extent of information already made available through monitoring or other means to date;
- its relevance under the RMA;
- the Council's obligations to monitor consented activities and their effects under the RMA;
- the record of administrative and environmental performances of the consent holder; and
- reporting to the regional community.

The Council also takes into account the scope of assessments required at the time of renewal of permits, and the need to maintain a sound understanding of industrial processes within Taranaki exercising resource consents

It is proposed that for 2017-2018 programme that monitoring of FBT's discharges remain at a similar level as the 2016-2017 period.

It should be noted that the proposed programme represents a reasonable and risk-based level of monitoring for the site(s) in question. The Council reserves the right to subsequently adjust the programme from that initially prepared, should the need arise if potential or actual non-compliance is determined at any time during 2017-2018.

#### 7.5. Recommendation

- 1. THAT in the firs t instance, the compliance monitoring programme for discharges from Freight and Bulk Transport Holdings Ltd in the 2017-2018 continue at a similar level as that undertaken in the 2016-2017 period.
- THAT should there be issues with environmental or administrative performance in 2017-2018, monitoring may be adjusted to reflect any additional investigation or intervention as found necessary.

# Katere Stores Ltd

# 8.1. Process description

Until recently the decommissioned New Plymouth Feed Mill site was occupied by Farmlands Co-operative Society Ltd (Farmlands). Farmlands had been in operation on this 1.03 ha site at the eastern end of Katere Road, New Plymouth from 1966 to 2011. Raw grain and supplements were processed into feed for central North Island divisions of PCL Industries Ltd and then Viterra (NZ) Ltd. The site is now occupied by its owner, Katere Stores Ltd (Katere Stores) and is used for feed truck storage.



Figure 12 Katere Stores site and sampling point location

# 8.2. Water discharge permit

During the period under review, Farmlands or Katere Stores Ltd held consent 4548 for activities relating to a stock feed mill at the eastern end of Katere Road. Consent 4548-2 was granted by the Council on 11 January 2002 under Section 88 of RMA, and it expires on 1 June 2020. The consent was transferred from Viterra (NZ) Ltd to Farmlands on 10 December 2013 and to Katere Stores Ltd on 18 November 2015.

This consent contains nine of the standard special conditions set out in Section 1.2.

A copy of the permit is attached in Appendix I.

#### 8.3. Results

### 8.3.1. Inspections

The site was inspected on two occasions on 11 August 2016 and 7 June 2017. The inspections focused on housekeeping, evidence of spills, the state of the onsite drains, and dust/odour.

During the period under review no issues were noted during the inspections and the site was found to be in compliance with consent conditions.

Dust and odour were not found to be an issue at the site.

### 8.3.2. Results of discharge monitoring

There was a discharge occurring from the site on both sampling occasions undertaken during the year under review. The results are presented in Table 21, along with a summary of all data from the sampling site (MGO00058).

Table 21 Chemical monitoring results for Katere Stores Ltd-site MGO000058

Parameter	Ammoniacal nitrogen	BOD	Conductivity	Dissolved reactive P	Oil and Grease	рН	Suspended solids	Temp	Turbidity
Unit	g/m³N	g/m³	mS/m@20C	g/m³ P	g/m³	рН	g/m³	Deg.C	NTU
Minimum	0.019	1.5	2.5	0.01	0.5	5.9	2	10.1	2.7
Maximum	11.4	690	50.3	0.637	13	7.4	530	20.5	96
Median	0.213	9.6	11.1	0.086	0.6	6.6	32	16	29
Number	46	44	49	27	38	49	47	48	21
15 Nov 2016	0.060	9.2	16.0	0.036	0.7	6.6	55	15.9	49
17 May 2017	0.052	8.2	3.4	0.029	<0.5	6.8	48	15.8	
Consent limit	-	25	-		15	-	100	-	-

Key: BOD biochemical oxygen demand

BOD is limited within the consent conditions primarily because of the potential for growth of sewage fungus in the Mangaone Stream, and to a lesser extent because of the potential for de-oxygenation of the stream as the oxygen demand of the contaminants is exerted in the receiving environment. Sewage fungus was not observed in the receiving water during the period under review.

The consent also requires that the discharge does not cause the filtered carbonaceous biochemical oxygen demand (BODCF) in the Mangaone Stream to exceed 2.0 g/m³, or unionised ammonia to exceed 0.025 g/m³. Monitoring of the stream showed that this was complied with during the period under review.

# 8.4. Investigations, interventions, and incidents

In the period under review, the Council was not required to undertake significant additional investigations and interventions, or record incidents, in association with Farmland's or Katere Stores Ltd conditions in resource consents or provisions in Regional Plans.

#### 8.5. Discussion

# 8.5.1. Discussion of site performance

Housekeeping at the site over the monitoring period was good.

Routine sampling of the stormwater found that consent limits on component concentrations were complied with during the period under review.

In the past, whilst the mill was operating, there had on occasion been a sufficient source of nutrients to cause the growth of sewage fungus in the tributary and later in the stormwater pipe from the site. During the period under review, no sewage fungus was noted as being present in the stormwater drains at the time of the sampling runs, or at inspection.

#### 8.5.2. Environmental effects of exercise of consent

Katere Store's consent requires that the discharge from the feedmill does not result in the unionised ammonia being increased above 0.025 g/m³ or the filtered carbonaceous BOD of the stream being raised above 2 g/m³. The stream is monitored upstream at Egmont Road (site MGO000050) and approximately 200 m downstream of the combined outfall for MGO000058 (at site MGO000075). Several other industrial sites as well NPDC's mid Katere Road drain also discharge between these two sites thus contributing to any longitudinal increase in contaminants. The results of the receiving environment monitoring (Mangaone Stream) are given in Section 16.1.2.

During all surveys, the unionised ammonia was well below 0.025 g/m³ at the time of sampling and there was only a small change between the upstream and downstream monitoring sites. The instream concentrations of BODCF downstream of the discharge were found be within acceptable limits and in compliance with consent conditions.

During the period under review there were no observations reported relating to sewage fungus in the stormwater pipe or the Mangaone Stream. The relevant biomonitoring reports are appended to this report and discussed in section 16.2.1.

# 8.5.3. Evaluation of performance

A tabular summary of the consent holder's compliance record for the period under review is set out in Table 22.

Table 22 Summary of performance for Katere Stores consent 4548-2

Pui	Purpose: To discharge treated stormwater and minor quantities of wastewater into the Mangaone Stream							
Co	ndition requirement	Means of monitoring during period under review	Compliance achieved?					
1.	Consent to be exercised as per application information	Inspections	Yes					
2.	Council to be informed prior to changes at site affecting discharge	Mill dismantled	Yes					
3.	Stormwater system to be maintained to Council's satisfaction	Inspection	Yes					
4.	Concentration limits on potential contaminants in discharge	Discharge sampling	Yes					
5.	Discharge cannot cause specified adverse effects beyond mixing zone	Visual assessment at inspection and receiving water sampling and biomonitoring	Yes					
6.	Limit on filtered carbonaceous BOD in stream	Receiving water sampling	Yes					

Pur	Purpose: To discharge treated stormwater and minor quantities of wastewater into the Mangaone Stream							
Cor	ndition requirement	Means of monitoring during period under review	Compliance achieved?					
7.	Limit on unionised ammonia in stream	Receiving water sampling	Yes					
8.	Prepare and maintain contingency plan	Review of documentation received	Yes					
9.	Prepare and maintain operation and management plan	Review of documentation received	No- plan not provided by original consent holder					
10.	Consent to be exercised in accordance with management plan	Inspection and discussion with consent holder	Yes					
11.	Provisions for review of management plan	No request for plan review during the 2016-2017 period	N/A					
12.	Provision for review of consent	No further opportunities for review	N/A					
res	erall assessment of consent complian pect of this consent erall assessment of administrative per	Good High						

#### N/A not applicable of not assessed

During the period under review, Katere Stores Ltd demonstrated a high level of environmental performance and good level of administrative performance and compliance with their resource consent in relation to its site on Katere Road as defined in Section 1.1.5.

### 8.5.4. Recommendation from the 2015-2016 Annual Report

In the 2015-2016 Annual Report, it was recommended:

1. THAT monitoring discharges from Katere Stores Ltd in the 2016-2017 period continue at a similar level as that undertaken in the 2015-2016 period.

This recommendation was implemented.

# 8.5.5. Alterations to monitoring programmes for 2017-2018

In designing and implementing the monitoring programmes for air/water discharges in the region, the Council has taken into account:

- the extent of information already made available through monitoring or other means to date;
- its relevance under the RMA;
- the Council's obligations to monitor consented activities and their effects under the RMA;
- the record of administrative and environmental performances of the consent holder; and
- reporting to the regional community.

The Council also takes into account the scope of assessments required at the time of renewal of permits, and the need to maintain a sound understanding of industrial processes within Taranaki exercising resource consents.

It is proposed that for 2017-2018 the programme remains similar to that undertaken in the 2016-2017 period. A recommendation to this effect is attached to this report.

It should be noted that the proposed programme represents a reasonable and risk-based level of monitoring for the site(s) in question. The Council reserves the right to subsequently adjust the programme from that initially prepared, should the need arise if potential or actual non-compliance is determined at any time during 2017-2018.

### 8.6. Recommendation

- 1. THAT in the first instance, monitoring discharges from Katere Stores Ltd in the 2017-2018 period continue at a similar level as that undertaken in the 2016-2017 period.
- 2. THAT should there be issues with environmental or administrative performance in 2017-2018, monitoring may be adjusted to reflect any additional investigation or intervention as found necessary.

# 9. Nankervis Family Trust

# 9.1. Process description

Activities at the site are undertaken by City Care. This Company operates out of the site owned by the Nankervis Family Trust (Nankervis), who hold the discharge consent for the site. City Care is an underground services company that carries out activities such as: reticulated drainage and sewage system maintenance, and minor earthworks.

The site is located in the Fitzroy industrial area, in the defined urban catchment of New Plymouth, approximately 380 metres from the closest water body, the Mangaone Stream.

Wash down water, from the truck wash bay discharges to a drain which is directed to an inceptor system. This then discharges into the NPDC's stormwater system (via discharge site IND002039) and then into the Mangaone Stream (via discharge site STW001035). It was stated at the time of the application that up to approximately 1.0 m<sup>3</sup> of wash water would be discharged per day.

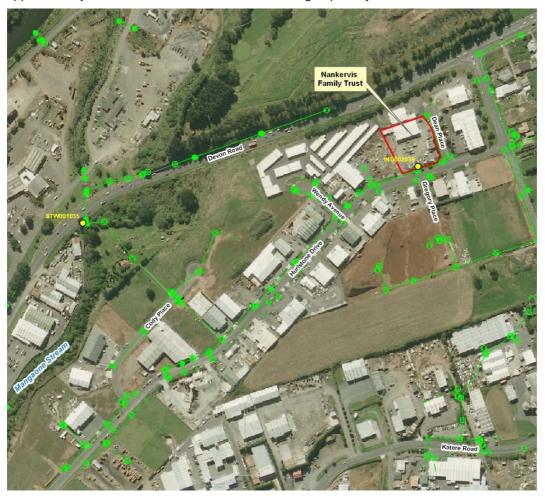


Figure 13 Nankervis Family Trust site location and discharge point

# 9.2. Water discharge permit

Although the site is operated and managed by City Care, the landowners, Nankervis obtained consent 6965-1 to cover the discharge of truck wash water via an interceptor system into the Mangaone Stream.

The permit was issued by the Council on 20 October 2006 under Section 87(e) of the RMA. It is due to expire on 1 June 2020.

This consent contains nine of the standard special conditions as set out in Section 1.2. It also contains one additional condition that requires the consent be exercised in accordance with information supplied with the application.

The permit is attached to this report in Appendix I.

#### 9.3. Results

### 9.3.1. Inspections

The Nankervis site was inspected on two occasions during the period under review. These were on 16 August 2016 and 23 May 2017. The inspections focused on general housekeeping, the maintenance of the treatment systems, and clarity and visual appearance of any discharges.

During the inspections no issues were noted and it was found that the interceptor was being cleaned and sweeping was occurring at the site to remove loose silt for the catchment areas.

### 9.3.2. Results of discharge monitoring

At the time of the consent application, the stormwater discharged from the site was considered to be a permitted activity, but due to the fact that stormwater from the site contributes to the NPDC discharge at the Devon Road Bridge (STW001035), it is visually inspected periodically during the wet weather sample runs, and sampled if considered necessary. During the monitoring period the truck wash was not discharging at the time of sampling and the results below are those of the stormwater discharge from the site.

Table 23 Chemical monitoring results for Nankervis Family Trust-site STW001152

Parameter	Conductivity @ 20°C	Oil and grease	рН	Suspended solids	Temperature	Turbidity
Unit	mS/m@20C	g/m³	рН	g/m³	Deg.C	NTU
Minimum	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maximum	-	-	-	-	-	-
Median	-	-	-	-	-	-
Number	2	1	2	2	2	2
15 Nov 2016	4.0	1.2	7.1	50	16.1	40
17 May 2017	1.7	b	7.8	160	15.2	100
RFWP Limit	-	15	6-9	100	-	-

**Key:** Results shown in bold within a table indicates that a RFWP limit for a particular parameter has been exceeded b no visible hydrocarbon sheen and no odour

The samples collected complied with the oil and grease limit (15 g/m³), and had a pH within the specified range (6-9) on all monitoring occasions. On 17 May 2017 it was found that the suspended solids concentration in the stormwater discharge at the time exceeded the Regional Freshwater Plan (RFWP) permitted activity limit.

The site operator was advised of the result and undertook to address the issue.

Subsequent sampling, taken in the next monitoring period found that the site was complying with RFWP limits.

# 9.3.3. Investigations, interventions, and incidents

In the period under review, the Council was required record incidents, in association with Nankervis conditions in resource consents or provisions in Regional Plans.

#### 22 May 2017

The analysis of samples (taken 17 May 2017) taken during routine monitoring, found that the discharge was not within RFWP limits at a site on Dean Place, New Plymouth. Follow up inspection found that works were already underway to address the sediment issue which included sweeping of the yard and cleaning of interceptors.

### 9.4. Discussion

### 9.4.1. Discussion of site performance

Inspections of the pad, treatment system and receiving drain indicated that the facility was well managed.

The suspended solids concentration in the stormwater was found to not comply with the RFWP concentration during one of the two sampling surveys.

The consent held for this site is for treated wastewater only, and the suspended solids concentration recorded on this occasion was noted to be in excess of the standards/terms/conditions of the permitted stormwater rule in the RFWP. Should these observations continue, and further or more significant breaches be found in future monitoring, Nankervis will be required to reduce the concentration of suspended solids in the discharge, or obtain a stormwater consent.

It is noted that the most recent result was compliant with RFWP limits.

#### 9.4.2. Environmental effects of exercise of consent

There were no adverse effects found during the period under review that were attributable to activities at the Nankervis site.

### 9.4.3. Evaluation of performance

A tabular summary of the consent holder's compliance record for the period under review is set out in Table 24.

Table 24 Summary of performance for Nankervis' consent 6965-1

Purpose: To discharge truck wash water via an interceptor into the Mangaone Stream				
	Condition requirement	Means of monitoring during period under review	Compliance achieved?	
1.	Adopt best practicable option to avoid, remedy or mitigate effects	Inspection and consultation with site operators	Yes	
2.	To be exercised in accordance with application information	Inspection and consultation with site operators	Yes	
3.	Stormwater contingency plan and wash water management plan to be submitted prior to exercising consent	Review of Council records. Updated contingency and stormwater management plans requested during the period under review	Yes	

Pur	Purpose: To discharge truck wash water via an interceptor into the Mangaone Stream				
	Condition requirement	Means of monitoring during period under review	Compliance achieved?		
4.	Discharge cannot cause specified adverse effects beyond mixing zone	Observation of river during sampling runs	Yes		
5.	No direct discharge of untreated wash water to Mangaone Stream	Inspection and observations during sampling runs	Yes		
6.	Limits on chemical composition of discharge	Observation during inspection and discharge sampling	Wash water not sampled this period		
7.	No degreasers to be used and no wash waters containing concrete products to be discharged	Inspection and consultation with site operators	Yes		
8.	No adverse effects permitted on surface water or groundwater	Inspection and observations during sampling runs. No groundwater sampling scheduled	Yes		
9.	Consent to lapse after 5 year period if not exercised	Consent has been exercised	N/A		
10.	Provision for review of consent	No review option this period	N/A		
Ove	Good High				

#### N/A = not applicable

During the period under review, the Nankervis Family Trust demonstrated a good level of environmental and high level of administrative performance and compliance with their resource consent and RFWP as defined in Section 1.1.5 in relation to its site on Dean Place.

### 9.4.4. Recommendation from the 2015-2016 Annual Report

In the 2015-2016 Annual Report, it was recommended:

1. THAT monitoring of discharges from Nankervis Family Trust in the 2016-2017 period continue at a similar level as that undertaken in the 2015-2016 period.

This recommendation was implemented in full.

# 9.4.5. Alterations to monitoring programmes for 2017-2018

In designing and implementing the monitoring programmes for air/water discharges in the region, the Council has taken into account:

- the extent of information already made available through monitoring or other means to date;
- its relevance under the RMA;
- the Council's obligations to monitor consented activities and their effects under the RMA;
- the record of administrative and environmental performances of the consent holder; and
- reporting to the regional community.

The Council also takes into account the scope of assessments required at the time of renewal of permits, and the need to maintain a sound understanding of industrial processes within Taranaki exercising resource consents.

It is proposed that for 2017-2018, the programme remains similar to that undertaken in the 2016-2017 period. A recommendation to this effect is attached to this report.

It should be noted that the proposed programme represents a reasonable and risk-based level of monitoring for the site(s) in question. The Council reserves the right to subsequently adjust the programme from that initially prepared, should the need arise if potential or actual non-compliance is determined at any time during 2017-2018.

### 9.5. Recommendation

- 1. THAT in the first instance, monitoring of discharges from Nankervis Family Trust in the 2017-2018 period continue at a similar level as that undertaken in the 2016-2017 period.
- 2. THAT should there be issues with environmental or administrative performance in 2017-2018, monitoring may be adjusted to reflect any additional investigation or intervention as found necessary.

# 10. New Plymouth District Council

# 10.1. Process description

New Plymouth District Council (NPDC) holds consents to discharge stormwater to the lower Waiwhakaiho River and Mangaone Stream, and to discharge landfill leachate to groundwater and the Waiwhakaiho River from an industrial development off Bewley Road. The catchment areas and discharge points associated with the stormwater consents are shown in Figure 14 and Figure 15. The results for the stormwater and leachate discharge monitoring are reported on separately.

NPDC holds two resource consents in relation to discharges to the Lower Waiwhakaiho River below State Highway 3, and one consent in relation to discharges to the Mangaone Stream.

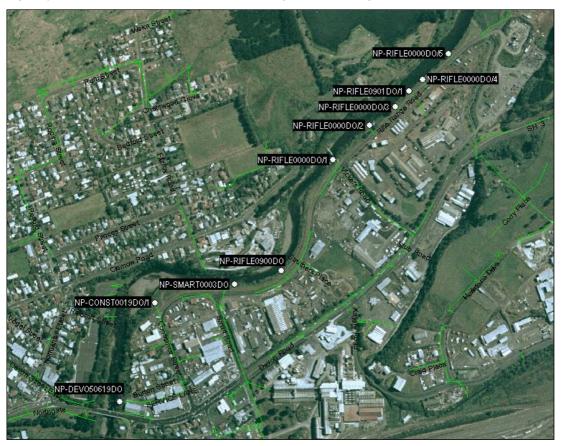


Figure 14 NPDC stormwater drainage and consented discharge points to the Waiwhakaiho River

### 10.1.1. Stormwater discharges

It has been acknowledged that NPDC has no direct control over the quality of discharges from sites in the catchment. However, road run-off and surface flooding due to poorly maintained drains may contribute to the contamination of stormwater entering the Waiwhakaiho River and Mangaone Stream.

All stormwater screen inlets and outlets in the system are inspected and cleaned regularly by NPDC to ensure that debris is not accumulated in any way that may affect the network capacity. Outfalls with flap gates are serviced every two months. These inspections are usually undertaken following a heavy rainfall event.

During periods of high rainfall, one of the key features of the performance of the stormwater drainage system is its susceptibility to inlet and outlet blockages. The NPDC maintenance plan aims to reduce

reactive maintenance and improve the operation and reliability of the system through preventative maintenance. This includes pipeline condition assessment using video inspection.



Figure 15 NPDC stormwater drainage and consented discharge points to the Mangaone Stream

## 10.1.2. Bewley Road closed landfill

The old Taranaki County Council (TCC) depot site was quarried at the end of its life, and was then infilled, becoming the Bewley Road Landfill. The former Bewley Road landfill extended for about 740 m along the Waiwhakaiho River bank between Constance Street and Vickers Road, and back to Devon Road. In 2006 the closed landfill area was developed and is now the site of the Valley Mega Centre retail outlet and car park. Leachate from the site discharges to groundwater which seeps into both the stormwater network, and the Waiwhakaiho River, along the river bank between Constance Street and Vickers Road. There is no treatment of the leachate generated from this closed landfill. Leachate is discharged continuously to the river at very low levels and low volumes.

# 10.2. Water discharge permits

#### Waiwhakaiho River

NPDC holds consent 5163-2. This was granted on 10 June 2008 to authorise the discharge of stormwater from the Waiwhakaiho industrial area into the Waiwhakaiho River via multiple outfalls between the State Highway 3 bridge and the confluence with the Mangaone Stream.

Conditions on the consent require the consent holder to adopt the best practicable option to prevent or minimise any adverse effects, address erosion, and prohibit some specific effects. There are provisions to

review the conditions of the consent in June 2010, June 2014, and June 2020. The consent is due to expire on 1 June 2026.

NPDC held consent 4984-1 to discharge leachate from the closed Bewley Road landfill to groundwater and the Waiwhakaiho River. It was granted by the Council on 23 August 1998 and expired on 1 June 2014. During the period under review the consent was being exercised under the protection of Section 124 of the RMA. Consent 4984-2 was granted on 16 March 2016 and is due to expire on 1 June 2032.

Consent 4984-2 has conditions that set limits for contaminant concentrations in the discharge, limit effects on receiving water, require the maintenance of monitoring bores, and provide for the review of the consent.

#### Katere Road industrial area

NPDC holds consent 1275-3. This consent was granted on 10 June 2008 to provide for the discharge of stormwater from the Katere and Waiwhakaiho industrial areas into the Mangaone Stream via multiple outfalls between Egmont Road and the confluence with the Waiwhakaiho River.

Conditions on the consent require the consent holder to adopt the best practicable option to prevent or minimise any adverse effects, address erosion, and prohibit some specific effects. There are provisions to review the conditions of the consent in June 2010, June 2014, and June 2020. The consent is due to expire on 1 June 2026.

Copies of all the permits are attached to this report in Appendix I.

## 10.3. Results

# 10.3.1. Stormwater discharges

#### 10.3.1.1. Inspections

NPDC's discharge sites were inspected on two occasions during the monitoring period, these were 3 August 2016 and 27 June 2017.

The inspections visually assessed discharge structures for evidence of staining from contaminants and the clarity of any discharges occurring. The receiving waters were also assessed.

During the inspections no issues were noted and discharges were found to be clear and not causing any visual effects on the receiving environment.

#### 10.3.1.2. Chemical monitoring

Chemical monitoring is carried out at six public stormwater drain outlets, three of which also discharge wastewater or stormwater from licensed industrial sites.

No contaminant concentration limits have been incorporated into the NPDC consents as it is acknowledged that, for the most part, the district council has no direct control over the quality of the discharges from the industrial and commercial sites. However, the quality of the discharges is still monitored as road run-off and surface flooding due to poorly maintained drains may contribute to the contamination of stormwater entering the receiving waters.

#### 10.3.1.3. Discharge to Waiwhakaiho River from Burton Street

The sampling site that monitors the discharge of stormwater from the Burton Street area as it enters the Waiwhakaiho River was introduced during the 1999-2000 monitoring period. The drain carries stormwater from a number of small commercial sites that are located along Burton Street. The discharge is monitored

to determine influences on water quality occurring upstream of other larger discharge sources (such as Firths or McLeod's Drain).

The results of routine chemical monitoring for the period under review are presented in Table 25.

Table 25 Chemical monitoring results for Burton Street stormwater-site STW001081

Parameter	Conductivity @ 20°C	Oil and grease	рН	Suspended solids	Temperature	Turbidity
Unit	mS/m@20C	g/m³	рН	g/m³	Deg.C	NTU
Minimum	1.2	0.5	6.9	2	10.4	1.9
Maximum	18.7	2.4	7.9	170	21.5	130
Median	5.6	1.2	7.2	12	16	13
Number	33	24	33	33	32	24
03 Aug 2016	4.0	<0.5	7.3	9	12.1	12
22 Jun 2017	6.1	0.8	7.2	11	11.9	35
RFWP Guideline	-	15	6-9	100	-	-

**Key:** b no visible hydrocarbon sheen and no odour

The pH, suspended solids and oil and grease concentrations were determined to be within the standards expected for the permitted activities within this stormwater catchment.

# 10.3.1.4. Discharge to Waiwhakaiho River from McLeod's drain

The discharge from McLeod's Drain enters the Waiwhakaiho River about 50 metres downstream of the lower end of Smart Road. The drain carries stormwater from the site of Ravensdown Fertiliser's depot on Devon Road (consent 3140), other industrial sites including Smart Road railyard (consent 3258), the residential area of Glen Avon, and a rural area to the south. The discharge is monitored to determine influences on water quality in addition to those of the fertiliser storage depot and railyard.

There is likely to be slightly elevated background phosphorus and ammonia concentrations, mainly due to dissolution of fertiliser particles carried by wind or water into storm drains at and around Ravensdown's fertiliser depot, or from spillages during cartage of the fertiliser to and from the site. Ravensdown have policies in place requiring that spills during cartage on site and on public roads are cleaned up by the drivers. The results of routine chemical monitoring for the period under review are presented in Table 26, together with a summary of previous results for comparison.

Table 26 Chemical monitoring results for NPDC McLeod's Drain discharge-site STW001001

Parameter	Ammoniacal nitrogen	Conductivity @ 20°C	DRP	Oil and Grease	рН	Suspended solids	Temp.	Un-ionised ammonia
Units	g/m³ N	mS/m	g/m³ P	g/m³	рН	g/m³	Deg.C	g/m³
Minimum	0.01	9.8	0.012	0.5	4	2	10.3	0.00002
Maximum	115	3450	82.6	9	10.2	420	34	6.38894
Median	3.425	30.4	0.7	0.7	7.2	24	16.7	0.02628
Number	44	84	53	50	89	72	78	39
03 Aug 2016	1.42	16.0	0.500	0.8	7.1	28	13.3	0.00519
22 Jun 2017	1.27	23.7	0.082	<0.5	7.2	3	12.5	0.00550
RFWP Guideline		-	-	15	6-9	100	-	-

**Key:** b no visible hydrocarbon sheen and no odour, DRP Dissolved reactive ammonia

The pH, unionised ammonia, and oil and grease concentrations were all determined to be well within the standards expected for a permitted activity and within the prescribed "standardised" limits for the consent holders contributing to this discharge. There was one suspended solid result which exceeded the 100 g/m<sup>3</sup> RFWP limit, however no effects were noted as a result of this.

## 10.3.1.5. Discharge to Waiwhakaiho River from Rifle Range Road and Struthers Place

This was an open drain/tributary that was piped when the Bewley Road area was developed and the Waiwhakaiho stopbank put in. Stormwater from the retail area between Struthers Place and Constance Street, the commercial area of Struthers Place, and part of Rifle Range Road is piped to the Waiwhakaiho via this discharge point.

Table 27 Wet weather chemical monitoring results for Struthers Place-site WKH000872

Parameter	Ammoniacal nitrogen	Conductivity @ 20°C	Oil and Grease	рН	Suspended solids	Temp.	Un-ionised ammonia
Unit	g/m³ N	mS/m	g/m³	рН	g/m³	Deg.C	g/m³
Minimum	0.008	2.5	0.5	4.6	2	12.2	0.00004
Maximum	29	230	70	8.8	2400	21.9	0.42552
Median	3.53	80.8	0.2	7.1	24	17.3	0.01779
Number	64	80	22	80	28	67	50
03 Aug 2016	3.45	17.8	<0.5	7.0	6	13.4	0.01009
22 Jun 2017	9.77	43.6	b	7.2	7	14.7	0.04980
RFWP Guideline	-	-	15		100	-	0.025
Consent Limit*	25	-	-	6.5-8.5	-	-	-

**Key:** Results bold table indicates that a consent limit or guideline for a particular parameter has been exceeded

b parameter not determined, no visible hydrocarbon sheen and no odour

<sup>\*</sup>Consent 4984-to discharge leachate from Bewley Road

The pH, suspended solids and oil and grease concentrations were determined to be similar to or below the median value for this site, and were well within the standards expected for the permitted activities within this stormwater catchment. The unionised ammonia level was elevated and exceeded the permitted activity level of 0.025 g/m<sup>3</sup>.

It should be noted that this discharge, when at lower rates of flow may be influenced by the ammonia discharges from the Bewley Road landfill, and this is covered by (and in compliance with) consent 4984.

## 10.3.1.6. Discharge to Waiwhakaiho River from Vickers Road

This catchment drains the area on both sides of Vickers Road along with a section of Devon Road, to the west of the Katere Road junction. The results for the period under review are given in Table 28 along with a summary of all results from the site.

Table 28 Chemical monitoring results for Vickers Road discharge-site STW001020

Parameter	Conductivity @ 20°C	Oil and Grease	рН	Suspended solids	Temperature	Turbidity
Unit	mS/m@20C	g/m³	рН	g/m³	Deg.C	NTU
Minimum	2.3	0.5	6.6	2	10.4	2.7
Maximum	68.1	549	9.3	510	29	160
Median	10.8	1.5	7.3	60	15.6	44
Number	56	49	57	55	59	25
03 Aug 2016	5.3	1.0	7.7	64	11.9	61
22 Jun 2017	3.6	1.0	7.4	64	11.7	54
RFWP Guideline	-	15	6-9	100	-	-

**Key:** b parameter not determined, no visible hydrocarbon sheen and no odour

Sampling showed that the pH, suspended solids and oil and grease concentrations were well within the standards expected for the permitted activities within this stormwater catchment on all monitoring occasions.

# 10.3.1.7. Discharge to Mangaone Stream from mid Katere Road

Stormwater from the mid section of Katere Road discharges into the Mangaone Stream, between the discharges from Katere Stores feedmill and Taranaki Sawmill's timber treatment plant site. The stormwater from Katere Road carries stormwater from a number of permitted activities on the northern side of Katere Road and from the Freight and Bulk Transport site.

Monitoring of this discharge commenced in 2007. The results for the period under review are presented in Table 29 along with a summary of all data from the site.

Table 29 Chemical monitoring results for stormwater drain from mid Katere Road to the Mangaone Stream-site STW001116

Parameter	Units	Min	Max	Med	N	15/11/17	17/5/17
Ammoniacal nitrogen	g/m³ N	0.05	3.16	0.304	20	0.083	0.074
BOD	g/m³	4.5	43	12	21	12	4.5
Conductivity	mS/m@20C	4.3	40.9	12.2	22	16.4	4.7
DRP	g/m³ P	0.048	2.95	0.46	20	0.167	0.390
Oil and Grease	g/m³	0.5	8.8	1.6	21	0.6	<0.5
рН	рН	7	8.5	7.6	22	7.7	7.4
Suspended solids	g/m³	29	280	125	22	100	29
Temperature	Deg.C	10.5	20.9	15.6	22	15.9	15.5
Turbidity	NTU	17	300	135	22	93	24
Un-ionised ammonia	g/m³	0.00057	0.04149	0.00794	20	0.00145	0.00063

**Key:** DRP Dissolved reactive phosphorus

BOD Biochemical oxygen demand

The consent held by NPDC for discharges into the Mangaone Stream has no conditions relating to the quality of the discharge.

The biochemical oxygen demand of this discharge exceeded the concentration given in the RFWP for Taranaki for permitted activities (Rule 23), on one of the monitoring occasions. However, instream levels of filtered carbonaceous biochemical oxygen demand (BODCF) in the Mangaone Stream were found to be well below the 2.0 g/m<sup>3</sup> RFWP guideline values.

The unionised ammonia concentrations were found to be in compliance with the 0.025 g/m<sup>3</sup> limit set in the RFWP.

#### 10.3.1.8. Discharge to Mangaone Stream from Hurlstone Drive

Stormwater from the industrial area along Hurlstone Drive discharges to the Mangaone Stream immediately upstream of the State Highway 3 bridges, stormwater and wastewater from the batching plant of AMC (consent 4539) and stormwater and wash water from Nankervis (consent 6965) contribute to this discharge.

The results of routine chemical monitoring for the period under review are presented in Table 30 with a summary of all results for comparison.

The consent does not contain conditions controlling the quality of the stormwater discharged from NPDC's stormwater system, however at the time of sampling the discharge complied with the pH, suspended solids and oil and grease standards expected for a permitted activity, and were within the prescribed limits for consent holders discharging via this outlet.

Table 30 Chemical monitoring results for stormwater drain from Hurlstone Drive to Mangaone Stream at SH3-site STW001035

Parameter	Ammoniacal nitrogen	Conductivity @ 20°C	Oil and grease	рН	Suspended solids	Temp.	Un-ionised ammonia
Unit	g/m³ N	mS/m@20C	g/m³	рН	g/m³	Deg.C	g/m³
Minimum	0.006	2.8	0.5	6.5	2	10	0.00001
Maximum	0.344	225	8.8	12.1	390	21.4	0.38935
Median	0.063	11.4	0.8	8.9	23	15.1	0.00386
Number	42	56	40	55	55	56	41
15 Jul 2015	0.085	4.5	b	7.4	23	13.0	0.00060
18 May 2016	0.022	20.0	2.4	7.4	21	15.5	0.00019
RFWP Guideline	-	-	15	6-9	100	-	0.025

**Key:** Results shown in bold within a table indicates that a guideline for a particular parameter (derived from Rule 23 of the Regional Freshwater Plan) has been exceeded

# 10.3.2. Bewley Road industrial development

An area between the right bank of the Waiwhakaiho River and Devon Road was once used as a rubbish dump. The reach of river adjacent to the old dump runs for about 740 metres, from a point between the Devon Road bridge and Constance Street downstream to a point near Vickers Road. The area has been substantially developed and now contains a retail park and a number of commercial operators.

# 10.3.3. Groundwater monitoring

There are three groundwater monitoring bores located around the periphery of the area, which NPDC is required by their consent to maintain for groundwater monitoring. There is a discharge monitoring point, at the outlet of the main drain which carries the groundwater to the river. The locations of the four sites are shown in Figure 4 as GND0548, GND0555, GND0556, and WKH000872. Stormwater from the retail area between Struthers Place and Constance Street, the commercial area of Struthers Place and part of Rifle Range Road and a small unnamed tributary that once discharged at this location are also piped to the Waiwhakaiho via this discharge point.

Groundwater monitoring bore #3 (the control bore, GND0556) is drilled into natural alluvial deposits beside Devon Road. This bore was affected by the raising of the ground surface around it by approximately 0.5 metres which may not affect the chemical results. The results for GND0556 are shown in Table 31.

Table 31 Chemical monitoring results for Bewley Road landfill control bore #3-site GND0556

Parameter	Unit	Min	Max	Med	N	23 Feb 2017	1 Jun 2017
Alkalinity Total	g/m³ CaCO3	18	224	161	48	137	125
Ammoniacal nitrogen	g/m³ N	0.084	9.59	1.08	49	8.49	9.59
Bicarbonate	g/m³ HCO3	111.02	273.28	193.98	42	167.1	152.5
Conductivity @ 20°C	mS/m@20C	9.1	174	99.7	51	174	164

b parameter not determined, no visible hydrocarbon sheen and no odour

Parameter	Unit	Min	Max	Med	N	23 Feb 2017	1 Jun 2017
Dissolved reactive phosphorus	g/m³ P	0.003	0.072	0.027	43	0.013	0.013
Filtered COD	g/m³	5	64	8	48	9	<5
Nitrite/nitrate nitrogen	g/m³ N	0.008	1.02	0.01	41	<0.01	<0.01
рН	рН	5.5	6.9	6.6	52	6.20	6.4
Potassium	g/m³	12	56.9	27.6	48	49.3	56.9
Sulphate	g/m³	20.6	581	330	47	568	479
Temperature	Deg.C	15.5	19.5	17.5	41	19.5	17.4
Un-ionised ammonia	g/m³	0.00009	0.0095	0.00175	41	0.00781	0.00950
Zinc Dissolved	g/m³	0.005	0.216	0.009	48	0.012	0.006

At bore #3, the levels recorded for each of the parameters analysed were similar to those values previously observed, although it is noted that the ammoniacal nitrogen, potassium and sulphate concentrations have been increasing since the 2004-2005 monitoring year. The exact cause of these increases are not known, however it is noted that the bores around the Ravensdown site (up gradient and to the west) are known to contain elevated levels of sulphate and ammoniacal nitrogen.

Groundwater bore #1 (the south bore, GND0548) is located near the corner of Struthers Place and Rifle Range Road. This is a replacement bore as the first bore sunk in this area was destroyed during stop-bank construction in 1997. The replacement bore was itself destroyed during landscaping in front of what was then the Hookers site, and a new bore was installed prior to the sampling survey undertaken in October 2002. These facts need to be considered when interpreting the results, and in particular the median values for parameters. The results for GND0548 are shown in Table 32 along with a summary of all monitoring data from the site.

Table 32 Chemical monitoring results for Bewley Road landfill down gradient monitoring bore #1-site GND0548

Parameter	Unit	Min	Max	Med	N	23 Feb 2017	1 Jun 2017	Consent limit
Alkalinity Total ( as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	g/m³	78	409	327	47	318	322	-
Ammoniacal nitrogen	g/m³ N	1.02	14.2	8.08	52	14.2	13.4	25
Bicarbonate	g/m³	95.16	498.98	402.6	41	388.0	392.8	-
Conductivity @ 20°C	mS/m	60.4	133	80	54	86.9	67.8	-
DRP	g/m³ P	0.003	0.238	0.006	46	0.005	0.003	0.065
Filtered COD	g/m³	11	50	29	47	43	41	-
Nitrite/nitrate nitrogen	g/m³ N	0.009	0.7	0.005	43	0.02	0.02	-
рН	рН	6.5	7.1	6.72	55	6.61	6.7	6.5-8.5
Potassium	g/m³	10.5	26.1	20.8	46	24.0	23.2	-
Sulphate	g/m³	1	430	7.1	44	<1.0	1.9	-
Temperature	Deg.C	15.9	20.1	17.7	45	18.6	17.4	-

Parameter	Unit	Min	Max	Med	N	23 Feb 2017	1 Jun 2017	Consent limit
Un-ionised ammonia	g/m³	0.00509	0.0339	0.01911	45	0.03066	0.02647	-
Zinc Dissolved	g/m³	0.005	0.165	0.006	46	0.007	<0.005	-

The groundwater complied with the consent limits for ammoniacal nitrogen, dissolved reactive phosphorus, and pH. It is noted however that the ammoniacal nitrogen concentration continues to rise for this site. A review of the data suggests a long term trend of increasing ammoniacal nitrogen at this bore, however an increase is also noted at the control bore GND00556.

Potassium was also found to be elevated for the site and this also reflects a slow increase in potassium concentrations at the site. However the upper limit on the range of potassium concentrations found is well within acceptable levels for WHO drinking water guidelines<sup>1</sup>.

Groundwater monitoring bore #2 (north bore, GND0555) is on Rifle Range Road between Struthers Place and Vickers Road. This bore was also affected by stop-bank construction in a previous review period and had to be re-drilled. During the 2001-2002 monitoring period it was found that this bore had collapsed internally and NPDC was requested to clear the bore or re-drill as necessary. The bore has subsequently been re-drilled (prior to the sampling run undertaken in June 2002) and a bore log was provided to the Council. During the 2007-2008 monitoring period the bore had again been destroyed by development activities in the area. NPDC replaced the bore at the request of the Council. The fact that this bore has been re-drilled a number of times needs to be considered in interpreting the results and in particular median values for parameters. The results for GND0555 are shown in Table 33 with a summary of all monitoring data from the site.

Table 33 Chemical monitoring results for Bewley Road landfill down gradient monitoring bore #2-site GND0555

Parameter	Unit	Min	Max	Med	N	23 Feb 2017	1 Jun 2017	Consent limit
Alkalinity Total ( as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	g/m³	36	630	262	41	206	198	-
Ammoniacal nitrogen	g/m³ N	0.132	14.8	6.2	41	6.38	7.03	25
Bicarbonate	g/m³	43.92	614.88	315.98	35	251.3	241.6	-
Conductivity @ 20°C	mS/m	31.1	106	56.4	43	49.6	41.1	-
DRP	g/m³ P	0.003	0.028	0.005	37	0.006	<0.003	0.065
Filtered COD	g/m³	8	75	28	41	32	28	-
<sup>2</sup> Nitrite/nitrate nitrogen	g/m³ N	0.01	2.02	0.02	33	0.02	0.02	-
рН	рН	5.6	7	6.6	44	6.52	6.6	6.5-8.5
Potassium	g/m³	2.8	18.7	10.6	41	7.1	6.8	-
Sulphate	g/m³	1	270	5.5	41	<1.0	<1	-
Temperature	Deg.C	16.1	21	18.65	32	20.3	17.3	-

<sup>1</sup> Potassium in Drinking-water Background document for development of WHO Guidelines for Drinking-Water Quality. World Health Organization 2009.

Parameter	Unit	Min	Max	Med	N	23 Feb 2017	1 Jun 2017	Consent limit
Un -ionised ammonia	g/m³	0.00002	0.0222	0.0125	32	0.00987	0.01095	-
Zinc Dissolved	g/m³	0.005	0.353	0.017	41	0.010	0.005	-

The consent limits for ammoniacal nitrogen, dissolved reactive phosphorus, and pH were complied with and all parameters were either similar to median of all results and/or were below the maximum with the exception of ammoniacal nitrogen and potassium. It noted that the rises in potassium and ammoniacal nitrogen are being noted at all bores, however the actual values being recorded either comply with consent conditions (for ammoniacal nitrogen) or are within the WHO guidelines (potassium).

Overall the leachate component concentrations in both downstream bores are relatively low in comparison to most municipal landfill leachates.

# 10.3.4. Surface water and discharge monitoring

The results for the associated discharge and receiving water sampling are shown in Table 34 and Table 35 respectively along with summaries of all data from the sites.

Table 34 Chemical monitoring results for Bewley Road landfill surface water discharge monitoring-site WKH000872

Parameter	Unit	Min	Max	Med	N	23 Feb 2017	1 Jun 2017	Consent limit
Alkalinity Total ( as CaCO <sub>3</sub> )	g/m³	27	251	169	52	227	222	-
Ammoniacal nitrogen	g/m³ N	0.008	29	3.53	64	22.1	26.0	25
Conductivity @ 20°C	mS/m	2.5	230	80.8	80	84.5	86.0	-
DRP	g/m³ P	0.003	3.14	0.005	44	<0.003	0.005	0.065
рН	рН	4.6	8.8	7.1	80	7.3	7.5	6.5-8.5
Potassium	g/m³	2.4	43	27.1	47	23.1	22.9	-
Sulphate	g/m³	78	880	180	48	125	159	-
Temperature	Deg.C	12.2	21.9	17.3	67	-	-	-
Turbidity	NTU	11	300	22	25	121	114	
Un-ionised ammonia	g/m³	0.00004	0.42552	0.01779	50	-	-	-
Zinc Dissolved	g/m³	0.005	0.345	0.015	50	0.007	0.007	-

Key: Results shown in bold within a table indicates that a consent limit for a particular parameter is exceeded

The level of ammoniacal nitrogen found in the discharge was found to exceed the consent limit of 25 g/m<sup>3</sup>. No effects were noted in the stream and the subsequent results from sampling undertaken in later in the monitoring period showed a marked reduction in ammoniacal nitrogen levels.).

To assist in the interpretation of 'effects' of the discharge, the biannual groundwater sampling runs were carried out at times of low river flow and the three river sites above (WKH000920), alongside (WKH000925), and below (WKH000942) the dump site were also sampled. The results of this monitoring are given in Table 35.

Table 35 Results for Bewley Road landfill, dry weather receiving water chemical monitoring

			Waiwhakaiho		
Parameter		Constance Street (WKH000920)	Opposite Firth's (Ford) (WKH000925)	Above Mangaone Confluence (WKH000942)	
23 Feb 2017					
Time	NZST	09:15	09:40	09:55	
Conductivity @20°C	mS/m	12.2	12.3	12.4	
DRP	g/m³ P	0.013	0.003	0.004	
Unionised ammonia	g/m³	0.00013	0.00006	0.00060	
Ammoniacal N	g/m³ N	0.004	<0.003	0.015	
рН	рН	7.94	8.0	8.0	
Temperature	Deg.C	17.9	18.0	18.1	
Turbidity	NTU	1.3	0.98	1.2	
1 Jun 2017	7				
Time	NZST	10:25	10:45	11:08	
Conductivity 20°C	mS/m	10.1	10.1	10.2	
DRP	g/m³ P	0.017	0.018	0.019	
Unionised ammonia	g/m³	0.00002	0.00022	-	
Ammoniacal N	g/m³ N	<0.003	0.018	<0.003	
рН	рН	7.8	7.7	7.8	
Temperature	Deg.C	11.2	11.2	-	
Turbidity	NTU	0.33	0.36	1.2	

The analyses showed during the low flow survey undertaken in the period under review, ammoniacal nitrogen increased between WKH000920 and WKH000925, then decreased slightly at WKH000942. Due to the extremely low levels found, there would have been little, if any environmental effect associated with these changes.

# 10.3.5. Investigations, interventions, and incidents

In the period under review it was not necessary for the Council to undertake significant additional investigations and interventions, or record incidents, in association with NPDC's conditions in resource consents or provisions in Regional Plans that are monitored under this programme.

# 10.4. Discussion

## 10.4.1. Environmental effects of exercise of consents

During the period under review no significant adverse effects were observed in the receiving environment as a result of the exercise of NPDC's stormwater or leachate consents.

No issues were noted associated with the maintenance of the reticulated stormwater systems or outlet structures on either the Waiwhakaiho River or the Mangaone Stream.

The wet weather survey found no significant effects downstream of the discharges in the Waiwhakaiho River.

Elevated BOD, unionised ammonia and suspended solids were observed in discharge samples collected from the mid Katere Road drain. No significant adverse effects were noted in the Mangaone Stream at the time of sampling. The on-going discharge quality matters associated with these findings are being addressed with FBT who discharge via this outlet.

With the exception of two minor exceedances for ammoniacal nitrogen, groundwater and discharge samples obtained from the Bewley Road landfill during the period under review were in compliance with consent 4984. The non compliant result did not result in elevations of ammonia in the receiving water and subsequent discharge and groundwater samples were found to be compliant.

Overall, with the exception of bicarbonate, the leachate component concentrations reported were relatively low in comparison to most municipal landfill leachates. There continues to be fluctuations in parameters analysed but this is generally consistent with the flushing effects of rainfall. It is noted that the ammoniacal nitrogen and potassium concentrations in the samples collected from bore 3, the control bore up gradient of the dump area, and bore 1, the south bore on the corner of Struthers Place and Rifle Range Road continue their upward trend. However, the concentrations are not so high as to be of immediate concern, and little, if any effect was observed in the receiving water. Council will continue to monitor any changes.

# 10.4.2. Evaluation of performance

A tabular summary of the consent holder's compliance record for the period under review is set out in |Table 36, Table 37 and Table 38.

Table 36 Summary of performance for NPDC's consent 1275-3

Pui	Purpose: To discharge stormwater from the Katere Industrial area into the Mangaone Stream				
	Condition requirement	Means of monitoring during period under review	Compliance achieved?		
1.	Adoption of best practicable option to minimise adverse effects	Inspection and receiving water monitoring	Yes		
2.	Prevention of erosion	Visual assessment at inspection and receiving water sampling	Yes		
3.	Discharge can not cause specified adverse effects in Mangaone Stream	Inspection and receiving water monitoring	Yes		
4.	Optional review provision re environmental effects	Next opportunity to review in June 2020	N/A		
Ov of t	High				
Ov	erall assessment of administrative	e performance in respect of this consent	High		

N/A = not applicable

Table 37 Summary of performance for NPDC's consent 5163-2

	Condition requirement	Means of monitoring during period under review	Compliance achieved?
1.	Adoption of best practicable option to minimise adverse effects	Inspection and receiving water monitoring	Yes
2.	Prevention of erosion	Visual assessment at inspection and receiving water sampling	Yes
3.	Discharge can not cause specified adverse effects in Mangaone Stream	Inspection and receiving water monitoring	Yes
4.	Optional review provision re environmental effects	Next opportunity to review in June 2020	N/A
Ov res	High High		

N/A = not applicable

Table 38 Summary of performance for NPDC's consent 4984-2

Purpose: To discharge leachate from a former landfill site into groundwater, adjacent to the Waiwhakaiho River					
	Condition requirement	Means of monitoring during period under review	Compliance achieved?		
1.	Limits on chemical composition of discharge	Inspection and sampling of discharge	One minor non compliance		
2.	Discharge cannot cause specified adverse effects beyond mixing zone	Visual assessment at inspection and receiving water sampling	Yes		
3.	Maintenance of monitoring bores	Inspection and accessibility at sampling	Yes		
4.	Optional review provision re environmental effects	Next opportunity for review June 2020	N/A		
Ove	Good				
Ove	erall assessment of administrative	performance in respect of this consent	High		

During the period under review, New Plymouth District Council demonstrated a good level of environmental performance and high level of administrative performance and compliance with its resource consents as defined in Section 1.1.5.

# 10.4.3. Recommendation from the 2015-2016 Annual Report

In the 2015-2016 Annual Report, it was recommended:

1. THAT monitoring of discharges from New Plymouth District Council in the 2016-2017 period continues at similar a level to that undertaken in the 2015-2016 period.

This recommendation was carried out in full.

# 10.4.4. Alterations to monitoring programmes for 2017-2018

In designing and implementing the monitoring programmes for air/water discharges in the region, the Council has taken into account:

- the extent of information already made available through monitoring or other means to date;
- its relevance under the RMA;
- the Council's obligations to monitor consented activities and their effects under the RMA;
- · the record of administrative and environmental performances of the consent holder; and
- reporting to the regional community.

The Council also takes into account the scope of assessments required at the time of renewal of permits, and the need to maintain a sound understanding of industrial processes within Taranaki exercising resource consents.

It is proposed that for 2017-2018, the programme remain similar to that undertaken in the 2016-2017 period. A recommendation to this effect is attached to this report.

It should be noted that the proposed programme represents a reasonable and risk-based level of monitoring for the site(s) in question. The Council reserves the right to subsequently adjust the programme from that initially prepared, should the need arise if potential or actual non-compliance is determined at any time during 2017-2018.

### 10.5. Recommendation

- 1. THAT in the first instance, monitoring of discharges from New Plymouth District Council in the 2017-2018 period continues at similar a level to that undertaken in the 2016-2017 period.
- THAT should there be issues with environmental or administrative performance in 2017-2018, monitoring may be adjusted to reflect any additional investigation or intervention as found necessary.

# 11. New Zealand Railways Corporation/Kiwi Rail

# 11.1. Process description

New Zealand Railways Corporation/KiwiRail (KiwiRail) owns a rail terminal on a site off Smart Road. In addition to transportation of freight, the terminal is utilised as a maintenance depot. The freight receipt and dispatch area and the refuelling and maintenance depots are situated at the Smart Road end of the site.



Figure 16 New Zealand Railways Corporation's rail yard and sampling point locations

Drainage from the area to the west and north of the offices (i.e. the refuelling area and maintenance area) flows to the Waiwhakaiho River via McLeod's Drain, an underground pipe that also receives stormwater from Ravensdown's fertiliser depot, other industrial sites, a residential area, and a rural area. Wastewater from washing of wagons, containers and locomotives is treated in a three-stage oil separator before discharge to the river. Liquids from the repair depot and locomotive fuelling point are discharged to an underground holding tank that is emptied by a waste disposal company at two-monthly intervals. The holding tank is also connected to the oil separator via an automatic pump in case of overfilling.

Drainage from the (sealed) freight area and the unsealed areas of the eastern end of the site is to the Mangaone Stream and its tributaries. The consent for this area of the site remained under the name of Tranz Rail Ltd until March 2008.

Railway wagons carrying containers of hazardous substances and bulk products including urea, resins, fertilisers, di-ammonium phosphate (DAP), lime, oils, bitumen and carbon dioxide are held temporarily on the tracks in this area. No loading or unloading of freight takes place in the stormwater catchment that drains to the Mangaone Stream.

# 11.2. Water discharge permits

KiwiRail and NZRC holds two consents for the Smart Road railway yard. One consent relates to the discharge of treated wastewater and stormwater to the Waiwhakaiho River, and the other to the discharge of stormwater to the Mangaone Stream. Both consents were previously held by Tranz Rail Ltd.

NZRC held consent **3528** to discharge up to 13 cubic metres/day of stormwater, including treated wastewater from washing and maintenance of wagons, containers and locomotives, into the Waiwhakaiho River. It was granted on 24 July 1996.

The 'standardised' conditions are imposed, with additional conditions that place limits on maximum concentrations on ammonia and dissolved phosphorus (both 20 g/m³), and restrict the type of cleaning operations. The consent is the second issued for the discharge since 1990. This consent expired on 1 June 2014 and was exercised under Section 124 of the RMA until 31 March 2017.

KiwiRail Holdings Limited (KiwiRail) - (formerly NZRC) now holds consent 3528-3 to discharge stormwater into the Waiwhakaiho River. This consent was granted on 31 March 2017 under Section 88 of the RMA. It expires on 1 June 2026.

Consent 3528-3 contains the standardised conditions as set out in Section 1.2. as well limits of 3 g/m<sup>3</sup> ammoniacal nitrogen and 1 g/m<sup>3</sup> dissolved reactive phosphorus.

KiwiRail (as NZRC) holds consent 1735-3 to discharge stormwater from the Smart Road Rail Terminal into an unnamed tributary of the Mangaone Stream, and into the Mangaone Stream in the Waiwhakaiho catchment. It was granted on 31 July 2009 and will expire on 1 June 2026.

This consent contains the standardised special conditions as set out in Section 1.2

Copies of all permits are attached to this report in Appendix I.

#### 11.3. Results

## 11.3.1. Inspections

The site was inspected on three occasions during the period under review. These were on 12 August 2016, 3 March 2017 and 7 June 2017.

The inspections focused on treatment systems, evidence of any spills or leaks, the condition of the drains, and the condition of the diesel containment bund.

The inspections found that overall the site was found to be in good order and free of spills and other sources of contamination. On two occasions it was noted that the interceptor was due for cleaning/maintenance. Also noted in the inspection of 7 June 2017 was that the outlet tap to the diesel containment bund was broken and needed repair.

## 11.3.2. Chemical analysis

# 11.3.2.1. Results of discharge monitoring

The discharge of stormwater from the freight and fuel handling and storage areas is monitored where the stormwater enters the Smart Road stormwater drain, south of the railway overbridge (site code IND002014). The results for period under review are given in Table 39 along with a summary of all results from the site for comparison. A new site (site code STW001117) had been established during the 2006-2007 year for sampling of the site discharge from the eastern end of the site into the Mangaone Stream, via the Mangamiro Stream. As the discharge sampled was only one of approximately eight NZRC discharges that enter the Mangamiro Stream (which is culverted for the entire stretch flowing under their site) it was

subsequently decided that this was not truly representative of the overall quality of the NZRC discharges to this receiving water, which exits the culvert immediately upstream of its confluence with the Mangaone Stream. From the start of the 2010-2012 period, a different approach was taken at the NZRC site, with any change in the stream being attributable to the consent holder. The result of this monitoring are reported in 11.3.2.2.

Table 39 Monitoring results for Smart Road rail yard stormwater discharge-site IN002014

Parameter	Ammoniacal nitrogen	BOD	Conductivity	Dissolved reactive phosphorus	Oil and grease	рН	Suspended solids	Temp.
Unit	g/m³ N	g/m³	mS/m@20C	g/m³ P	g/m³	рН	g/m³	Deg.C
Minimum	0.004	0.5	2.3	0.021	0.5	5.7	2	10.3
Maximum	12	37	62	3.24	22.7	8.4	160	20.8
Median	0.176	3.7	15.6	0.182	0.8	7.2	16	15.5
Number	49	44	55	45	46	55	53	54
03 Aug 2016	0.069	1.7	11.2	0.038	b	6.9	12	12.4
22 Jun 2017	0.138	6.0	17.6	0.232	b	7.1	24	-
Consent limit	20*(3)	-	-	15** (1)	20	6-9	100	-

Key: b parameter not determined, no visible hydrocarbon sheen and no odour

Compliance with consent limits was achieved for all parameters during the period under review.

# 11.3.2.2. Results of receiving environment monitoring

The Mangamiro Stream is culverted under the Smart Road rail terminal and emerges immediately upstream of the confluence of the Mangamiro Stream and Mangaone Stream. The stormwater from the eastern area of the terminal is discharged into the Mangamiro Stream at about eight different points. This part of the yard is predominantly unsealed, although there is a small proportion of this sub-catchment that is sealed and contains the railyard's freight handling activities.

The Mangamiro Stream is monitored at the point of entry into the culvert (site code MMR000061) and at the culvert's outlet to the Mangaone Stream (site code MMR000100). The result of the monitoring undertaken during the period under review is given in Table 40.

Table 40 Receiving environment chemical monitoring results for Smart Road rail yard stormwater discharge to the Mangamiro Stream

		15 November 2016		
Parameter	Unit	MMR000061	MMR000100	
		U/s Railyard	D/s Railyard	
Time	NZST	09:15	10:00	
Conductivity @20°C	mS/m	18.9	15.9	
Dissolved reactive phosphorus	g/m³ P	0.006	0.044	
Unionised ammonia	g/m³ N	0.00082	0.00278	

<sup>\*</sup>Limit of 20 ammoniacal nitrogen in force until 31 March 2017, limit of 3 g/m³ pertained thereafter

<sup>\*\*</sup> Limit of 15 dissolved reactive phosphorus in force until 31 March 2017, limit of 1 g/m³ pertained thereafter

		15 November 2016		
Parameter	Unit	MMR000061	MMR000100	
		U/s Railyard	D/s Railyard	
Ammoniacal nitrogen	g/m³ N	0.239	0.261	
Oil and grease	g/m³	<0.5	1.0	
рН	-	7.0	7.5	
Suspended solids	g/m³	5	54	
Temperature	°C	15.5	15.4	
Turbidity	NTU	9.7	59	

**Key:** b parameter not determined, no visible hydrocarbon sheen and no odour

The sampling undertaken 15 November 2016 indicated rises in dissolved reactive phosphorus, suspended solids, turbidity and oil and grease. These rises are likely to be in part the result of KiwiRail's inputs into the Mangamiro Stream, however other sources such as Envirowaste may also contribute. As with all upstream/downstream sampling the time differential between samples may also contribute to changing values, however based on these results no significant adverse effects are noted and compliance with consent conditions was achieved.

# 11.4. Investigations, interventions, and incidents

In the period under review, the Council was not required to undertake significant additional investigations and interventions, or record incidents, in association with KiwiRail's conditions in resource consents or provisions in Regional Plans.

#### 11.5. Discussion

## 11.5.1. Discussion of site performance

The bulk diesel bund and interceptors were generally well managed. No other spills were noted in the refuelling area or freight handling area during the period under review. (Minor issues were noted during this monitoring period in relation to the maintenance of containment and general housekeeping).

#### 11.5.2. Environmental effects of exercise of consent

The concentrations of contaminants in the discharge to the Waiwhakaiho River for the period under review were well within the limits imposed by the conditions of the resource consent. The discharge from this site had no effect on the stormwater discharge from McLeod's Drain (Table 26) or on the receiving water.

Physicochemical monitoring found some measurable, changes in some of the parameters monitored in the Mangamiro Stream, however the downstream values were well within acceptable ranges, and no adverse effects were observed.

# 11.5.3. Evaluation of performance

A tabular summary of the KiwiRail's compliance record for the period under review is set out in Table 41, Table 42 and Table 43.

Table 41 Summary of performance for KiwiRail's consent 1735-3

Purpose: To discharge stormwater into the Mangaone Stream				
	Condition requirement	Means of monitoring during period under review	Compliance achieved?	
1.	Adoption of best practicable option to prevent or minimise adverse effects	Inspection and receiving water monitoring	Yes	
2.	Limits stormwater catchment to 11.28 ha	Inspection	Yes	
3.	Bunding of hazardous substances if on site for more than three days	Inspection	N/A	
4.	Concentration limits upon potential contaminants in discharge	By inference from chemical sampling of receiving water	Not Assessed	
5.	Discharge cannot cause specified adverse effects beyond mixing zone	Visual assessment at inspection and receiving water sampling and biomonitoring	Yes	
6.	Prepare and maintain contingency plan	Review of documentation received. Latest version May 2011	Yes	
7.	Prepare and maintain management plan and review every two years	Review of documentation received	New plan received with application for renewal	
8.	Provision for lapsing of consent	Consent exercised	N/A	
9.	Provision for review of conditions	Consent expired-under Section 124 protection	N/A	
of	erall assessment of consent complia this consent erall assessment of administrative p	High High		

N/A = not applicable

Table 42 Summary of performance for KiwiRail's consent 3528-2 (to 31 March 2017)

Pu	Purpose: To discharge stormwater and treated wastewater into the Waiwhakaiho River				
Condition requirement  Means of monitoring during period under review  Compliance achiev					
1.	Concentration limits upon potential contaminants in discharge	Chemical sampling	Yes		

Purpose: To discharge stormwater and treated wastewater into the Waiwhakaiho River				
	Condition requirement	Means of monitoring during period under review	Compliance achieved?	
2.	Prepare and maintain contingency plan	Review of documentation received. Latest version May 2016	Yes	
3.	Restriction on products that can be washed from containers	Observations during inspection	Yes	
4.	Discharge cannot cause specified adverse effects beyond mixing zone	Visual assessment at inspection and receiving water sampling and biomonitoring	Yes	
5.	Provision for review of consent	No further opportunities for review	N/A	
res	erall assessment of consent comp pect of this consent erall assessment of administrative	High High		

N/A = not applicable

Table 43 Summary of performance for KiwiRail's consent 3528-3 (from 31 March 2017)

Pur	Purpose: To discharge of stormwater into the Waiwhakaiho River				
	Condition requirement	Means of monitoring during period under review	Compliance achieved?		
1.	Adopt best practice	Inspection	No- containment bund tap found to be stuck open		
2.	Size of catchment area	Inspection	Yes		
3.	Contaminant limits in discharge	Sampling	Yes		
4.	Discharge cannot cause specified adverse effects beyond mixing zone	Visual assessment at inspection and receiving water sampling and biomonitoring	Yes		
5.	Contingency planning	Plan received June 2016	Yes		
6.	Adhere to Stormwater management plan	Plan received with application	No- containment bund tap found to be stuck open		
7.	Notification of changes in site processes	No changes made	N/A		
8.	Review condition	Next review option June 2020	N/A		
res	erall assessment of consent comp pect of this consent erall assessment of administrative	Good High			

During the period under review, KiwiRail/New Zealand Railways Corporation Ltd demonstrated a good level of environmental performance and high level of administrative performance and compliance with their resource consents as defined in Section 1.1.5 in relation to its Smart Road site.

# 11.5.4. Recommendation from the 2015-2016 Annual Report

In the 2015-2016 Annual Report, it was recommended:

1. THAT monitoring of discharges from New Zealand Railways Corporation Ltd in the 2016-2017 period remain similar to that undertaken in the 2015-2016 period.

This recommendation was implemented in full.

# 11.5.5. Alterations to monitoring programmes for 2017-2018

In designing and implementing the monitoring programmes for air/water discharges in the region, the Council has taken into account:

- the extent of information already made available through monitoring or other means to date;
- its relevance under the RMA;
- the Council's obligations to monitor consented activities and their effects under the RMA;
- · the record of administrative and environmental performances of the consent holder; and
- reporting to the regional community.

The Council also takes into account the scope of assessments required at the time of renewal of permits, and the need to maintain a sound understanding of industrial processes within Taranaki exercising resource consents.

It is proposed that for 2017-2018, that monitoring of this site remain similar to that of the 2016-2017 period. A recommendation to this effect is attached to this report.

It should be noted that the proposed programme represents a reasonable and risk-based level of monitoring for the site(s) in question. The Council reserves the right to subsequently adjust the programme from that initially prepared, should the need arise if potential or actual non-compliance is determined at any time during 2017-2018.

### 11.6. Recommendation

- 1. THAT in the first instance, monitoring of discharges from New Zealand Railways Corporation Ltd in the 2017-2018 period remain similar to that undertaken in the 2016-2017 period.
- THAT should there be issues with environmental or administrative performance in 2017-2018, monitoring may be adjusted to reflect any additional investigation or intervention as found necessary.

# 12. Ravensdown Fertiliser Co-operative Ltd

# 12.1. Process description

The New Plymouth depot of Ravensdown Fertiliser Co-operative Ltd (Ravensdown) occupies an area of about 7 ha bounded by Devon, Smart and Katere Roads, and the Smart Road rail yard (Figure 17). The Mangaone Stream touches the eastern boundary. The depot receives, bags, blends and distributes fertilisers in various forms, namely superphosphate, lime, dolomite and imported high analysis products such as ammonium sulphate, urea, triple super, potassium chloride (potash) and monoammonium and diammonium phosphates (MAP & DAP). Small volumes of trace element fertilisers such as zinc sulphate are also handled through the store. Approximately 250,000 tonnes of fertiliser are distributed per annum.

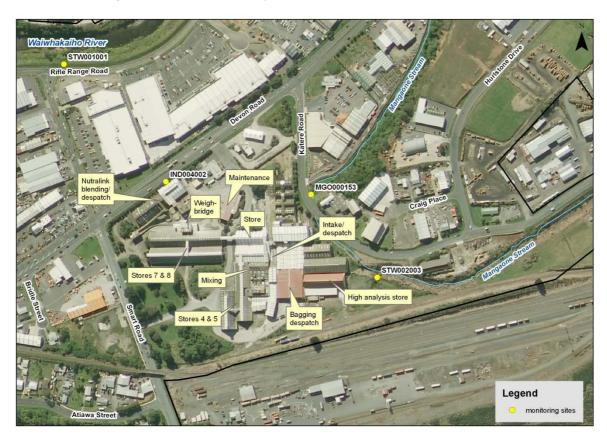


Figure 17 Ravensdown Fertiliser Co-operative Ltd site and sampling point locations

Until 1 July 1997, Farmers Fertiliser Ltd manufactured super phosphate on the site by acidulation of phosphate rock. Sulphuric acid was manufactured from elemental sulphur. A chrome sulphate plant was run in conjunction with the sulphuric acid plant. Hydrofluorosilicic acid was produced as a by-product of the rock acidulation process. The manufacturing plants were all decommissioned and subsequently removed from site, with the acid plant being the last plant to be removed, which was completed during the 2002-2003 year. After decommissioning, the acid tank was retained for storage of liquid wastes containing high levels of fertiliser.

Stormwater from the site discharges to both the Waiwhakaiho River and its tributary the Mangaone Stream.

Drainage from western and northern parts of the site flows to the Waiwhakaiho River (Consent 3140), via an underground drain that runs beside Devon Road to Smart Road intersection, where it meets a piped tributary of the river. The piped tributary, known as McLeod's Drain, originates in the Queens Road area and runs beneath lower Smart Road for about 600 metres from the railway, to join the river about 50 metres downstream of Smart Road. The mean flow of the tributary is about 10 L/s.

Drainage from southern and eastern parts of the site flows to the Mangaone Stream at several points (Consent 3865). The catchment area of about 2.8 ha includes the (road and rail) transfer area for fertilisers. Part of the fertiliser transfer area is on land owned by NZRC (formerly TranzRail). The main discharge is via a short ditch that meets the Mangaone Stream about 150 metres above the Katere Road Bridge. The Mangamiro Stream, which is a small piped tributary of the Mangaone Stream, exits just upstream of the Ravensdown stormwater drain. The other discharge points are mainly roof drain outlets.

Ravensdown, when seeking new consents for the stormwater discharges in 1997, stated that its activities would be limited to receipt of fertilisers by road from Port Taranaki and by rail from Napier, and the despatch of fertilisers by both road and rail. Ravensdown intended to use only that (south-eastern) part of the site occupied by the old acidulation plant and fertiliser load out areas, and planned to dispose of the remainder by either sale or lease. At that time Council was informed that, to minimise contamination of stormwater, all loading and unloading of fertilisers would be under cover, and vehicles would travel only on sealed surfaces. Ravensdown are continuing to progress towards the sealing of metal areas subject to heavy traffic flow, although occasional loading and unloading of trucks occurs outside the high analysis store in the south east area of the site.

Challenge Petroleum Ltd purchased a parcel (0.65 ha) of the property at the intersection of Devon and Katere Roads for use as a road service station in 1998. This was the location of the old chrome plant building, which was removed completely. The service station has subsequently been redeveloped into an office block, which included the removal of the underground storage tanks.

The old acid plant site was previously occupied by Nutralink for blending of fertilisers, followed by FBT for storage and dispatch of grain and similar products.

# 12.2. Water discharge permits

Ravensdown blends, stores and distributes fertiliser at a depot situated between Devon, Katere and Smart Roads. Ravensdown was granted two resource consents on 26 November 1997, to discharge stormwater from the depot to the Waiwhakaiho River and to the Mangaone Stream for a period until 1 June 2014.

Discharge permit 3140-2 provided for the discharge of up to 700 litres per second of stormwater to the Waiwhakaiho River via McLeod's Drain, with 'standardised' conditions. The mixing zone boundary in the Waiwhakaiho River extends 150 metres downstream from the point of discharge of McLeod's Drain. The concentration of un-ionised ammonia in the river may not exceed 0.025 g/m<sup>3</sup>.

Discharge permit 3865-3 provided for the discharge of up to 700 litres per second of stormwater to the Mangaone Stream, with 'standardised' conditions. The mixing zone boundary is defined as Katere Road bridge, about 150 metres below the discharge point. The concentration of un-ionised ammonia in the stream may not exceed 0.025 g/m³. The discharge of phosphorus is to be minimised.

Applications to renew these consents were received by Council on 19 November 2013. These consents were exercised under Section 124 of the RMA until they were superseded on 3 May 2017 when a renewed permit was granted.

Consent 3865-4 to discharge stormwater from a fertiliser storage depot onto and into land and into the Mangaone Stream and into the Waiwhakaiho River was issued on 3 May 2017 under Section 88 on the RMA and expires on 1 June 2026. This consent combined the activities of the two prior consents 3140-2 and 3865-3.

It contains the standardised conditions as well as two extra conditions requiring the maintenance of groundwater bores and foot access to water sampling sites.

Ravensdown exercised one other resource consent in relation to the fertiliser depot. Discharge permit 4024-3 provides for emissions to air, mainly dust. Monitoring of this permit is addressed in a separate report.

## 12.3. Results

# 12.3.1. Inspections

Compliance monitoring inspections were conducted on four occasions at the Ravensdown site during the period. These were on 1 September 2016, 21 December 2016, 17 March 2017 and 1 June 2017.

The inspections focused on product tracking, evidence of spills, ongoing works to dismantle and remediate parts of the site, the state of the drains, the treatment wetland and the receiving waters.

During the period under review several small spills of product were noted and these were cleaned up as requested. During inspection the wetlands and receiving waters were inspected and no issues were noted.

# 12.3.2. Chemical analysis

# 12.3.2.1. Results of discharge monitoring

Waiwhakaiho River (Consent 3140-2 until 3 May 2017 then 3568-4)

The discharge to the Waiwhakaiho River is sampled at a manhole on the old effluent line to McLeod's Drain (Site Code IND004002). The results of monitoring for the period under review are presented in Table 44. A summary of all monitoring data from the site is included for comparison.

The oil and grease concentration limit given in consent 3140 was assessed as having been complied with on all monitoring occasions during the period under review. The pH and suspended solids limits were also complied with on all occasions.

Table 44 Chemical monitoring results for Ravensdown's discharge to McLeod's Drain- site IND004002

Parameter	Unit	Min	Max	Med	N	03 Aug 2016	22 Jun 2017	Consent limits
Ammoniacal N	g/m³ N	0.005	317	27.55	40	6.93	37.4	-
Conductivity	mS/m @ 20°C	19.2	4240	96.3	63	25.6	99.7	-
DRP	g/m³ P	0.004	85.9	2.125	66	2.19	3.25	30*
Fluoride	g/m³	0.2	570	2.02	65	0.82	1.21	-
Oil and grease	g/m³	0.4	13	0.3	32	<0.5	b	15
рН	рН	3.3	10.2	7.6	68	7.5	7.4	6-9
Suspended solids	g/m³	2	1400	44	67	48	26	100
Temperature	Deg.C	10.4	47.9	17.8	63	12.3	13.7	-
Total phosphorus	g/m³ P	0.043	72.6	6.03	43	3.91	4.32	-
Turbidity	NTU	16	400	68	22	63	20	-
Un-ionised ammonia	g/m³ N	0.00002	93.38	0.36292	32	0.05879	0.27991	-

**Key:** b parameter not determined, no visible hydrocarbon sheen and no odour

<sup>\*</sup> In force from 3 May 2017

Results continue show that the composition of the discharge has changed considerably since manufacturing stopped at the site. The turbidity, pH, and the concentration of suspended solids, and the nutrients ammonia and phosphorus have all increased markedly, while the temperature, fluoride concentration and conductivity have, for the most part, reduced. These changes owe largely to the cessation of the discharge of brackish cooling water from the Waiwhakaiho estuary following the closure of the fertiliser works. The large cooling water flow tended to mask any effects of stormwater, resulting in a discharge of relatively low turbidity, suspended solids and nutrient values that had a high conductivity. The elevated ammonia and phosphorus concentrations now typically observed owe to the dissolution of fertiliser particles carried by wind or water into the stormwater drains.

Ammoniacal nitrogen, total phosphorus and dissolved reactive phosphorus were found to be similar to median values in all samples.

The fluoride concentrations found in the discharges were

similar to the median of the historical results and were below the NZ drinking water guideline of 1.5 mg/L.

Mangaone Stream (Consent 3865-3 to 3 May 2017 then 3568-4).

The main discharge to the Mangaone Stream, comprising stormwater and/or groundwater seepage, is sampled from a ditch in the south-eastern corner of the site, outside the high analysis store (site code STW002003). The results of monitoring for the period under review are presented in Table 45. A summary of previous monitoring data is included for comparison.

Table 45 Chemical monitoring results for Ravensdown main stormwater discharge to the Mangaone Stream-site STW002003

Parameter	Unit	Min	Max	Med	N	15 Nov 2016	17 May 2017	Consent limits
Ammoniacal N	g/m³ N	3.97	1210	54.6	62	46.6	7.36	-
Conductivity @ 20°C	mS/m	41.2	1300	162	69	181	49.6	-
DRP	g/m³ P	3.4	697	24	69	19.0	5.03	30*
Fluoride	g/m³	0.12	100	1.92	64	1.50	1.16	-
Nitrite/nitrate N	g/m³ N	3.6	151	23.7	37	19.2	13.1	15
Oil and grease	g/m³	0.5	360	0.2	27	b	b	-
рН	рН	3.3	8.2	6.9	68	6.8	6.9	6-9
Suspended solids	g/m³	3	1600	28.5	66	21	61	100
Temperature	Deg.C	10.3	23.2	15.1	65	15.2	15.1	-
Total phosphorus	g/m³ P	4.2	707	19.15	46	20.0	7.06	-
Turbidity	NTU	2.2	170	21	25	15	42	-
Un-ionised ammonia	g/m³	0.00009	5.67691	0.16228	54	0.09838	0.01941	-

**Key:** b parameter not determined, no visible hydrocarbon sheen and no odour

Compliance was observed with the pH, oil and grease limits, DRP, and suspended solids on all monitoring occasions. All other parameters were either similar or below median values of the site.

<sup>\*</sup> In force from 3 May 2017

# 12.3.2.2. Results of receiving water monitoring

#### Waiwhakaiho River

Sampling of the Waiwhakaiho River, up and downstream of the Macleod's Drain were undertaken on two occasions during the sampling of the discharges at both Ravensdown and the Macleod's Drain discharge. These results are given in Table 46. The downstream results show little change in the quality of the water downstream of MacLeod's Drain when compared to samples taken upstream. During the period under review there were generally only very small changes in the dissolved reactive phosphorus, unionised ammonia, ammoniacal nitrogen, suspended solids and turbidity concentrations of the Waiwhakaiho River 300 metres downstream of where the Ravensdown stormwater discharges (via McLeod's Drain). There was little, if any, change in the fluoride concentration of the receiving water.

The results from the sampling at the MacLeod's Drain discharge to the Waiwhakaiho show that the quality of the water has improved when compared to the input from Ravensdown indicating that dilution is occurring in the stormwater network.

Table 46 Receiving water nutrient monitoring in relation to Ravensdown's discharge to the Waiwhakaiho River 3 August 2016

Parameter	Unit	WKH000920 Constance Road	IND004002 Ravensdown's discharge to McLeod's Drain	STW001001 McLeod's Drain prior to discharge to Waiwhakaiho	WKH000925 300 m d/s McLeod's Drain
Conductivity @ 20°C	mS/m	9.1	25.6	16	9.1
DRP	g/m³ P	0.014	2.19	0.5	0.015
Fluoride	g/m³	<0.01	0.82	0.08	<0.01
Oil and grease	g/m³	b	b	b	b
Un-ionised ammonia	g/m³	0.00014	0.05879	0.00519	0.00018
Ammoniacal nitrogen	g/m³ N	0.012	6.93	1.42	0.023
рН	-	7.7	7.5	7.1	7.5
Suspended solids	g/m³	2	48	28	2
Temperature	Deg.C	10.8	12.3	13.3	10.9
Turbidity	NTU	1.4	63	33	1.6

**Key:** b no visual evidence of oil and grease contamination

#### Mangaone Stream

On all monitoring occasions increases were observed in the ammoniacal nitrogen and unionised ammonia concentrations at the Katere Road bridge monitoring site, however the absolute levels found at the site immediately downstream of the Ravensdown site were well below the 0.025 g/m<sup>3</sup> guideline for chronic toxicity.

Increases were noted in dissolved reactive phosphorus at the site immediately downstream of Ravensdown wetland discharge (site MGO000153) and other parameters tested for were found at acceptable levels in the downstream receiving environment.

Table 47 Receiving water nutrient monitoring in relation to Ravensdown's discharge to the Mangaone Stream 15 November 2016

Parameter	Unit	MGO000148 250m d/s Puremu S. confluence.	STW002003 Rear Ravensdown Stormwater	MGO000153 Katere Road bridge	MGO000190 Rifle Range Road.
Conductivity	mS/m@ 20°C	14.5	181	17.6	14.7
DRP	g/m³ P	0.013	19	0.329	0.173
Oil and grease	g/m³	b	b	b	b
Un-ionised ammonia	g/m³	0.00102	0.09838	0.00443	0.00408
Ammoniacal nitrogen	g/m³ N	0.192	46.6	0.831	0.477
Nitrite/nitrate	g/m³ N	0.78	19.2	1.04	
рН		7.2	6.8	7.2	7.4
Suspended solids	g/m³	17	21	33	15
Temperature	Deg.C	15.3	15.2	15.3	15.5
Turbidity	NTU	15	15	-	17

**Key:** b no visual evidence of oil and grease contamination

### 12.3.2.3. Results of groundwater monitoring

From the 2002-2003 period, the compliance monitoring programme has provided for a full survey of the groundwater in the immediate vicinity of the Ravensdown site to be undertaken at five sites on two occasions during each monitoring year, along with associated receiving water monitoring. The location of the monitoring bores is shown in Figure 4 and the results are given in Table 48, Table 49 and Table 50.

The data presented shows that there is an elevation in the total and dissolved phosphorus in the groundwater bores in the vicinity of the Ravensdown site. This is especially so in GND0517 which, whilst below its historical maximum was well above the median for the site on both monitoring occasions.

The ammoniacal nitrogen concentration of the groundwater is also elevated at all three bores in the immediate vicinity of the site, with the concentrations found at GND0517, adjacent to Katere Road, continuing to be significantly above background during the period under review.

Although affected to a much lesser extent, the ammoniacal nitrogen concentration at GND1218, on the northern boundary of the site approximately 70 m from the urea store is also elevated. Historical results for this site show that the ammoniacal nitrogen concentration had previously varied between 6.5 and 26.2 g/m $^3$  (Figure 18). In this period the concentrations were again elevated with a new maximum in the summer sample of 159 g/m $^3$  and 107 g/m $^3$  in the autumn sample.

Samples taken from the new bore (GND2346) used in place of GND1342 returned results significantly lower than the range of results previously reported for GND1342.

Table 48 Chemical monitoring results for nutrients in the groundwater and Mangaone Stream in the vicinity of Ravensdown for 23 February 2017

Parameter	Unit	GND1217	GND1218	GND2346	GND0517	GND0518	MGO000151	MGO000155
Conductivity @ 20°C	mS/m	118	186.5	37.5	274	42.9	17.2	17.4
DRP	g/m³ P	0.005	<0.003	0.194	2.22	0.27	0.01	0.011
Un-ionised ammonia	g/m³	0.0004	0.0396	0.04139	3.23982	0.01436	0.00074	0.00113
Ammoniacal nitrogen	g/m³ N	0.788	159	0.931	164	1.73	0.066	0.083
Nitrite/nitrate nitrogen	g/m³ N	6.24	-	-	-	-	-	-
рН	рН	6.1	5.75	8	7.7	7.3	7.4	7.5
Sulphate	g/m³	494	548	<1	232	26.6	-	-
Temperature	Deg.C	17.7	17.4	19.5	17.6	18.2	19.1	18.7
Total phosphorus	g/m³ P	0.055	0.071	0.253	2.22	0.474	0.055	0.049

Table 49 Chemical monitoring results for nutrients in the groundwater and Mangaone Stream in the vicinity of Ravensdown for 1 June 2017

Parameter	Unit	GND1218	GND2346	GND0517	MGO000151	MGO000155
Conductivity @ 20°C	mS/m	144	36.8	214	16.7	17.0
DRP	g/m³ P	0.004	0.084	1.52	0.005	0.006
Un-ionised ammonia	g/m³	0.02567	0.03390	3.20062	0.00052	0.00063
Ammoniacal nitrogen	g/m³ N	107	0.893	138	0.114	0.139
рН	рН	5.8	8.0	7.8	7.2	7.2
Sulphate	g/m³	413	<1	147	7.2	
Temperature	Deg.C	16.9	17.3	16.7	13.1	13.2
Total phosphorus	g/m³ P	0.018	0.194	1.58	0.021	0.019

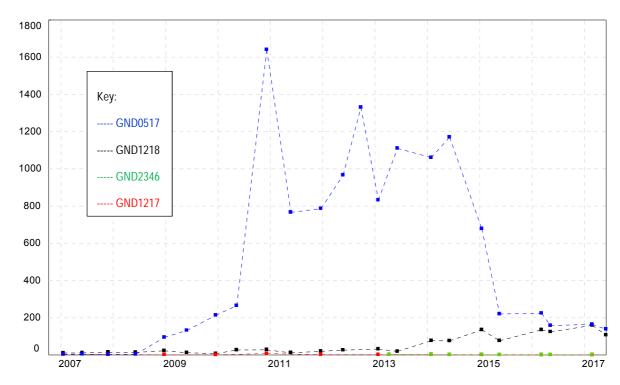


Figure 18 Ammoniacal nitrogen concentration at sites GND0517, GND1218, GND2346 and GND1217 from 2006 to June 2017

In 2003, soon after regular monitoring commenced, the ammoniacal nitrogen concentration found in bore GND0517 was 5,000 g/m³. It was identified that the phosphate rock store (Rock Store) was the likely source of contaminants due to a leaking roof and broken concrete floor. The ammoniacal nitrogen concentration dropped markedly after the store was emptied in December 2003. The ammoniacal nitrogen concentration bottomed out at approximately 3 g/m³ during the 2007-2008 monitoring year before beginning to increase once again. It was subsequently found by Council that this store had been put back into use. The recoverable material was removed from the store in the middle of the 2010-2011 year, and a plastic liner was placed over the remaining material to prevent contact with stormwater entering through the leaks in the roof. Since this intervention site GND0517 has exhibited elevated and fluctuating concentrations in ammoniacal nitrogen. The Rock Store was then demolished between October 2013 and May 2014. This was accompanied with a significant decline in the concentration of ammoniacal nitrogen found at this site. A review of current data indicates that this trend appears to be continuing.

Despite the elevated ammoniacal nitrogen in the vicinity of the Ravensdown site, dry weather in-stream monitoring (Section 16.1.2) showed that during the period under review, there were only slight increases in the ammoniacal nitrogen concentration in the Mangaone Stream as it flowed past the Ravensdown site. The levels found at the downstream site are well below the 0.025 g/m³ chronic toxicity guideline for freshwater ecosystems. The dissolved reactive phosphorous concentration was found to be slightly in excess of the ANZECC trigger value of 0.010 g/m³ below the site on both monitoring occasions.

At this stage no significant adverse effects are being noted in the Waiwhakaiho River during dry weather (Section 16.1.1.2). The Council is continuing to monitor the situation.

Table 50 Metals and inorganics for groundwater at Ravensdown 23 February 2017

Parameter	Unit	DWSNZ MAV	GND1217	GND1218	GND2346	GND0517	GND0518
Acid soluble cadmium	g/m³	0.004	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005	<0.005
Conductivity @ 20°C	mS/m	-	118	186.5	37.5	274	42.9
Acid soluble chromium	g/m³	0.05	<0.03	<0.03	<0.03	<0.03	<0.03
Acid soluble copper	g/m³	2	0.02	0.01	<0.01	0.02	<0.01
Fluoride	g/m³	1.5	1.01	0.05	0.13	0.39	0.34
Nickel acid soluble	g/m³	0.08	0.05	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02	<0.02
Lead acid soluble	g/m³	0.01	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05	<0.05
рН	рН	7-8.5	6.1	5.75	8	7.7	7.3
Sulphate	g/m³	250	494	548	<1	232	26.6
Temperature	Deg.C	-	17.7	17.4	19.5	17.6	18.2
Total phosphorus	g/m³ P	-	0.055	0.071	0.253	2.22	0.474
Dissolved vanadium	g/m³	-	0.001	0.001	<0.001	0.016	<0.001
Acid soluble zinc	g/m³	0.008*	0.104	0.013	<0.005	0.006	0.009

**Key:** Results shown in bold within a table indicates that the maximum acceptable value given in the Drinking-Water Standards for New Zealand 2005 (Revised 2008) (DWSNZ MAV) has been exceeded

The results obtained for the concentrations of metals, fluoride and the pH's observed in the groundwater are generally of the same order of magnitude as found in monitoring undertaken in previous period. For context, with the exception of pH and sulphate results groundwater in the vicinity of Ravensdown inorganics and metals were within DWSNZ maximum allowable values (where specified).

## 12.3.3. Receiving environment monitoring

The programmed receiving environment monitoring undertaken to monitor the condition of the receiving waters of the catchment as a whole is reported in Section 16.

## 12.3.4. Investigations, interventions, and incidents

In the period under review, the Council was not required to record incidents, in association with Ravensdown Fertilisers Co-operative Ltd's conditions in resource consents or provisions in Regional Plans in association with activities undertaken at the existing site.

#### 12.4. Discussion

# 12.4.1. Discussion of site performance

In general, inspection found that housekeeping at the site during normal operations was generally quite good.

During the period under review the discharge to the Waiwhakaiho River via McLeod's Drain complied with discharge limits.

<sup>\*</sup>No MAV available for zinc, this is the adopted ANZECC trigger value for freshwater

Receiving water monitoring found that there were no significant adverse effects in the Waiwhakaiho River or in the Mangaone Stream.

Groundwater monitoring indicated that the ammoniacal nitrogen concentration in the groundwater on Katere Road, adjacent to the site, continued to be elevated, however Ravensdown demolished the rock store and this appears to have had a salutary effect on ammoniacal nitrogen levels in bore GND0517.

During the period under review Ravensdown continued with construction of a new purpose built transfer and storage facility and it is envisaged that once the operation been relocated to the new site effects that this will have positive effect on nutrient levels in receiving waters.

#### 12.4.2. Environmental effects of exercise of consents

The high ammonia and phosphorus concentrations measured at both discharge points are attributed to the dissolution of fertiliser particles carried by wind or water into the stormwater drains. A measurable increase in concentration of these nutrients below the discharge points was observed during the year under review in both receiving waters (i.e. the Mangaone and Waiwhakaiho). However, the changes were compliant with the conditions of the resource consents and were not expected to have resulted in any significant adverse effects.

During the period under review the biomonitoring reports indicate that there is a deterioration in MCI and SQMCI in the lower Mangaone which is likely to be, in part, be attributable to both direct discharges and enriched groundwater intrusion associated with the Ravensdown site. Contrary to surveys of the previous period which indicated that the longitudinal deterioration may have been reducing, the summer survey of this period indicated a more pronounced longitudinal deterioration in the Mangaone Stream. The surveys found no such effects in the lower Waiwhakaiho River.

Groundwater analysis results have shown that the ammoniacal nitrogen concentrations in the groundwater in the Katere Road area of the site continued to be elevated. However, remedial works at the site appear to be mitigating the levels of this contaminant in GND0517.

# 12.4.3. Evaluation of performance

A tabular summary of the consent holder's compliance record for the year under review is set out in Table 51, Table 52, and Table 53.

Table 51 Summary of performance for consent 3865-3 (to 3 May 2017)

Pur	Purpose: To discharge stormwater into the Mangaone Stream							
	Condition requirement	Means of monitoring during period under review	Compliance achieved?					
1.	Concentration limits upon potential contaminants in discharge	Discharge sampling	Yes					
2.	Minimisation of free phosphate	Discharge sampling	Yes					
3.	Discharge cannot cause specified adverse effects beyond mixing zone	Visual assessment at inspection and receiving water sampling and biomonitoring	Yes					
4.	Prepare and maintain contingency plan	Review of documentation received. Latest version 2014	Yes					
5.	Provision for review of consent	No further opportunities for Review	N/A					

Purpose: To discharge stormwater into the Mangaone Stream				
Condition requirement	Compliance achieved?			
Overall assessment of consent compliance respect of this consent Overall assessment of administrative perfe	·	Good High		

N/A not applicable

Table 52 Summary of performance for consent 3140-2 (to May 2017)

Pu	Purpose: To discharge stormwater into the Waiwhakaiho River					
	Condition requirement	Means of monitoring during period under review	Compliance achieved?			
1.	Concentration limits upon potential contaminants in discharge	Discharge sampling	Yes			
2.	Discharge cannot cause specified adverse effects beyond mixing zone	Visual assessment at inspection and receiving water sampling and biomonitoring	Yes			
3.	Prepare and maintain contingency plan	Review of documentation received. Latest version 2014	Yes			
4.	Provision for review of consent	No further opportunities for review	N/A			
Ov res	Good					
	respect of this consent  Overall assessment of administrative performance in respect of this consent					

Table 53 Summary of performance for consent 3865-4 (from 3 May 2017)

Pui	Purpose: To discharge stormwater into the Waiwhakaiho River							
	Condition requirement	Means of monitoring during period under review	Compliance achieved?					
1.	Adopt best practice	Inspection/liaison with consent holder	Yes					
2.	Limit on catchment area	Inspection	Yes					
3.	Concentration limits upon potential contaminants in discharge	Discharge sampling	Yes					
4.	Discharge cannot cause specified adverse effects beyond mixing zone	Visual assessment at inspection and receiving water sampling and biomonitoring	Yes					
5.	Prepare and maintain contingency plan	Review of documentation received. Latest version 2014	Yes					

Pur	Purpose: To discharge stormwater into the Waiwhakaiho River					
	Condition requirement	Means of monitoring during period under review	Compliance achieved?			
6.	Prepare and maintain management plan	Review of documentation received. Latest version 2014	Yes			
7.	Maintain groundwater bores	Bores accessible and sampled	Yes			
8.	Maintain safe access to water sampling sites	Sites accessible and sampled	Yes			
9.	Notification of changes or remediation	No changes made	N/A			
10.	Provision for review of consent	Review not required	N/A			
	erall assessment of consent compoect of this consent	Good				
	erall assessment of administrative	High				

### N/A not applicable

During the period under review, Ravensdown Fertiliser Co-operative Ltd demonstrated a good level of environmental performance and high level of administrative performance and compliance with their resource consents as defined in Section 1.1.5 in relation to their site on Smart Road. Whilst overall compliance with consent conditions was noted to be high, the contamination of groundwater from historical activities continues to be evident.

## 12.4.4. Recommendation from the 2015-2016 Annual Report

In the 2015-2016 Annual Report, it was recommended:

1. THAT monitoring of discharges from Ravensdown Fertiliser Co-operative Ltd in the 2016-2017 period continue at a similar level as that undertaken in the 2015-2016 period.

This recommendation was implemented.

# 12.4.5. Alterations to monitoring programmes for 2017-2018

In designing and implementing the monitoring programmes for air/water discharges in the region, the Council has taken into account:

- the extent of information already made available through monitoring or other means to date;
- · its relevance under the RMA;
- the Council's obligations to monitor consented activities and their effects under the RMA;
- the record of administrative and environmental performances of the consent holder; and
- · reporting to the regional community.

The Council also takes into account the scope of assessments required at the time of renewal of permits, and the need to maintain a sound understanding of industrial processes within Taranaki exercising resource consents.

It is proposed that for 2017-2018, the programme remain at a similar level as that undertaken in 2016-2017. A recommendation to this effect is attached to this report.

It should be noted that the proposed programme represents a reasonable and risk-based level of monitoring for the site(s) in question. The Council reserves the right to subsequently adjust the programme from that initially prepared, should the need arise if potential or actual non-compliance is determined at any time during 2017-2018.

# 12.4.6. Exercise of optional review of consent

Resource consent 3865-4 provides for an optional review of the consent in June 2018. Condition 10 allows the Council to review the consent, for the purpose of ensuring that the conditions are adequate to deal with any adverse effects on the environment arising from the exercise of this resource consent.

Based on the results of monitoring in the year under review, and in previous years as set out in earlier annual compliance monitoring reports, it is considered that there are no grounds that require a review to be pursued.

# 12.5. Recommendation

- 1. THAT in the first instance, monitoring of discharges from Ravensdown Fertiliser Co-operative Ltd in the 2017-2018 period continue at a similar level as that undertaken in the 2016-2017 period.
- 2. THAT should there be issues with environmental or administrative performance in 2017-2018, monitoring may be adjusted to reflect any additional investigation or intervention as found necessary.
- 3. THAT the option for a review of resource consent 3865-4 in June 2018, as set out in condition 10 of the consent, not be exercised, on the grounds that the current conditions are adequate to deal with any adverse effects on the environment arising from the exercise of this resource consent.

# 13. Taranaki Sawmills Ltd

# 13.1. Process description

Taranaki Sawmills Ltd (TSM) has operated a timber treatment plant on Katere Road since 1956. In 1997, an adjoining site was purchased and developed for painting and packaging, packaging componentry, and a domestic despatch yard, some of which has now been on-sold. About 30 persons are employed at the site.

Timber is treated at two plants. At one plant, timber is treated with copper, chromium and arsenic (CCA), and with boron. At the other plant, light organic solvent preservatives (LOSP) is used.



Figure 19 Taranaki Sawmills site and sampling point locations

At the CCA boron treatment plant, all chemical storage tanks and treatment vessels were once situated in the open. These areas were sealed and bunded and contaminated stormwater was collected in sumps and recycled back through the treatment process. The CCA process was changed in February 1999 by the addition of a steam fixation step after CCA treatment, known as the CCA Dry process. This resulted in the elimination of drippage after treatment. Previously, CCA treated timber had to be left on the drip pad for seven days, now the timber only needs to be left on the drip pad for 24 hours to ensure that there is no drippage once the wood is removed from the treatment area. There is no discharge to water as a result of the CCA dry process, as blowdown from this process is recycled. During the 2002-2003 year, a roof was constructed over the drip pad, treatment vessels and chemical storage area, thus eliminating the potential for contaminants to be entrained in the stormwater from these areas.

Some timber is pre-treated by steaming to improve the penetration of the CCA solution. After each steam cycle, the vessel is cooled via an external water heat exchanger to reduce turnaround time. The sludge generated in the steamer vessel, and blowdown from the boiler, was discharged to a settling pit at a rate of about 1,000 L/ day. The settled wastewater, and about 15,000 L/ day of cooling water, was discharged to the Mangaone Stream via a stormwater drain. Sludge that accumulated in the pit was disposed of by a local contractor. During the 2005-2006 year, the condensate from this "steam cracking" of the timber was diverted to sewer. The discharge of cooling water to the Mangaone Stream continued until the 2008-2009 year, from which point the cooling water was also diverted to trade waste.

In boron treatment, a vacuum is applied to improve chemical diffusion. The boron treated timber was left under tarpaulins on the drip pad for 14 days for diffusion to complete. An improvement in the boron treatment

process was introduced in March 2007. Taranaki Sawmills now employ a dry treatment process using "Framepro". The process for "Framepro" is that the timber is kiln dried before it is sent to the treatment plant. After treatment it dries in a shed on a drip pad until being shipped out.

A new light organic solvent preservative (LOSP) plant was commissioned in February 1999. The treatment chemicals used in the LOSP process are a range of blends containing one or more of the following, in a white spirit solvent; 3-lodo-2-propynyl-n-butylcarbamate (IPBC), permethrin, Propiconazole (PRCA) and Tebuconazole (TEBA) depending on end use of the timber. At the old LOSP plant, chemical storage tanks were located outside at the northern end of the site in an area that was bunded. The drippage area, which drained to a recycle sump, was also outside. At the new plant, the process is carried out entirely within a building with internal bunds, under computer control to optimise treatment and minimise chemical use. There is no wastewater discharge.

The use of tributyltin oxide at the site ceased in April 2010. Residual tributyltin and CCA have been found in the site surfaces from historical practices. This has been mapped and managed by progressively concreting the affected areas, as discussed in previous Annual/Biennial Reports.

Uncontaminated stormwater, from outside of bunded areas and from roofs, is channelled into two drains that join prior to exiting the site at Katere Road and discharging to the Mangaone Stream.

# 13.2. Water discharge permit

TSM holds discharge permit 3491-2 to cover discharge of cooling water and wastewater from a timber drying plant and stormwater from a timber treatment site into the Mangaone Stream in the Waiwhakaiho catchment. This consent was granted by the Council under Section 88 of the RMA on 17 June 2006, and will expire on 1 June 2020.

The special conditions on the consent require that the consent holder:

- 1. adopts the best practicable option to minimise effects;
- 2. exercises the consent in a manner consistent with the description in the application;
- 3. adheres to the New Zealand Timber Preservation Council's best practice guideline;
- 4. ensures that the bunding meets HSNO requirements after a certain date;
- 5. limits the stormwater catchment area;
- 6. limits the daily discharge volume of cooling water and wastewater;
- 7. limits the concentration of particular contaminants known to be used in the industry;
- 8. limits general (RMA, Section 107) receiving water effects beyond a 30 m mix zone;
- 9. limits the pH range and change in pH permitted in the receiving water;
- 10. limits temperature effects and changes in filtered carbonaceous biochemical oxygen demand in the receiving water;
- 11. requires the investigation of pesticide presence in the receiving water and stream sediment;
- 12. requires the investigation of copper in the receiving water;
- 13. sets the deadline by which the results of the investigations be provided to Council;
- 14. maintains a contingency plan;
- 15. provision for lapse of the consent if not exercised;
- 16. provision for review based on effects, and
- 17. provision for review based on changes in the New Zealand Timber Preservation Council's best practice guideline or specific Hazardous Substances regulations.

#### 13.3. Results

## 13.3.1. Inspections

TSM's site was inspected on two occasions during the monitoring period, 11 August 2016 and 9 March 2017.

The inspections focused on any evidence of spills or staining on the concreted areas, the condition of the stormwater drains and associated mitigation measures, the cooling water system (for leaks etc), containment bunding, vehicle tracking and general housekeeping.

On both occasions the site was found to be compliant with conditions and generally well manged. No tracking from the treatment areas or evidence of spills were noted and the drains were found to free of contamination upon visual inspection.

# 13.3.2. Discharge chemical analysis

Historically the primary sampling point for this site was a combined discharge point on the opposite side of Katere Road (site IND001006). This was sampled on one occasion during the monitoring period, however it was identified by the consent holder that this site could potentially be contaminated with stormwater from Katere Road.

Subsequently two additional sampling sites were established (IND001068 and IND001069) to sample stormwater from TSM at the point of discharge into NPDC's stormwater network. These sites were each sampled twice during the monitoring period. The results are presented in Table 54.

Table 54 Chemical monitoring results for TSM stormwater discharges

Parameter	Units	IND0( (easterr		IND0 (wester	Consent	
		15- Nov-2016	17-May-2017	15-Nov-2016	17-May-2017	limits
IPBC	g/m³	<0.002	<0.002	<0.002	<0.002	
Total arsenic	g/m³	0.091	0.0165	0.091	0.0197	0.24
BOD	g/m³	5.1	3.5	6.5	3.9	-
Boron	g/m³	0.11	0.05	0.12	0.06	3.7
COD	g/m³	64	15	87	36	-
Total chromium	g/m³	0.090	0.0102	0.0008	0.0188	0.4
Conductivity @20°C	mS/m	8.3	1.8	10.6	2.1	-
Dissolved copper	g/m³	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01	0.088
Total copper	g/m³	0.046	0.0117	0.022	0.025	-
Dibutyltin (as Sn)	g/m³	0.00039	<0.00011	<0.00011	<0.00011	-
Oil and Grease	g/m³	0.6	b	1	b	15
Permethrin	g/m³	0.0032	0.0012	0.0014	0.0015	-
рН	рН	6.7	6.8	7.3	7.1	6-9
PRCA	g/m³	0.036	0.0175	0.026	0.02	-
Suspended solids	g/m³	60	12	140	120	100
TEBA	g/m³	0.039	0.0167	0.027	0.02	-
Temperature	Deg.C	15.9	15.1	15.9	15.1	-
Total tin	g/m³	0.0088	<0.00053	0.0035	0.0037	-
Tributyltin (as Sn)	g/m³	0.00018	<0.00009	<0.00009	<0.00009	0.0046
Triphenyltin (as Sn)	g/m³	<0.00007	<0.0007	0.00007	<0.00007	0.64
Turbidity	NTU	100	12	220		-

Parameter	Units	IND001068 (eastern grate)		IND0( (wester	Consent	
		15- Nov-2016	17-May-2017	15-Nov-2016	17-May-2017	limits
Dissolved zinc	g/m³	0.155	0.264	0.708	0.245	-
Total zinc	g/m³	0.30	0.29	1.79	0.46	-

Samples taken from both of the sites complied with all consent conditions in regard to constituent concentrations with the exception of suspended solids from both samples taken from site IND001069. As the exceedances were low and that there would be further dilution when mixed with the cleaner discharge of IND001068, the environmental effect was likely to be insignificant. The consent holder was informed and they undertook works to improve silt control.

Monitoring of the treatment chemicals IPBC, permethrin, PRCA and TEBA was initiated in the 2010-2011 year after TSM changed to using these chemicals rather than tributyltin. Levels of these contaminants have been known to fluctuate over time with the latest results being similar to the median of all results form TSM discharges.

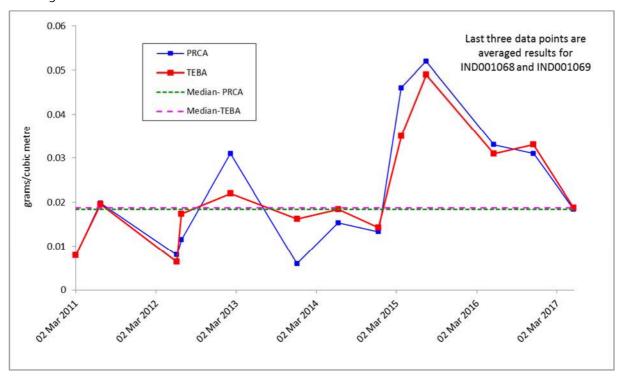


Figure 20 LOSP chemical concentrations in TSM's discharge

PRCA and TEBA were also detected in the receiving water, and the result obtained on 16 November 2016 was found to have reduced form the highest result obtained in the previous period.

It was found that the concentrations of the other effluent components monitored were generally within the ranges of previously reported results with most of the parameters being similar to or below the median values.

Tributyltin tin was not detected in the discharge or the Mangaone Stream water during the monitoring period.

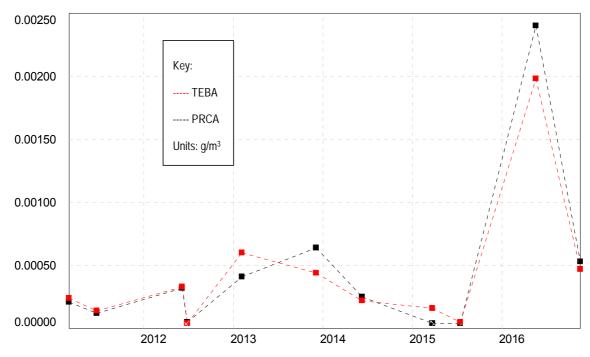


Figure 21 Tebuconazole and Propiconazole concentrations downstream of TSM's discharge (site MGO000145)

# 13.3.3. Sediment sampling

During the period under review Council undertook triennial sediment sampling in the Mangaone Stream. These samples were analysed for LOSP residues, organo-tin residues, and, copper, chromium and arsenic. The results are given in Table 55.

Table 55 Results of sediment sampling in the Mangaone Stream

Parameter	Units	MGO00054 u/s TSM	MGO00145 immediately downstream TSM	MGO000150 300 m d/s TSM	ANZSECC sediment guidelines (low-trigger)
IPBC	mg/kg	<0.5	0.7	0.7	-
Arsenic Total	mg/kg	<2	37	7	20
Chromium	mg/kg	18	103	16	80
Copper	mg/kg	29	121	63	65
Dibutyltin	mg/kg	< 0.005	< 0.005	0.017	-
Monobutyltin	mg/kg	< 0.007	< 0.007	<0.007	-
Permethrin	mg/kg	<0.03	<0.04	<0.03	-
PRCA	mg/kg	<0.06	< 0.09	<0.06	-
TEBA	mg/kg	<0.09	<0.13	<0.08	-
Tributyltin	mg/kg	<0.004	<0.004	0.03	0.005
Triphenyltin	mg/kg	< 0.003	< 0.003	<0.003	-
Zinc	mg/kg	82	185	136	200

With exception of copper, Arsenic (Total) and Chromium at site MGO00145 all metal concentrations met ANZSECC low- trigger guideline. Tributyltin was detected at one site (MGO000150) and this was above the ANZECC trigger value and elevated when compared to previous results. Biomonitoring at site MGO000150 has noted a decline in MCI scores at this site over the past four surveys, however the most recent survey has indicated a recovery.

# 13.3.4. Investigations, interventions, and incidents

In the period under review, the Council was not required to undertake significant additional investigations and interventions, or record incidents, in association with TSM's conditions in resource consents or provisions in Regional Plans.

# 13.4. Discussion

# 13.4.1. Discussion of site performance

Housekeeping at the site was considered to be good during the period under review. No significant issues were noted during inspections. It was noted that TEBA and PRCA concentrations in the discharge and receiving waters had decreased from the previous monitoring period. Tributyltin was not detected in the discharge or receiving water, however it was found in the sediment downstream of the site's discharge point.

Monitoring found that the remediation previously undertaken at the site to control the discharge of tributyltin from historical activities at the site continued to be effective.

## 13.4.2. Environmental effects of exercise of consent

Concentrations of tributyltin in the receiving water and sediment in the Mangaone Stream have in the previous period been found above the guideline values given in the Australian and New Zealand Guidelines for Fresh and Marine Water Quality (October 2000). It was considered that these high levels may have accounted for some of the changes seen in the macroinvertebrate communities during biomonitoring surveys. During this period sediment sampling also detected elevated levels of tributyltin at site MGO000150 which may have been contributing to a recent drop in MCI scores at that site. It is noted however that there has been a slight recovery of scores in this monitoring period.

During the period under review, tributyltin was not detected in the water column downstream of the TSM discharge at site MG000145. Two of the replacement treatment chemicals (PRCA and/or TEBA) now in use were found to be present in the stream with concentrations similar to historical medians.

In terms of effects of these fungicides in the stream, the European Chemical Agency Risk Assessment Committee<sup>3</sup> found that, for chronic toxicity, TEBA had 'no observable effect concentrations' (NOEC's) of between 1 g/m<sup>3</sup> and 0.01 g/m<sup>3</sup> (for various species of fish and invertebrates). Similar NOEC's have also been noted for PRCA<sup>4</sup>. Under this criteria the elevated instream levels of 0.00024 g/m<sup>3</sup> for TEBA and 0.00198 g/m<sup>3</sup> for PRCA would be below the NOEC values, though not necessarily desirable. Historically instream values for these chemicals are in the 0.0001 to 0.0005 g/m<sup>3</sup> range and this is reflected in the most recent sample taken (after this reporting period).

New Zealand's only instream limit for these chemicals are the environmental exposure limits (EEL) for products containing these active ingredients as set down by the New Zealand Environmental Protection Agency (NZEPA-formerly ERMA) under HSNO legislation. BTW Company Ltd (acting as TSM's consultant) identified<sup>5</sup> that the appropriate EEL's for the product used by TSM as 0.00024 g/m³ for TEBA and 0.0001 g/m³ for PRCA. Whilst these are regularly exceeded in the downstream site (MGO000145) the values found are usually within comparable ranges (0.0001 g/m³ to 0.0006 g/m³).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> European Chemical Agency Risk Assessment Committee (2013): Annex 1Background document to the Opinion proposing harmonised classification and labelling at Community level of Tebuconazole

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> Cawthron Institute (2013): Report 2357 Ecotoxicity review of 26 pesticides.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Document #3413412 Correspondence from BTW " Re: Taranaki Sawmills Ltd Stormwater discharge Katere Road Consent 3491-2"

Based on the empirical NOEC values it is assessed that the levels of TEBA and PRCA found in the Mangaone Stream are not likely to be having significant effects on aquatic life.

# 13.4.3. Evaluation of performance

A tabular summary of the TSM's compliance record for the period under review is set out in Table 56.

Table 56 Summary of performance for TSM's consent 3491-2

	Condition requirement	Means of monitoring during period under review	Compliance achieved?
1.	Adoption of best practicable option	Inspection and discussion with consent holder	Yes
2.	Exercise of consent in accordance with application information	Inspection and discussion with consent holder	Yes
3.	Adherence to Timber Treatment Best Practice Guideline	Inspection and discussion with consent holder	Yes
4.	Bunding to meet HSNO requirements by 31 March 2007	Inspection and discussion with consent holder	Yes
5.	Limits stormwater catchment area	Site inspections	Yes
6.	Limit on daily wastewater discharge volume of 12,000 L/day	Discussion at inspection. Discharge directed to sewer	Yes
7.	Concentration limits upon potential contaminants in discharge	Chemical sampling	Yes
8.	Discharge cannot cause specified adverse effects beyond mixing zone	Visual assessment at inspection and receiving water sampling, and biomonitoring	Decreases in MCI value noted downstream potentially related to LOSP discharges and o TBT sediment residues
9.	Limit on pH effects beyond the mix zone	Chemical sampling of the discharge and receiving water	Yes
10.	Limits on temperature effects and filtered carbonaceous biochemical oxygen demand (FCBOD) beyond mix zone	Chemical sampling of the discharge and receiving water, and recording the temperatures at the time of sampling	Yes
11.	Investigation into specific biocide levels in discharge and receiving environment	Condition met previously	N/A
12.	Investigation into dissolved copper levels in discharge and receiving environment	Condition met previously	N/A

Purpose: To discharge cooling water, wastewater and stormwater into the Mangaone Stream					
Condition requirement	Means of monitoring during period under review	Compliance achieved?			
13. Report on investigations to be received by 30 August 2007	Report received 30 August 2007	N/A			
14. Maintain and prepare contingency plan	Reviewed plan received January 2013	Yes			
15. Provision for consent to lapse if not exercised	Consent exercised	N/A			
16. Provision for review re effects	No further opportunities for review	N/A			
17. Provision for review if amendments to HSNO regulations or Timber Treatment Guidelines	N/A	N/A			
Overall assessment of consent compliance of this consent Overall assessment of administrative perfor	Good High				

During the period under review, Taranaki Sawmills Ltd demonstrated a good level of environmental performance and high level of administrative performance and compliance with the resource consents as defined in Section 1.1.5 in relation to its site on Katere Road.

# 13.4.4. Recommendation from the 2015-2016 Annual Report

In the 2015-2016 Annual Report it was recommended:

1. THAT monitoring programme for discharges from Taranaki Sawmills Ltd in the 2016-2017 period continue at a similar level as that undertaken in the 2015-2016 period.

This recommendation was implemented in the 2016-2017 monitoring period.

# 13.4.5. Alterations to monitoring programmes for 2017-2018

In designing and implementing the monitoring programmes for air/water discharges in the region, the Council has taken into account:

- the extent of information already made available through monitoring or other means to date;
- its relevance under the RMA;
- the Council's obligations to monitor consented activities and their effects under the RMA;
- the record of administrative and environmental performances of the consent holder; and
- reporting to the regional community.

The Council also takes into account the scope of assessments required at the time of renewal of permits, and the need to maintain a sound understanding of industrial processes within Taranaki exercising resource consents.

It is proposed that for 2017-2018, the programme remains similar to that undertaken in the 2016-2017 period. A recommendation to this effect is attached to this report.

It should be noted that the proposed programme represents a reasonable and risk-based level of monitoring for the site(s) in question. The Council reserves the right to subsequently adjust the programme from that initially prepared, should the need arise if potential or actual non-compliance is determined at any time during 2017-2018.

# 13.5. Recommendation

- 1. THAT in the first instance, monitoring programme for discharges from Taranaki Sawmills Ltd in the 2017-2018 period continue at a similar level as that undertaken in the 2016-2017 period.
- 2. THAT should there be issues with environmental or administrative performance in 2017-2018, monitoring may be adjusted to reflect any additional investigation or intervention as found necessary.

# 14. Technix Group Ltd

# 14.1. Process description

The engineering complex of Technix Group Ltd (Technix) is the largest industrial site along the lower Waiwhakaiho River. Situated on the true right bank of the river immediately above its confluence with the Mangaone Stream, the 8.4 ha area of land is bounded by Rifle Range Road, Vickers Road, State Highway 3, and the Mangaone Stream. The development comprises several building complexes, roading and drainage systems.

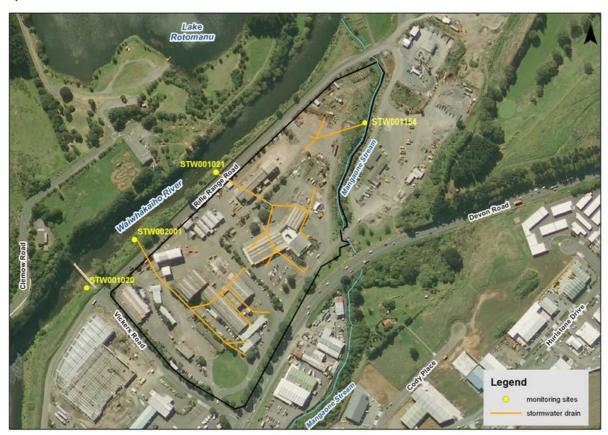


Figure 22 Technix site, drainage system and sampling point locations

Technix Group leases buildings on the site to several tenant companies carrying out a range of activities.

The ground surface cover varies from bitumen seal to gravel to grass. There is a large sealed bitumen area in the northern part of the site that was once used as a truck stop.

Stormwater discharges from the site at four main points, three to the Waiwhakaiho River and one to the Mangaone Stream.

The original consented discharges were; the two discharges to the Waiwhakaiho River from the central areas of the site, and the one to the Mangaone Stream from the eastern area of the site. The other, previously unlicensed, discharge occurs from the western area of the site to the Waiwhakaiho River down Vickers Road, which also serves commercial properties on the opposite side of the road. This discharge point was included in NPDC's consent 5163-2 when it was renewed on 20 November 2007. Also during the 2007-2008 year, prior to the expiry of the consent held for the discharges to the Mangaone Stream (2230), Council concluded that the activity in this area had become a permitted activity under Rule 23 of the RFWP (which became operative in 2001) provided the conditions of Rule 23 continued to be adhered to by Technix. Council therefore did not require that this consent was renewed.

In terms of activities with the potential for environmental effects is concerned, contaminants may be discharged to land during the day-to-day activities on the sites. These contaminants may enter water, as at some point in time (i.e. when it rains), the contaminants become entrained in stormwater along with contaminants that may be washed off equipment stored in the yard, and the stormwater is then discharged to the Waiwhakaiho River or Mangaone Stream.

The buildings and land-use in the areas owned by Technix include:

- Staff offices and facilities;
- Workshops (machining, plate and general);
- Dangerous goods storage;
- Liquid oxygen tanks;
- Blast and paint storage and
- Blasting and painting sheds (until February 2014).

Contaminants that may be present on the site include:

- Grease and oils (e.g. diesel, petrol, lubricants and hydraulic oils);
- Metals (ferrous and non-ferrous);
- Paint;
- General workshop contaminants (e.g. welding, cuttings and grinding) and
- Garnet and blasting debris (until February 2014).

The stormwater area for consent 0291 covers the centre section of the site. The stormwater networks run around the perimeter of the building before running under FEGL property and into Waiwhakaiho River via a stormwater drain (STW001021). There are multiple sumps along this system to collect any stormwater. The feed pipes have an internal diameter of 150 mm and the discharge pipe has an internal diameter of 225 mm.

This site also has a truck wash bay, currently if the truck wash is used the valve joining the truck wash and stormwater network is closed. Once the cleaning is finished the user must clean the truck wash, including emptying the separator pits, before opening the valve to allow stormwater to enter the network from the truck wash.

The western area of the site collects the stormwater in a series of pipes ranging between 100 mm and 200 mm in diameter. These pipes discharge onto either Vickers or Rifle Range Road and enter NPDC's stormwater network (which discharges into the Waiwhakaiho River).

The northern area of the site is primarily used as a storage yard, with any stormwater collected discharging via a 375 mm concrete stormwater pipe into the Mangaone Stream.

As Technix leases sections within the multiple areas of its site, the specific type of contaminants can change depending on which business leases the section. Technix makes all tenants aware of the stormwater resource consent, the conditions of the consent, and the spill contingency plan.

# 14.2. Water discharge permits

Discharge permit 0291 was originally granted on 1 May 1996 to discharge up to 426 litres per second of stormwater, including treated truck wash water, from a Rifle Range Road site into the Waiwhakaiho River for a period until 1 June 2014. This was renewed during the current monitoring period with consent 0291-3, to discharge stormwater from an industrial site into the Waiwhakaiho River, issued by the Council under Section 87(e) of the RMA on 24 October 2014. It is due to expire on 1 June 2032.

Technix now holds consent 9981-1 to discharge stormwater from an industrial site into the Waiwhakaiho River. This was issued by the Council under Section 87(e) of the RMA on 24 October 2014 and it is due to expire on 1 June 2032.

Technix now also holds consent 9982-1 to discharge stormwater from an industrial site into the Mangaone Stream. This was issued by the Council under Section 87(e) of the RMA on 24 October 2014 and it is due to expire on 1 June 2032.

Consents 9981-1, 9982-1 and 0291-3 have the standard special conditions as set out in section 1.2. Consent 0291-3 also has a condition prohibiting discharge from the truck wash to the stormwater network.

#### 14.3. Results

## 14.3.1. Inspections

The site was inspected on four occasions during the monitoring period, 19 December 2016 and 7 June 2017. The site was observed to be tidy during all of the inspections. There were no spills observed and stormwater drains were visually clear of contaminants. It was noted on the inspection of 7 June 2017 that a containment bund needed to be drained of stormwater. The Mangaone Stream and the Waiwhakaiho River were flowing clean and clear. No dust or odours were noted.

# 14.3.2. Results of discharge monitoring

There were three routine sampling points for monitoring of stormwater discharges from Technix's site, all in relation to the Waiwhakaiho River. They were the storm drain outlets at the bottom of Vickers Road where the discharge has combined with a (previously unlicensed) NPDC discharge, opposite FEGL's plate shop (consent 0021), and opposite FEGL's blast and paint shop (consent 0291). The discharge to the Mangaone Stream (consent 9982) was also sampled on this occasion.

#### Opposite FEGL's blast & paint (Consent 0291)

This discharge contains stormwater from both the Technix and FEGL sites. Up until 20 February 2014, this combined discharge was covered solely by consent 0291 held by Technix. The partial transfer of consent to FEGL resulted in the FEGL stormwater being covered by their own consent (9853).

The conditions on stormwater composition on consent 0291 and 9853 for pH range, suspended solids and oil and grease were complied with on each monitoring occasion.

Table 57 Chemical monitoring results for Technix/FEGL stormwater discharge-site STW001021

Parameter	Conductivity @ 20°C	Oil and Grease	рН	Suspended solids	Temperature	Turbidity
Unit	mS/m@20°C	g/m³	рН	g/m³	Deg.C	NTU
Minimum	2.2	0.5	6	2	10.6	6.7
Maximum	24.4	35	7.7	530	23.4	200
Median	6.5	1.3	7.3	37	15	38.5
Number	47	35	47	47	44	24
03 Aug 2016	4.0	0.7	6.9	39	12.7	26
22 Jun 2017	4.5	b	7.3	65	11.4	64
Consent limits	-	15	6-9	100	-	-

**Key:** b parameter not determined, no visible hydrocarbon sheen and no odour

#### Vickers Road discharge (consent 9981-1)

This discharge contains stormwater from the south-western end of the Technix site that discharges via NPDC's stormwater reticulation running along Vickers Road. The discharge also contains stormwater from Vickers Road itself as reported in section 10.

Table 58 Chemical monitoring results for combined Technix/Vickers Road discharge- STW001020

Parameter	Conductivity @ 20°C	Oil and Grease	рН	Suspended solids	Temperature	Turbidity
Unit	mS/m@20°C	g/m³	рН	g/m³	Deg.C	NTU
Minimum	2.3	0.5	6.6	2	10.4	2.7
Maximum	68.1	549	9.3	510	29	160
Median	10.8	1.5	7.3	60	15.6	44
Number	56	49	57	55	59	25
03 Aug 2016	5.3	1.0	7.7	64	11.9	61
22 Jun 2017	3.6	1.0	7.4	64	11.7	54
Consent limits	-	15	6-9	100	-	-

#### Mangaone Stream discharge (consent 9982-1)

This discharge contains stormwater from the north eastern end of the Technix site which is discharged to the Mangaone Stream. Results of discharge sampling for the monitoring period are given in Table 59.

Table 59 Chemical monitoring results for Technix Mangaone discharge-site STW001020

Parameter	BOD	Conductivity @ 20°C	Oil and Grease	рН	Suspended solids	Temp.	Turbidity
Units	g/m³	mS/m	g/m³	рН	g/m³	Deg.C	NTU
Minimum	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Maximum	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Median	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Number	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
12 Oct 2016	9.3	9.0	4.4	6.9	66	16.4	72
Consent limits	-	-	15	6-9	100	-	-

**Key:** b parameter not determined, no visible hydrocarbon sheen and no odour

# 14.4. Investigations, interventions, and incidents

In the period under review, the Council was not required to undertake significant additional investigations and interventions, or record incidents, in association with Technix's conditions in resource consents or provisions in Regional Plans.

# 14.5. Discussion

# 14.5.1. Discussion of site performance

Housekeeping at the site over the monitoring period was generally good, and the bunds were well managed. There were no issues noted during any of the inspections.

The stormwater discharges from the site were found to be compliant with consent conditions on all monitoring occasions.

# 14.5.2. Environmental effects of exercise of consents

There were no adverse environmental effects noted in the receiving environment as a result of Technix discharges.

# 14.5.3. Evaluation of performance

A tabular summary of the consent holder's compliance record for the period under review is set out in Tables 60-62.

Table 60 Summary of performance for Technix's consent 0291-3

Purpose: To discharge stormwater from an industrial site into the Waiwhakaiho River					
	Condition requirement	Means of monitoring during period under review	Compliance achieved?		
1.	Best practicable option to prevent or minimise effects	Chemical sampling	Yes		
2.	Catchment area not to exceed 2.2 ha	Inspections	Yes		
3.	No discharge to stormwater from truck wash after 31 December 2015	Inspections and liaison with consent holder	Yes		
4.	Concentration limits upon potential contaminants in discharge	Chemical sampling	Yes		
5.	Discharge cannot cause specified adverse effects beyond mixing zone	Visual assessment at inspection and receiving water sampling and biomonitoring	Yes		
6.	Prepare and maintain Contingency Plan	Review of documentation. Received. Latest version approved by Council in July 2014	Yes		
7.	Preparation of Stormwater Management Plan	Plan Received	Yes		
8.	Consent holder to notify Council of significant changes to processes or operations	Inspections and liaison with consent holder	Yes		
9.	Provision for review of consent	Next option for review in June 2020	N/A		
this	Overall assessment of consent compliance and environmental performance in respect of this consent  Overall assessment of administrative performance in respect of this consent				

Table 61 Summary of performance for Technix's consent 9981-1

Pui	Purpose: To discharge stormwater from an industrial site into the Waiwhakaiho River					
	Condition requirement	Means of monitoring during period under review	Compliance achieved?			
1.	Best practicable option to prevent or minimise adverse effects	Inspections	Yes			
2.	Catchment area not to exceed 1.8 ha	Inspections	Yes			
3.	Concentration limits upon potential contaminants in discharge	Chemical sampling	Yes			
4.	Discharge cannot cause specified adverse effects beyond mixing zone	Visual assessment at inspection and receiving water sampling and biomonitoring	Yes			
5.	Prepare and maintain Contingency Plan	Review of documentation received. Latest version approved by Council in July 2014	Yes			
6.	Preparation of Stormwater Management Plan	Plan provided	Yes			
7.	Consent holder to notify Council of significant changes to processes or operations	Liaison with consent holder	Yes			
8.	Provision for review of consent	Next option for review in June 2020	N/A			
res	Overall assessment of consent compliance and environmental performance in respect of this consent  Overall assessment of administrative performance in respect of this consent					

Table 62 Summary of performance for Technix's consent 9982-1

Pui	Purpose: To discharge stormwater from an industrial site into the Mangaone Stream					
	Condition requirement	Means of monitoring during period under review	Compliance achieved?			
1.	Best practicable option to prevent or minimise adverse effects	Inspections	Yes			
2.	Catchment area not to exceed 1.3 ha	Inspections	Yes			
3.	Concentration limits upon potential contaminants in discharge	Not assessed this period	N/A			

Pu	Purpose: To discharge stormwater from an industrial site into the Mangaone Stream						
	Condition requirement	Means of monitoring during period under review	Compliance achieved?				
4.	Discharge cannot cause specified adverse effects beyond mixing zone	Visual assessment at inspection and receiving water sampling and biomonitoring	Yes				
5.	Prepare and maintain Contingency Plan	Review of documentation received. Latest version approved by Council in July 2014	Yes				
6.	Preparation of Stormwater Management Plan	Plan received	Yes				
7.	Consent holder to notify Council of significant changes to processes or operations	Liaison with consent holder	Yes				
8.	Provision for review of consent	Next option for review in June 2020	N/A				
of	Overall assessment of consent compliance and environmental performance in respect of this consent  Overall assessment of administrative performance in respect of this consent						

During the period under review, Technix Group Ltd demonstrated a high level of environmental performance and high level of administrative performance and compliance with their resource consents as defined in Section 1.1.5 in relation its sites on Rifle Range Road.

# 14.5.4. Recommendation from the 2015-2016 Annual Report

In the 2015-2016 Annual Report, it was recommended:

1. THAT monitoring of discharges from Technix Group Ltd in the 2016-2017 period continue at a similar level as that undertaken in the 2015-2016 period.

This recommendation was implemented.

#### 14.5.5. Alterations to monitoring programmes for 2017-2018

In designing and implementing the monitoring programmes for air/water discharges in the region, the Council has taken into account:

- the extent of information already made available through monitoring or other means to date;
- its relevance under the RMA;
- the Council's obligations to monitor consented activities and their effects under the RMA;
- the record of administrative and environmental performances of the consent holder; and
- reporting to the regional community.

The Council also takes into account the scope of assessments required at the time of renewal of permits, and the need to maintain a sound understanding of industrial processes within Taranaki exercising resource consents.

It is proposed that for 2017-2018, the programme remains similar to that undertaken in the 2016-2017 period. A recommendation to this effect is attached to this report.

It should be noted that the proposed programme represents a reasonable and risk-based level of monitoring for the site(s) in question. The Council reserves the right to subsequently adjust the programme

from that initially prepared, should the need arise if potential or actual non-compliance is determined at any time during 2017-2018.

# 14.6. Recommendation

- 1. THAT in the first instance, monitoring of discharges from Technix Group Ltd in the 2017-2018 period continue at a similar level as that undertaken in the 2016-2017 period.
- 2. THAT should there be issues with environmental or administrative performance in 2017-2018, monitoring may be adjusted to reflect any additional investigation or intervention as found necessary.

# 15. Investigations, interventions, and incidents

During the monitoring period the Council recorded nine incidents (in addition to these reported so far in this document) in the urban Waiwhakaiho catchment area which was related to discharges or potential discharges to the surface water. The details of these are given below in Table 63.

Table 63 Other incidents recorded in the urban industrial area

Alleged Offender	Date	Request Details
Graham Harris Ltd /Petroleum Solutions Limited /Rosewarne Motors /Spencer Homes	06 Jul 2016	Complaint was received concerning contaminated material at a Cleanfill on Egmont Road, New Plymouth. Abatement notices were issued directing that the contaminated soil be disposed of in compliance with regional rules. Re-inspection found that the abatement notices were being complied with.
GEL Exploration Inc	29 Aug 2016	Concern was raised by NZ Petroleum & Minerals about the current state of the Crusader 1 wellsite, on Mangorei Road, New Plymouth. A visit to the site found that the site had been highly modified since the site was abandoned. The current and previous landowner(s) have been using the site for farm use and have filled in the skimmer pits and one sump with cleanfill. A water sample taken from the remaining sump found chloride levels were 20.2 mg/m³ which is well within the limit set for chloride discharges from well sites and New Zealand drinking water standards. It was concluded that the current state of the well site poses no risk to the environment.
Astron Chemical Corporation Limited	21 Oct 2016	A compliant was received regarding a bunded area used for the mixing of chemicals for pest control purposes which had the ability to discharge to land on Smart Road, New Plymouth. Investigation found that a small bund had been established within a shed used for mixing chemicals associated with pest control. There was potential for a discharge from the bund to occur onto land at the rear of the shed. Inspection found no indication of adverse effects resulting from any discharges. The bund is not currently in use. Further investigation established that there had been no discharges from the system.
Unsourced	28 Dec 2016	Investigation found that glass had been dumped on the reserve and in the river. The responsible party could not be traced and Department of Conservation took responsibility for the clean up.
Waste Management NZ Limited	15 Mar 2017	During unrelated monitoring it was found that a site was not operating within the rules of the Regional Fresh Water Plan for Taranaki on Katere Road, New Plymouth. Investigation found that resource consent was required for the discharge of stormwater from the site. Abatement Notice EAC-21513 was issued requiring compliance with Rule 23 of the Regional Fresh Water Plan for Taranaki. A consent application was received for the site.
Return2Earth	15 Mar 2017	During unrelated monitoring it was found that a site was not operating within the rules of the Regional Fresh Water Plan for Taranaki on Egmont Road, New Plymouth. Investigation found that a resource consent is required for the discharge of stormwater from the site. Abatement Notice EAC-21516 was issued requiring compliance with Rule 23 of the Regional Fresh Water Plan for Taranaki. A consent application was received for the site.
Unsourced	23 May 2017	A complaint was received concerning dead fish floating on Lake Rotomanu, New Plymouth. Investigation found small dead salt water fish near the bank of the lake. It was likely that the fish were dumped in the lake as a method of disposal. No environmental effects were likely as they were being eaten by other fish species in the lake

Alleged Offender	Date	Request Details
Mathew Wright	14 Jun 2017	A complaint was received concerning chemical overspray at a property at Bishop Road, New Plymouth Investigation was unable to verify the cause or source of the problem
New Plymouth District Council	29 Jun 2017 07:00 PM	Self-notification was received concerning a discharge of sewage from blocked drain at Glenpark Ave, New Plymouth. Investigation found that a minor amount of sewage had discharged to nearby stormwater drain. NPDC's contingency plan was followed and signs were erected. No environmental effects were found in the nearby waterbody

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# Surface receiving water quality

# 16.1. Chemical analyses

The results of chemical analysis of the receiving water for the period under review are given in Table 64, Table 65, Table 66 and Table 67. Monitoring locations are shown in Figure 1.

#### 16.1.1. Waiwhakaiho River

The lower Waiwhakaiho River was sampled at four points under wet weather (discharge monitoring) and three points under dry weather (groundwater monitoring) conditions:

- Merrilands Domain (site code WKH000800): At the riffle just upstream of the swimming area in
  the Waiwhakaiho River at the Merrilands Domain, about 5.4 km from the coast. This is the upstream,
  or control site with respect to NPDC's Burton Street stormwater discharge.
- **Constance Street (site code WKH000920)**: At the first bend below Devon Road bridge, about 2.6 km from the river mouth. This is the upstream, or control site, with respect to monitoring discharges to the lower Waiwhakaiho River from New Plymouth industrial area including the groundwater discharge from the Bewley Road landfill.
- Opposite Firth's (site code WKH000925): On the eastern side, upstream of the site of the old concrete ford opposite Firth Industries, about 540 metres below Constance Street and 280 metres below the confluence with McLeod's Drain. This was effectively the lower mixing zone boundary for the discharge from McLeod's Drain (consent 3138), which serves the largest catchment in the Fitzroy area, including the fertiliser depot (consent 3140) and rail yard (consent 1735). The ford was removed in April 1997 as part of flood protection works.
- Above Mangaone (site code WKH000942): Immediately above the confluence with the Mangaone
  Stream and any tidal saline influence, beside the eastern bank opposite Lake Rotomanu, about 1,300
  metres from the river mouth. This is the downstream monitoring site for discharges from Firth
  (consent 0392), FEGL (consent 0021 and 9853), and the Technix operations along Rifle Range Road
  (consents 0291 and 9981).

#### 16.1.1.1. Wet weather surveys

With the exception of a very minor increases in the concentration of ammoniacal nitrogen (and its conjugate species unionised ammonia) and turbidity, there was no discernible trend of increasing contaminant concentrations between the up and downstream receiving waters (Table 64).

The highest concentrations of ammoniacal nitrogen and unionised ammonia were well below ANZECC trigger guideline of 0.9 g/m<sup>3</sup> and the RFWP guideline of 0.025 g/m<sup>3</sup>.

All instream levels of dissolved reactive phosphorous both up and downstream of the industrial area were found to be below the 0.15-0.03 g/m<sup>3</sup> range that may support algal growths.

Table 64 Results of wet weather chemical monitoring of lower Waiwhakaiho River

Parameter		Merrilands Domain	Constance Street	Opposite Firth's (Ford)	Above Mangaone Confluence
3 August 2016		WKH000800	WKH000920	WKH000925	WKH000942
Time	NZST	08:05	09:50	10:35	11:05
Conductivity	mS/m@20°C	9.1	9.1	9.1	9
DRP	g/m³ P	0.015	0.014	0.015	0.015
Fluoride	g/m³	-	<0.01	<0.01	<0.01
Un-ionised ammonia	g/m³	0.00013	0.00014	0.00018	0.00013
Ammoniacal nitrogen	g/m³ N	0.017	0.012	0.023	0.021
Nitrite/Nitrate	g/m³ N	-	0.63	-	0.6
рН		7.5	7.7	7.5	7.4
Suspended solids	g/m³	2	2	2	7
Temperature	Deg.C	10.6	10.8	10.9	11.1
Turbidity	NTU	1.3	1.4	1.6	5.1

# 16.1.1.2. Dry weather surveys

The sample results for the dry weather surveys (given in Table 65) show that all of the contaminants analysed for were generally relatively stable through the stretch of the river that was monitored. There were slight variations in the concentrations of ammoniacal nitrogen (and its conjugate species unionised ammonia). However the highest concentrations of ammoniacal nitrogen and unionised ammonia found were well below ANZECC trigger guideline of 0.9 g/m³ and the RFWP guideline of 0.025 g/m³. All results for DRP obtained during the dry weather surveys were below the 0.03-0.15 g/m³ range that may support algal growths.

All other parameters were found to be at acceptable ranges.

Table 65 Results of dry weather chemical monitoring of lower Waiwhakaiho River

Parameter		Waiwhakaiho				
		Constance Street	Opposite Firth's (Ford)	Above Mangaone Confluence		
23 February	2017	WKH000920	WKH000925	WKH000942		
Time	NZST	09:15	09:40	09:55		
Conductivity @20°C	mS/m	12.2	12.3	12.4		
DRP	g/m³ P	0.013	0.003	0.004		
Unionised ammonia	g/m³	0.00013	0.00006	0.0006		
Ammoniacal nitrogen	g/m³ N	0.004	<0.003	0.015		
pH	-	7.94	8	8		
Temperature	Deg.C	17.9	18	18.1		
Turbidity	NTU	1.3	0.98	1.2		
1 June 2017		WKH000920	WKH000925	WKH000942		
Time	NZST	10:25	10:45	11:08		
Conductivity@20°C	mS/m	10.1	10.1	10.2		
DRP	g/m³ P	0.017	0.018	0.019		
Unionised ammonia	g/m³	0.00002	0.00022	-		
Ammoniacal nitrogen	g/m³ N	<0.003	0.018	<0.003		
рН	-	7.8	7.7	7.8		
Temperature	Deg.C	11.2	11.2	-		
Turbidity	NTU	0.33	0.36	1.2		

# 16.1.2. Mangaone Stream

The Mangaone Stream was sampled at up to six points during wet weather and at two points during dry weather.

# 16.1.2.1. Wet weather surveys

The wet weather sites are as follows:

Egmont Road (site code MGO000050): the uppermost site at Egmont Road Bridge.

Downstream of Katere Stores and NPDC (site code MGO000075): a site established in 2007 approximately 10 m downstream of the NPDC mid Katere Road stormwater discharge. This site acts as the downstream site for Katere Stores feedmill and NPDC's stormwater discharge, and as an upstream "control site" for TSM's timber treatment site.

Thirty metres downstream of TSM (site code MGO000145): also established in 2007, this site is at the end of the mix zone specified in TSM's resource consent.

Above Ravensdown (site code MGO000148): a site established in 1996 immediately above the main stormwater drain of Ravensdown's depot (and also above the confluence of the Mangamiro Stream) to enable differentiation of the influence of major tributaries below Egmont Road, particularly the Puremu and

Manganaha Streams which flow through Colson Road landfill, from that of discharges from Ravensdown's site.

Katere Road bridge (site code MGO000153): below the discharge from Ravensdown's depot. This site is at the end of the mixing zone specified in Ravensdown's consent 3865.

Rifle Range Road (site code MGO000190): the bottom site at the Rifle Range Road Bridge, immediately above the Waiwhakaiho confluence and about 50 metres below the discharge point of Downer's site.

The results of this monitoring is given in Table 66.

Table 66 Results of wet weather chemical monitoring of Mangaone Stream 15 November 2016

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Parameter		Egmont Road	D/S Katere Stores and NPDC	D/S Taranaki Sawmills	Above Ravensdown	Katere Road bridge	Rifle Range Road
15 November 20	16	MGO000050	MGO000075	MGO000145	MGO000148	MGO000153	MGO000190
Time	NZST	07:25	08:40	08:55	10:15	10:30	11:40
Arsenic Total	g/m³	-	<0.011	0.0013	-	-	-
Boron	g/m³	-	0.08	0.08	0.08	-	-
BODCF	g/m³	<0.5	0.6	0.5	-	-	-
Conductivity @ 20°C	mS/m	17.1	16.1	16.4	14.5	17.6	14.7
Total chromium	g/m³	-	0.0008	0.00133	-	-	-
Acid soluble copper	g/m³	<0.001	-	-	-	-	0.006
Dissolved copper	g/m³	<0.001	0.002	0.002	0.003	-	0.004
Total copper	g/m³	-	0.0026	0.0024	-	-	-
Dibutyltin (as Sn)	g/m³	-	-	<0.00006	<0.00006	-	-
Dissolved Reactive P	g/m³	0.006	0.023	0.016	0.013	0.329	0.173
IPBC	g/m³	-	<0.0002	<0.0002	-	-	-
Un-ionised ammonia	g/m³	0.00017	0.00124	0.00167	0.00102	0.00443	0.00408
Ammoniacal nitrogen	g/m³ N	0.039	0.292	0.311	0.192	0.831	0.477
Nitrate/nitrite	g/m³ N	-	-	-	0.78	1.04	-
Oil and grease	g/m³	b	<0.5	<0.5	<0.5	b	b
Permethrin	g/m³	-	<0.00002	0.00003	-	-	-
рН	рН	7.1	7.1	7.2	7.2	7.2	7.4
Propiconazole	g/m³	-	0.00008	0.00047	-	-	-
Suspended solids	g/m³	<2	7	6	17	33	15
Tributyltin (as Sn)	g/m³	-	<0.00005	<0.00005	-	-	-
Tebuconazole	g/m³	-	0.00012	0.00053	-	-	-
Temperature	Deg.C	15.3	15.3	15.4	15.3	15.3	15.5
Triphenyltin (as Sn)	g/m³	-	<0.0004	<0.0004	-	-	-

Parameter		Egmont Road	D/S Katere Stores and NPDC	D/S Taranaki Sawmills	Above Ravensdown	Katere Road bridge	Rifle Range Road
15 November 20	15 November 2016		MGO000075	MGO000145	MGO000148	MGO000153	MGO000190
Turbidity	NTU	2.1	6	8.4	15	-	17
Acid soluble zinc	g/m³	<0.005	-	-	-	-	0.038
Dissolved zinc	g/m³	<0.005	0.022	0.023	0.024	-	0.018
Zinc total	g/m³	-	0.031	0.034	-	-	-

The results show that there were downstream increases in the ammoniacal nitrogen and dissolved reactive phosphorus (DRP) concentrations along the stretch of the Mangaone Stream monitored. The longitudinal profile of ammoniacal nitrogen, DRP and turbidity for the wet weather survey in the Mangaone Stream are shown in Figure 23. The median value for each site show that historically, the sites below Ravensdown site and its discharges are elevated when compared to the upstream sites. During this monitoring period the results were either similar or below the historical medians for each site and all results for unionised ammonia were well below the RFWP guideline value of 0.025 g/m³.

DRP was also found to increase at the site downstream of the Ravensdown site, however all values were found to be similar or below the historical medians as DRP concentrations appear have reduced at this site since Ravensdown decommissioned and demolished the rock store. In the event that the site is completely demolished and remediated it is expected that phosphorus levels will improve.

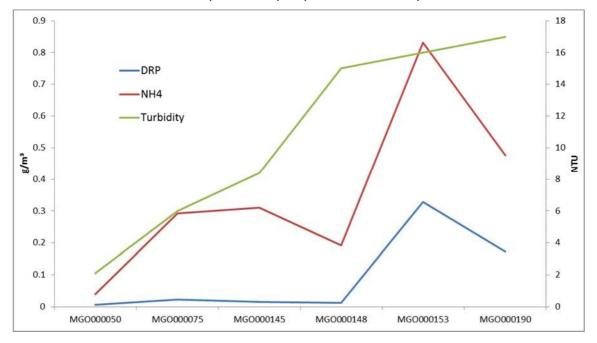


Figure 23 Longitudinal profiles of three parameters in the Mangaone Stream

BODCF concentrations during the monitoring year were also found to be low and within RFWP guideline limits.

Tributyltin was not detected in the water column downstream of the TSM discharge during the monitoring period. Two of the replacement treatment chemicals now in use were found to be present in the stream.

Metal and metalloid concentrations are monitored in the Mangaone Stream to determine what, if any, effects may be occurring due to the discharges from TSM and other industrial discharges. Sources of these

contaminants include (to varying extents), the industrial sites and other non-point sources such as run-off from roads.

There are several guidelines for zinc and copper for assessing water quality in terms of suitability for sustaining aquatic life. The United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA), in defining metals criteria for protection of freshwater aquatic life, has adopted the use of dissolved metals as most closely approximating the bio available fraction of these metals in the water column. Previously, water quality criteria were based on total recoverable metal concentration.

The water quality criteria for dissolved copper and zinc, for water of hardness 50 g/m³ CaCO₃, are 0.005 g/m³ for Cu and 0.058 g/m³ for Zn respectively as a four day average, for chronic (long term) exposure. The corresponding criteria for acute (four-hour) exposure are 0.007 g/m³ for Cu and 0.064 g/m³ for Zn. Acute criteria only are applicable to wet weather sampling results, whereas both chronic and acute exposure criteria are applicable to dry weather sampling results.

Both the dissolved copper and dissolved zinc levels in the Mangaone Stream were found to be at or below the acute and chronic toxicity concentration given by the USEPA at all sites at the time of all of the surveys during the period under review.

Increases in total arsenic and total chromium were noted to be occurring at the site below TSM's discharges (MGO000145), however these were found to be below the ANZECC 95% trigger value (for arsenic) and DWSNZ for total chromium.

Low level analyses for zinc and copper were also performed on samples taken at the Egmont Road site to monitor the effects of stormwater discharged upstream of the industries monitored under this programme, from McKechnie Aluminium Solutions Ltd as part of their compliance monitoring programme. It is noted that historically, copper and brass were also processed at this site. The results are shown in Table 67.

Table 67 Results of chemical monitoring of the Mangaone Stream at Egmont Road for McKechnie Aluminum Solutions Ltd compliance monitoring-site MGO000050

Parameter	Conductivity @ 20°C	Copper Acid Soluble	Copper Dissolved	рН	Suspended solids	Zinc Acid Soluble	Zinc Dissolved
Units	mS/m	g/m³	g/m³	рН	g/m³	g/m³	g/m³
Minimum	11.5	0.001	0.001	6.6	1	0.003	0.004
Maximum	23	0.06	0.02	7.5	710	0.072	0.027
Median	17.7	0.005	0.001	7.1	8	0.004	0.002
Number	98	76	83	98	97	74	71
15 Jul 2016 (wet)	18.0	<0.01	<0.001	7.1	7	<0.005	<0.005
15 Nov 2016 (wet)	17.1	<0.001	<0.001	7.1	<2	<0.005	<0.005
27 Feb 2017 (dry)	18.5	<0.01	<0.001	7.3	2	<0.005	<0.005
17 May 2017 (wet)	14.4	<0.01	0.001	6.9	18	<0.005	<0.005

On these monitoring occasions, the copper and zinc concentrations in the receiving water were found not to be elevated in the Mangaone Stream upstream of the industries monitored in the Lower Waiwhakaiho Catchment Monitoring Programme.

#### 16.1.2.2. Dry weather surveys

During the period under review dry weather monitoring was undertaken in the Mangaone Stream in conjunction with monitoring of the groundwater in the vicinity of the Ravensdown site (Section 13.3.2.3). The two sites monitored were MGO000151, approximately 20 m downstream of the Ravensdown rear drain,

and MGO000155, approximately 15 m downstream of the Katere Road Bridge. As this monitoring is predominantly carried out to assess potential effects from the Ravensdown store, the full results of these surveys are reported in Section 13.3.2.3.

Due to elevations in the ammoniacal nitrogen concentration observed in a Ravensdown bore on Katere Road, this is the parameter of primary interest here and Figure 24 shows the trends in ammoniacal nitrogen concentrations at the upstream and downstream sites.

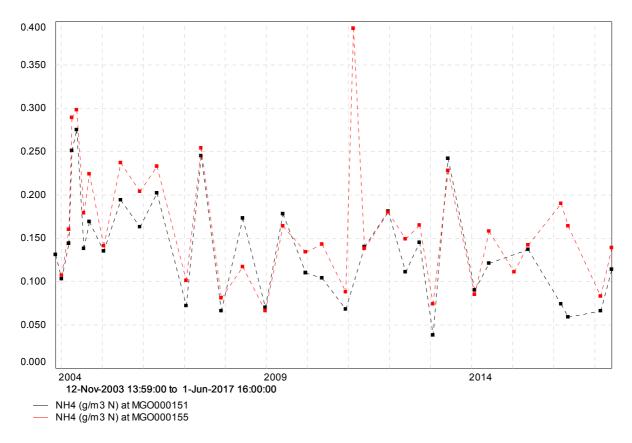


Figure 24 Mangaone Stream ammoniacal nitrogen concentrations in the vicinity of the Ravensdown site under dry weather conditions 2010-2017

Dry weather monitoring shows that, for the most part, the ammoniacal nitrogen of the downstream site was higher than the upstream site to varying degrees.

The increases observed during these dry weather conditions are not considered to be sufficient to cause significant adverse environmental effects during dry weather, however biomonitoring inspections have found that periphyton cover in the Mangaone Stream generally increases downstream of the Ravensdown site.

Aquatic macrophytes were common at the stream margins at the top and bottom sites and in the stream at the three middle sites.

# 16.2. Freshwater biomonitoring programme

# 16.2.1. Macroinvertebrate surveys

Surveys of benthic macroinvertebrates and microflora in the lower Waiwhakaiho River and/or Mangaone Stream were carried out on 15 February 2017 and 27 April 2017. Three sites in the Waiwhakaiho River and five sites in the Mangaone Stream were sampled. The sites monitored are shown in Figure 3 and described

in Table 68. Full copies of the biomonitoring reports are given in Appendix III. A summary of discussion and conclusions of each survey is given below.

The reports both conclude that the results from the surveys indicate that the discharges from the Fitzroy industrial areas were not having a significant effect on the macroinvertebrate communities in the Waiwhakaiho River. The reports also both conclude that the results from the Mangaone Stream indicate the possible effects of groundwater contamination in the vicinity of Ravensdown, however that an overall degradation of the macroinvertebrate community index (MCI) scores persist as one moves downstream through the industrial area. Noted also is the successive deterioration in MCI scores found at site MGO000150 (site 14) which may potentially indicate effects from the presence of LOSP chemicals and metals entering the stream.

Table 68 Biomonitoring sites in the Lower Waiwhakaiho River and the Mangaone Stream

Site No	Site Code	Location
7	WKH000920	Waiwhakaiho River, Constance Street
8	WKH000927	Waiwhakaiho River, below Firth industries, west (left) bank
13	WKH000950	Waiwhakaiho River, final riffle downstream of Lake Rotomanu
12	MGO000050	Mangaone Stream, Egmont Road
16	MGO000054	Mangaone Stream, 20m d/s of Manganaha Stream confluence
14	MGO000150	Mangaone Stream, 300m d/s confluence with Puremu Stream
15	MGO000155	Mangaone Stream, 100m d/s fertiliser works
11	MGO000190	Mangaone Stream, Rifle Range Road

#### 16.2.1.1. Macroinvertebrate survey of 15 February 2017

The Council's standard 'kick sampling' and 'sweep-net' sampling techniques were used to collect streambed macroinvertebrates at five sites in the Mangaone Stream and three sites in the Waiwhakaiho River on 15 February 2017, in order to assess whether discharges from the Lower Waiwhakaiho industrial area had had any adverse effects on the macroinvertebrate communities of these streams. Samples were processed to provide number of taxa (richness), MCI and SQMCI<sub>S</sub> scores for each site.

The MCI is a measure of the overall sensitivity of the macroinvertebrate community to the effects of organic pollution in stony streams. It is based on the presence/absence of taxa with varying degrees of sensitivity to environmental conditions. The SQMCI<sub>S</sub> takes into account taxa abundances as well as sensitivity to pollution. It may indicate subtle changes in communities, and therefore be the more relevant index if non-organic impacts are occurring. Significant differences in either the MCI or SQMCI<sub>S</sub> between sites indicate the degree of adverse effects (if any) of the discharges being monitored.

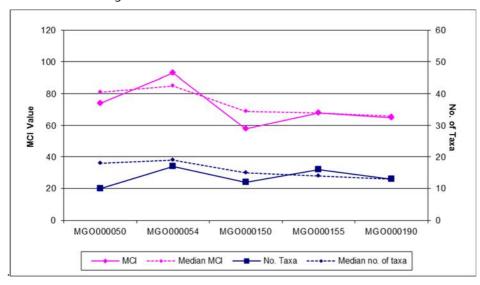
This survey found that all Waiwhakaiho River sampling sites recorded moderate to moderately low community richnesses similar to long term medians for their respective sites though the upper most site had a small decrease of seven taxa compared to the historic median, with a very slight trend of increasing richness in a downstream direction. MCI scores were not significantly (Stark, 1998) different among sites or to historical medians. The SQMCI<sub>S</sub> score at site 7 was significant higher than the historical median and as a result significantly higher than sites 8 and 13 which had typical SQMCI<sub>S</sub> scores. These results did not indicate significant effects of stormwater or wastewater discharges from the Fitzroy industrial area on the macroinvertebrate communities of the Waiwhakaiho River.

The Mangaone Stream sampling sites recorded moderate to moderately low community richnesses similar to long term medians for their respective sites indicating that there had not been significant toxic

discharges occurring. The macroinvertebrate community at site 16 was in the Mangaone Stream was of 'fair' health while the upper most 'control' site and the three most downstream sites were in 'poor' health. MCI scores were significantly different to historical median scores except for 16 which had a significantly higher score.

The SQMCI<sub>S</sub> scores were largely congruent with MCI scores except that the 'control' site was rated as being in 'fair' health instead of 'poor' health. Like previous surveys there was a general decline in macroinvertebrate health in a downstream direction in the Mangaone Stream with the two upper sites in 'fair' health while the three lower sites were in 'poor' health (Stark and Maxted, 2007). However, unlike the MCI scores, the SQMCI<sub>S</sub> scores were significantly higher than historical medians at the three most downstream sites. This was largely due to the lower abundances of several very low scoring taxa that were normally highly abundant at the sites.

Overall, the results indicated that discharges from the industrial area was not having an effect on the macroinvertebrate communities in the lower Waiwhakaiho River but there was evidence that discharges were having a negative effect on macroinvertebrate communities present in the lower Mangaone Stream. Groundwater inputs may have contributed to some of this deterioration recorded immediately downstream of the fertiliser depot but other industries may also be contributing to poor water quality in the lower reaches of the Mangaone Stream.



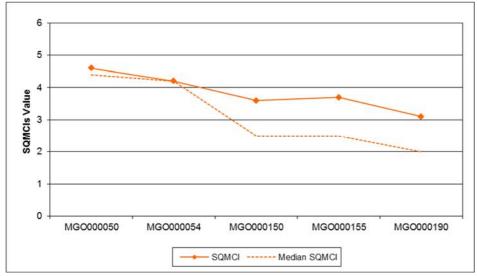


Figure 25 Longitudinal trend in number of taxa, MCI and SQMCIs values in the Mangaone Stream for the survey of 15 February 2016

#### 16.2.1.2. Macroinvertebrate survey of 27 April 2017

The Council's standard 'kick sampling' and 'sweep-net' sampling techniques were used to collect streambed macroinvertebrates at five sites in the Mangaone Stream and three sites in the Waiwhakaiho River on 27 April 2017, in order to assess whether discharges from the Lower Waiwhakaiho Industrial area had had any adverse effects on the macroinvertebrate communities of these streams. Samples were processed to provide number of taxa (richness), MCI and SQMCI<sub>S</sub> scores for each site.

The MCI is a measure of the overall sensitivity of the macroinvertebrate community to the effects of organic pollution in stony streams. It is based on the presence/absence of taxa with varying degrees of sensitivity to environmental conditions. The SQMCI<sub>S</sub> takes into account taxa abundances as well as sensitivity to pollution. It may indicate subtle changes in communities, and therefore be the more relevant index if non-organic impacts are occurring. Significant differences in either the MCI or SQMCI<sub>S</sub> between sites indicate the degree of adverse effects (if any) of the discharges being monitored.

This survey found that all Waiwhakaiho River sampling sites recorded moderate community richnesses similar to long term medians for their respective sites. MCI scores indicated 'fair' health and were typical for the sites though site 8 was a non-significant 10 units higher than its historic median. There was a significant decrease from site 8 to 13 of 12 units. This was a direct result of the higher than usually score at site 8. The community composition at site 8 had only two 'highly sensitive' species which were both 'rare' which biased results and therefore it was unlikely that a real deterioration in water quality occurred. Furthermore, the SQMCI<sub>S</sub> scores were not significantly different among the three sites or to their respective historic medians indicating typical results with no deterioration in water quality.

The MCI scores for all the Mangaone Stream sites indicated that the macroinvertebrate communities were in 'poor' health. Results were not significantly different to historic medians but the two upstream sites did have non-significant decreases (by 7 MCI units). Sedimentation at sites 12 and 16 may have depressed the MCI scores. This was possibly due to cattle causing soil erosion near the stream in the upper catchment as noted in the previous survey. There was widespread periphyton at the lower sites indicative of nutrient enrichment and possibly lack of significant flushing flows.

The SQMCI<sub>s</sub> scores were not significantly different from each other except for site 16. There was a distinct significant decrease of SQMCI<sub>s</sub> score at site 16 compared with the 'control' site score and its historic median. This low score was due to the 'very abundant' highly 'tolerant' oligochaete worms at the site which was possibly due to the increase in silt at the site which oligochaete worms prefer.

Overall, the results indicated that discharges from the industrial area were not having a significant negative effect on the macroinvertebrate communities in the lower Waiwhakaiho River. The Mangaone Stream sites indicated no recent toxic discharges but sedimentation in the upper catchment and nutrient enrichment in the lower catchment was potentially affecting sites in the surveyed reach.

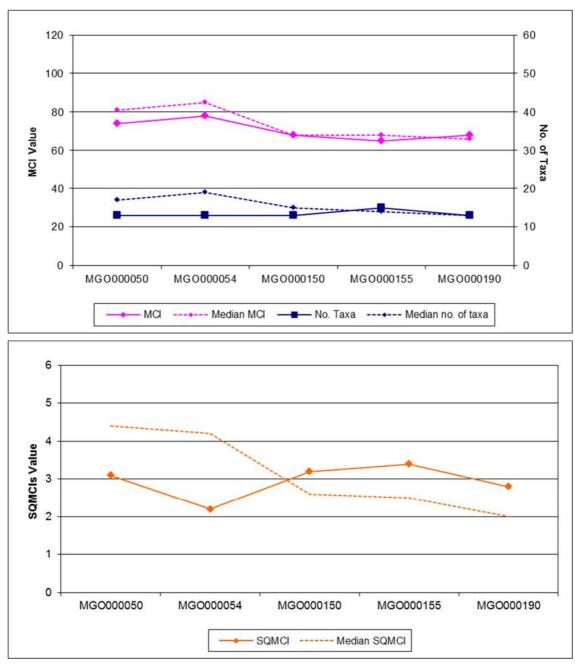


Figure 26 Longitudinal trend in number of taxa, MCI and SQMCIs values in the Mangaone Stream for the survey of 27 April 2017

# 17. Summary of recommendations

- 1. THAT monitoring of discharges from AML Ltd in the 2017-2018 period continue at a similar level as that undertaken in the 2016-2017 period.
- 2. THAT monitoring of discharges from Downer EDI Works Ltd in the 2017-2018 period continue at a similar level as that undertaken in the 2016-2017 period.
- 3. THAT monitoring of discharges from Envirowaste Services Ltd in the 2017-2018 period continue at a similar level to that undertaken in the 2016-2017 period.
- 4. THAT monitoring of discharges from Firth Industries Ltd in the 2017-2018 period continue at a similar level as that undertaken in the 2016-2017 period.
- 5. THAT monitoring of discharges from Fitzroy Engineering Group Ltd in the 2017-2018 period continue at a similar level as that undertaken in the 2016-2017 period.
- 6. THAT the compliance monitoring programme for discharges from Freight and Bulk Transport Holdings Ltd in the 2017-2018 continue at a similar level as that undertaken in the 2016-2017 period.
- 7. THAT monitoring discharges from Katere Stores Ltd in the 2017-2018 period continue at a similar level as that undertaken in the 2016-2017 period.
- 8. THAT monitoring of discharges from Nankervis Family Trust in the 2017-2018 period continue at a similar level as that undertaken in the 2016-2017 period.
- 9. THAT monitoring of discharges from New Plymouth District Council in the 2017-2018 period. continues at similar a level to that undertaken in the 2016-2017 period
- 10. THAT monitoring of discharges from New Zealand Railways Corporation Ltd in the 2017-2018 period remain similar to that undertaken in the 2016-2017 period.
- 11. THAT the option for a review of resource consent 3865-4 in June 2018, as set out in condition 10 of the consent, not be exercised, on the grounds that the current conditions are adequate to deal with any adverse effects on the environment arising from the exercise of this resource consent.
- 12. THAT monitoring of discharges from Ravensdown Fertiliser Co-operative Ltd in the 2017-2018 period continue at a similar level as that undertaken in the 2016-2017 period.
- 13. THAT monitoring programme for discharges from Taranaki Sawmills Ltd in the 2016-2017 period continue at a similar level as that undertaken in the 2015-2016 period.
- 14. THAT monitoring of discharges from Technix Group Ltd in the 2017-2018 period continue at a similar level as that undertaken in the 2016-2017 period.

# Glossary of common terms and abbreviations

The following abbreviations and terms are used within this report:

Al\* Aluminium

As\* Arsenic

Biomonitoring Assessing the health of the environment using aquatic organisms

BOD Biochemical oxygen demand- a measure of the presence of degradable organic

matter, taking into account the biological conversion of ammonia to nitrate

BODF Biochemical oxygen demand of a filtered sample

bund A wall around a tank to contain its contents in the case of a leak

BODCF Filtered carbonaceous biochemical oxygen demand. A measure of the presence of

degradable organic matter in the filtered sample, excluding the biological conversion

of ammonia to nitrate

CCA Copper-chromium-arsenic preparation used for treating timber

cfu Colony forming units. A measure of the concentration of bacteria usually expressed as

per 100 millilitre sample

COD Chemical oxygen demand. A measure of the oxygen required to oxidise all matter in a

sample by chemical reaction

Conductivity Conductivity, an indication of the level of dissolved salts in a sample, usually

measured at 20°C and expressed in mS/m

Cu\* Copper

DO Dissolved oxygen

DRP Dissolved reactive phosphorus

E.coli Escherichia coli, an indicator of the possible presence of faecal material and

pathological micro-organisms. Usually expressed as colony forming units per 100

millilitre sample

EEL An environmental exposure limit (EEL) establishes the maximum concentration of an

ecotoxic substance that is allowable in a particular environmental medium (for example, water, soil or sediment). This includes the deposition of a substance onto

surfaces (for example via spray drift).

Ent Enterococci, an indicator of the possible presence of faecal material and pathological

micro-organisms. Usually expressed as colony forming units per 100 millilitre of

sample

F Fluoride

FC Faecal coliforms, an indicator of the possible presence of faecal material and

pathological micro-organisms. Usually expressed as colony forming units per 100

millilitre sample

Fresh Elevated flow in a stream, such as after heavy rainfall

g/m³ Grams per cubic metre, and equivalent to milligrams per litre (mg/L). In water, this is

also equivalent to parts per million (ppm), but the same does not apply to gaseous

mixtures

IBC Intermediate bulk container, a square 1000L plastic tank, generally encased in a steel

cage.

IPBC lodopropynyl Butyl Carbamate – carbamate based fungicide used for treating timber

Incident An event that is alleged or is found to have occurred that may have actual or

potential environmental consequences or may involve non-compliance with a consent or rule in a regional plan. Registration of an incident by the Council does

not automatically mean such an outcome had actually occurred

potential or actual environmental consequences that may represent a breach of a

consent or provision in a Regional Plan

Intervention Action/s taken by Council to instruct or direct actions be taken to avoid or reduce

the likelihood of an incident occurring

Investigation Action taken by Council to establish what were the circumstances/events

surrounding an incident including any allegations of an incident

L/s Litres per second

LOSP Light organic solvent preservative- a class of wood treatment compounds that include

PRCA, TEBA and IPBC.

MCI Macroinvertebrate community index; a numerical indication of the state of biological

life in a stream that takes into account the sensitivity of the taxa present to organic

pollution in stony habitats

mS/m Millisiemens per metre

Mixing zone The zone below a discharge point where the discharge is not fully mixed with the

receiving environment. For a stream, conventionally taken as a length equivalent to 7

times the width of the stream at the discharge point

NH<sub>4</sub> ammonium, normally expressed in terms of the mass of nitrogen (N)

NH<sub>3</sub> unionised ammonia, normally expressed in terms of the mass of nitrogen (N)

NO<sub>3</sub> nitrate, normally expressed in terms of the mass of nitrogen (N)

NTU Nephelometric Turbidity Unit, a measure of the turbidity of water

NZEPA New Zealand Environmental Protection Agency

O&G Oil and grease, defined as anything that will dissolve into a particular organic solvent

(e.g. hexane). May include both animal material (fats) and mineral matter

(hydrocarbons)

pH A numerical system for measuring acidity in solutions, with 7 as neutral. Numbers

lower than 7 are increasingly acidic and higher than 7 are increasingly alkaline. The scale is logarithmic i.e. a change of 1 represents a ten-fold change in strength. For

example, a pH of 4 is ten times more acidic than a pH of 5

Physicochemical Measurement of both physical properties (e.g. temperature, clarity, density) and

chemical determinants (e.g. metals and nutrients) to characterise the state of an

environment

PM<sub>10</sub> Relatively fine airborne particles (less than 10 micrometre diameter)

PRCA Propiconazole- A triazole fungicide used to treat timber

NOEC No Observed Effect Concentration- is the highest concentration of a given

contaminant that does not cause a statistically different effect than the negative

control through statistical hypothesis

Resource consent Refer Section 87 of the RMA. Resource consents include land use consents (refer

Sections 9 and 13 of the RMA), coastal permits (Sections 12, 14 and 15), water permits

(Section 14) and discharge permits (Section 15)

RMA Resource Management Act 1991 and including all subsequent amendments

SS Suspended solids

SQMCI Semi quantitative macroinvertebrate community index;

TEBA Tebuconazole- A triazole fungicide used to treat timber

Temp temperature, measured in °C (degrees Celsius)

Turb turbidity, expressed in NTU

USEPA United States Environmental Protection Agency

Zn\* Zinc

\*an abbreviation for a metal or other analyte may be followed by the letters 'As', to denote the amount of metal recoverable in acidic conditions. This is taken as indicating the total amount of metal that might be solubilised under extreme environmental conditions. The abbreviation may alternatively be followed by the letter 'D', denoting the amount of the metal present in dissolved form rather than in particulate or solid form.

For further information on analytical methods, contact the Council's laboratory.

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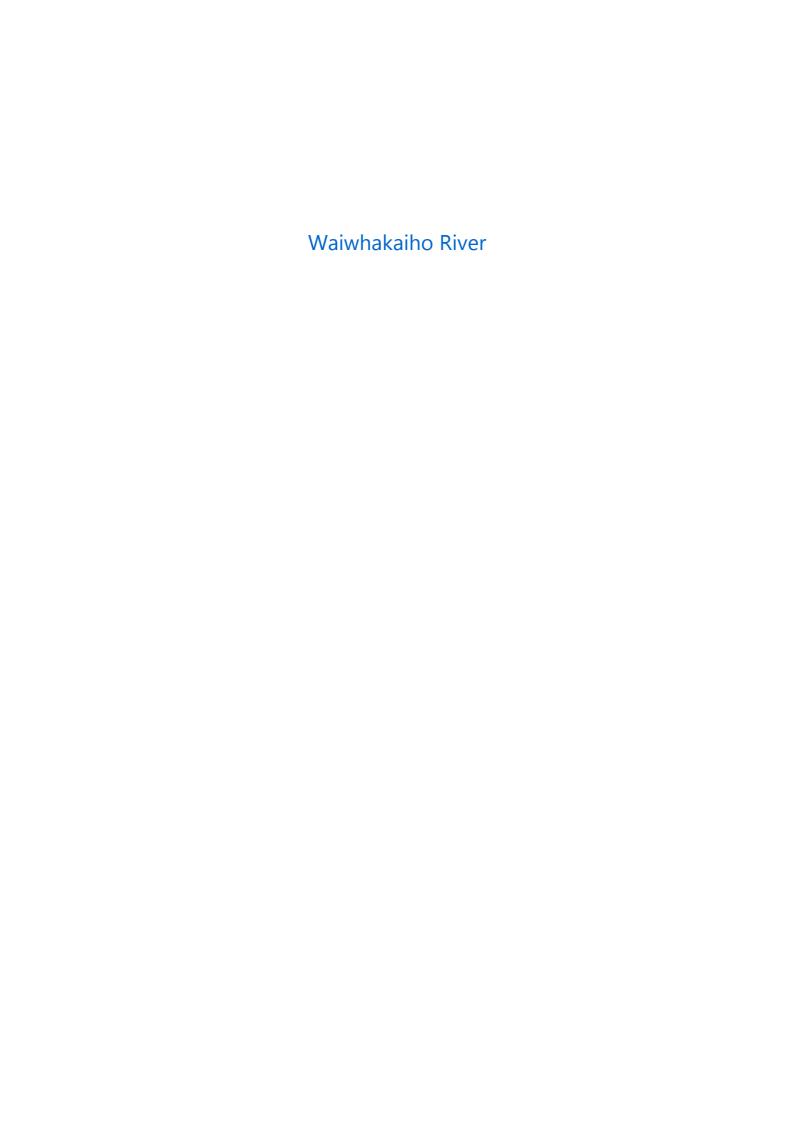
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# Appendix I

# Resource consents to discharge into the lower Waiwhakaiho River and Mangaone Stream catchments in alphabetical order

(For a copy of the signed resource consent please contact the TRC consent department)



Name of Fitzroy Engineering Group Limited

Consent Holder: Private Bag 2053

New Plymouth 4342

Decision Date: 12 March 2015

Commencement Date: 12 March 2015

## **Conditions of Consent**

Consent Granted: To discharge stormwater from an industrial site into the

Waiwhakaiho River

Expiry Date: 1 June 2032

Review Date(s): June 2020, June 2026 and in accordance with special

condition 10

Site Location: 691 Devon Road, Bell Block

Legal Description: Lot 2 DP 470783 (Discharge source & site)

Grid Reference (NZTM) 1696451E-5677694N

Catchment: Waiwhakaiho

a. The consent holder shall pay to the Taranaki Regional Council all the administration, monitoring and supervision costs of this consent, fixed in accordance with section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991.

### **Special conditions**

- 1. The consent holder shall at all times adopt the best practicable option, as defined in section 2 of the Resource Management Act 1991, to prevent or minimise any adverse effects on the environment from the exercise of this consent.
- 2. The stormwater discharged shall be from a catchment area not exceeding 3.3 ha.

Note: For the purpose of this condition the catchment area defined in this condition is a total for resource consent 0021-4.0 and 9853-2.0.

- 3. There shall be no discharge of contaminants from hydrotesting activities into the stormwater network.
- 4. The consent holder shall notify the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council in writing at least 24 hours prior to undertaking any hydrotesting activities outside of the workshop. Notification shall include the location and date of the proposed discharge, and shall be emailed to <a href="worknotification@trc.govt.nz">worknotification@trc.govt.nz</a>.
- 5. Constituents of the discharge shall meet the standards shown in the following table.

<u>Constituent</u>	<u>Standard</u>
pH	Within the range 6.0 to 9.0
suspended solids	Concentration not greater than 100 gm <sup>-3</sup>
oil and grease	Concentration not greater than 15 gm <sup>-3</sup>
chloride	Concentration not greater than 50 gm <sup>-3</sup>

This condition shall apply before entry of the stormwater into the receiving waters at a designated sampling point approved by the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council.

- 6. After allowing for reasonable mixing, within a mixing zone extending 50 metres downstream of the discharge point, the discharge shall not, either by itself or in combination with other discharges, give rise to any or all of the following effects in the receiving water:
  - a) the production of any conspicuous oil or grease films, scums or foams, or floatable or suspended materials;
  - b) any conspicuous change in the colour or visual clarity;
  - c) any emission of objectionable odour;
  - d) the rendering of fresh water unsuitable for consumption by farm animals;
  - e) any significant adverse effects on aquatic life.
- 7. The consent holder consent holder shall maintain and regularly update a 'Contingency Plan' that details measures and procedures to be undertaken to prevent spillage or any discharge of contaminants not authorised by this consent The plan shall be approved by the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, acting in a certification capacity as being adequate to avoid, remedy or mitigate the environmental effects of such an event.

#### Consent 0021-4.0

- 8. The site shall be operated in accordance with a 'Stormwater Management Plan' prepared by the consent holder and approved by the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, acting in a certification capacity. The plan shall detail how the site will be managed to achieve compliance with the conditions of this consent and shall include but not be limited to:
  - a) Identification of sources of contaminants,
  - b) Methods that will practised to ensure contaminants entering stormwater is at a practical minimum,
  - c) Methods that will be practised to ensure contaminants from hydrotesting activities will be prevented from entering stormwater;
  - d) the loading and unloading of materials;
  - e) maintenance of conveyance systems;
  - f) general housekeeping; and
  - g) management of any interceptor system.
- 9. The consent holder shall notify the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, prior to making any changes to the processes or operations undertaken at the site, or the chemicals used or stored on site that could alter the nature of the discharge. Any such change shall then only occur following receipt of any necessary approval under the Resource Management Act. Notification shall include the consent number, a brief description of the activity consented and an assessment of the environmental effects of any changes, and be emailed to <a href="mailto:consents@trc.govt.nz">consents@trc.govt.nz</a>.
- 10. In accordance with section 128 and section 129 of the Resource Management Act 1991, the Taranaki Regional Council may serve notice of its intention to review, amend, delete or add to the conditions of this resource consent by giving notice of review:
  - a) during the month of June 2020 and/or June 2026 and/or
  - b) within 3 months of receiving a notification under special condition 9 above;

for the purpose of ensuring that the conditions are adequate to deal with any adverse effects on the environment arising from the exercise of this resource consent, which were either not foreseen at the time the application was considered or which it was not appropriate to deal with at the time.

For and on behalf of

Signed at Stratford on 12 March 2015

Taranaki Regional Council
A D McLay
Director - Resource Management

Name of Fitzroy Engineering Group Limited

Consent Holder: Private Bag 2053

New Plymouth 4342

Decision Date: 12 March 2015

Commencement Date: 12 March 2015

## **Conditions of Consent**

Consent Granted: To discharge stormwater from an industrial site into the

Waiwhakaiho River

Expiry Date: 01 June 2032

Review Date(s): June 2020, June 2026 and in accordance with special

condition 10

Site Location: 691 Devon Road, Bell Block

Legal Description: Lot 2 DP 470783 (Discharge source & site)

Grid Reference (NZTM) 1696577E-5677800N

Catchment: Waiwhakaiho

a. The consent holder shall pay to the Taranaki Regional Council all the administration, monitoring and supervision costs of this consent, fixed in accordance with section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991.

### **Special conditions**

- 1. The consent holder shall at all times adopt the best practicable option, as defined in section 2 of the Resource Management Act 1991, to prevent or minimise any adverse effects on the environment from the exercise of this consent.
- 2. The stormwater discharged shall be from a catchment area not exceeding 3.3 ha.

Note: For the purpose of this condition the catchment area defined in this condition is a total for resource consent 0021-4.0 and 9853-2.0.

- 3. There shall be no discharge of contaminants from hydrotesting activities into the stormwater network.
- 4. The consent holder shall notify the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council in writing at least 24 hours prior to undertaking any hydrotesting activities outside of the workshop. Notification shall include the location and date of the proposed discharge, and shall be emailed to <a href="worknotification@trc.govt.nz">worknotification@trc.govt.nz</a>.
- 5. Constituents of the discharge shall meet the standards shown in the following table.

<u>Constituent</u>	<u>Standard</u>
pH	Within the range 6.0 to 9.0
suspended solids	Concentration not greater than 100 gm <sup>-3</sup>
oil and grease	Concentration not greater than 15 gm <sup>-3</sup>
chloride	Concentration not greater than 50 gm <sup>-3</sup>

This condition shall apply before entry of the stormwater into the receiving waters at a designated sampling point approved by the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council.

- 6. After allowing for reasonable mixing, within a mixing zone extending 50 metres downstream of the discharge point, the discharge shall not, either by itself or in combination with other discharges, give rise to any or all of the following effects in the receiving water:
  - a) the production of any conspicuous oil or grease films, scums or foams, or floatable or suspended materials;
  - b) any conspicuous change in the colour or visual clarity;
  - c) any emission of objectionable odour;
  - d) the rendering of fresh water unsuitable for consumption by farm animals;
  - e) any significant adverse effects on aquatic life.
- 7. The consent holder consent holder shall maintain and regularly update a 'Contingency Plan' that details measures and procedures to be undertaken to prevent spillage or any discharge of contaminants not authorised by this consent The plan shall be approved by the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, acting in a certification capacity as being adequate to avoid, remedy or mitigate the environmental effects of such an event.

#### Consent 9853-2.0

- 8. The site shall be operated in accordance with a 'Stormwater Management Plan' prepared by the consent holder and approved by the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, acting in a certification capacity. The plan shall detail how the site will be managed to achieve compliance with the conditions of this consent and shall include but not be limited to:
  - a) Identification of sources of contaminants,
  - b) Methods that will practised to ensure contaminants entering stormwater is at a practical minimum,
  - c) Methods that will be practised to ensure contaminants from hydrotesting activities will be prevented from entering stormwater;
  - d) the loading and unloading of materials;
  - e) maintenance of conveyance systems;
  - f) general housekeeping; and
  - g) management of any interceptor system.
- 9. The consent holder shall notify the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, prior to making any changes to the processes or operations undertaken at the site, or the chemicals used or stored on site that could alter the nature of the discharge. Any such change shall then only occur following receipt of any necessary approval under the Resource Management Act. Notification shall include the consent number, a brief description of the activity consented and an assessment of the environmental effects of any changes, and be emailed to <a href="mailto:consents@trc.govt.nz">consents@trc.govt.nz</a>.
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  - a) during the month of June 2020 and/or June 2026 and/or
  - b) within 3 months of receiving a notification under special condition 9 above;

for the purpose of ensuring that the conditions are adequate to deal with any adverse effects on the environment arising from the exercise of this resource consent, which were either not foreseen at the time the application was considered or which it was not appropriate to deal with at the time.

Signed at Stratford on 12 March 2015

For and on behalf of
Taranaki Regional Council
A D McLay
Director - Resource Management

Name of Firth Industries Limited

Consent Holder: PO Box 3122

New Plymouth 4341

Decision Date: 21 July 2015

Commencement Date: 21 July 2015

## **Conditions of Consent**

Consent Granted: To discharge stormwater and treated wastewater into the

Waiwhakaiho River

Expiry Date: 1 June 2032

Review Date(s): June 2020, June 2026 and in accordance with special

condition 10

Site Location: Clemow Road, Fitzroy

Legal Description: Lot 1 DP 10146 Lot 2 DP 15134 & Sec 219 Hua Dist

(Discharge source & site)

Grid Reference (NZTM) 1696258E-5677519N

Catchment: Waiwhakaiho

a. The consent holder shall pay to the Taranaki Regional Council all the administration, monitoring and supervision costs of this consent, fixed in accordance with section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991.

### **Special conditions**

- 1. The consent holder shall at all times adopt the best practicable option, as defined in section 2 of the Resource Management Act 1991, to prevent or minimise any adverse effects on the environment from the exercise of this consent.
- 2. The stormwater discharged shall be from an area not exceeding 1.618 Ha.
- 3. All stormwater shall be directed for treatment through the stormwater treatment system for discharge in accordance with the special conditions of this permit.
- 4. Constituents of the discharge shall meet the standards shown in the following table.

<u>Constituent</u>	<u>Standard</u>
suspended solids	Concentration not greater than 100 gm <sup>-3</sup>
oil and grease	Concentration not greater than 15 gm <sup>-3</sup>

This condition shall apply before entry of the treated stormwater into the receiving waters at a designated sampling point approved by the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council.

- 5. After allowing for reasonable mixing, within a mixing zone extending 50 metres downstream of the discharge point, the discharge shall not, either by itself or in combination with other discharges, give rise to any or all of the following effects in the receiving water:
  - a) the production of any conspicuous oil or grease films, scums or foams, or floatable or suspended materials;
  - b) any conspicuous change in the colour or visual clarity;
  - c) any emission of objectionable odour;
  - d) the rendering of fresh water unsuitable for consumption by farm animals;
  - e) many significant adverse effects on aquatic life;
  - f) a pH of less than 6.0 or greater than 9.0;
  - g) a increase of pH greater than 0.5.
- 6. The consent holder shall maintain and regularly update a 'Contingency Plan' that details measures and procedures that will be undertaken to prevent, and to avoid environmental effects from, a spillage or any discharge of contaminants not authorised by this consent. The plan shall be approved by the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, acting in a certification capacity.

- 7. By 21 October 2015 the consent holder shall prepare an updated 'Management Plan' to be approved by the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, acting in a certification capacity. The plan shall detail how the site is to be managed to minimise the contaminants that become entrained in the stormwater and shall include as minimum:
  - a) the loading and unloading of materials;
  - b) general housekeeping;
  - c) design drawings and specifications for proposed upgrades to the wastewater treatment system and site improvements as set out in pre-design documents submitted in support of application 0392-4.0 by Firth Industries Limited on 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> March 2015:
  - d) a schedule of time frames for the construction and commissioning of proposed wastewater treatment system and site improvements;
  - e) a schedule of inspections and maintenance of wastewater and stormwater treatment systems; and
  - f) any extra stilt controls and stormwater management to be undertaken during construction of the upgrades.
- 8. By 22 February 2016 the consent holder shall undertake site improvements and upgrades to the wastewater treatment system as set out in the management plan required by condition seven. After 22 February 2016 wastewater shall not be included in the stormwater discharge.
- 9. The consent holder shall notify the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, prior to making any changes to the processes or operations undertaken at the site, or the chemicals used or stored on site that could alter the nature of the discharge, site improvement construction, and or change in treatment systems. Any such change shall then only occur following receipt of any necessary approval under the Resource Management Act 1991. Notification shall include the consent number, a brief description of the activity consented and an assessment of the environmental effects of any changes, and be emailed to <a href="mailto:consents@trc.govt.nz">consents@trc.govt.nz</a>.
- 10. In accordance with section 128 and section 129 of the Resource Management Act 1991, the Taranaki Regional Council may serve notice of its intention to review, amend, delete or add to the conditions of this resource consent by giving notice of review:
  - a) during the month of June 2020 and/or June 2026;
  - b) within 3 months of receiving a notification under special condition 9 above;

for the purpose of ensuring that the conditions are adequate to deal with any adverse effects on the environment arising from the exercise of this resource consent, which were either not foreseen at the time the application was considered or which it was not appropriate to deal with at the time.

Signed at Stratford on 21 July 2015

For and on behalf of	
Taranaki Regional Council	
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A D McLay	
Director - Resource Management	

Name of New Plymouth District Council

Consent Holder: Private Bag 2025

New Plymouth 4342

Decision Date: 16 March 2016

Commencement Date: 16 March 2016

## **Conditions of Consent**

Consent Granted: To discharge leachate from a former landfill site into

groundwater, adjacent to the Waiwhakaiho River

Expiry Date: 1 June 2032

Review Date(s): June 2020, June 2026

Site Location: Devon Road, Constance Street/Vickers Road,

New Plymouth

Grid Reference (NZTM) 1696236E-5677324N

Catchment: Waiwhakaiho

a. The consent holder shall pay to the Taranaki Regional Council all the administration, monitoring and supervision costs of this consent, fixed in accordance with section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991.

### **Special conditions**

1. The discharge shall not cause groundwater to breech the standards shown in the following table.

<u>Constituent</u>	<u>Standard</u>
Total Ammonia	Concentration not greater than 25 mg/L
Dissolved reactive phosphorus	Concentration not greater than 0.065 mg/L
pH	Within the range 6.5 to 8.5

- 2. The discharge shall not, either by itself or in combination with other discharges, give rise to any or all of the following effects in the Waiwhakaiho downstream of the sampling site WKH000925:
  - a. the production of any conspicuous oil or grease films, scums or foams, or floatable or suspended materials;
  - b. any conspicuous change in the colour or visual clarity;
  - c. any emission of objectionable odour;
  - d. the rendering of fresh water unsuitable for consumption by farm animals;
  - e. any significant adverse effects on aquatic life;
  - f. a concentration of unionised ammonia greater than 0.0025 g/m<sup>3</sup> -N.
- 3. The consent holder shall ensure that the three piezometers situated at the Bewley Road site are maintained for monitoring purposes (sites GND0548, GND0555, GND0556).
- 4. In accordance with section 128 and section 129 of the Resource Management Act 1991, the Taranaki Regional Council may serve notice of its intention to review, amend, delete or add to the conditions of this resource consent by giving notice of review during the month of June 2020 and/or June 2026, for the purpose of ensuring that the conditions are adequate to deal with any adverse effects on the environment arising from the exercise of this resource consent, which were either not foreseen at the time the application was considered or which it was not appropriate to deal with at the time.

Signed at Stratford on 16 March 2016

For and on benalf of
Taranaki Regional Council
A D McLay
Director - Resource Management

Name of

New Plymouth District Council

Consent Holder: Private Bag 2025

**NEW PLYMOUTH 4342** 

**Consent Granted** 

Date:

10 June 2008

### **Conditions of Consent**

Consent Granted: To discharge stormwater from the Waiwhakaiho industrial

area into the Waiwhakaiho River via multiple outfalls between the State Highway 3 bridge and the confluence

with the Mangaone Stream at or about (NZTM) 1695807E-5676977N, 1695902E-5677235N, 1696113E-5677288N, 1696233E-5677323N, 1696377E-5677616N, 1696472E-5677706N, 1696539E-5677767N, 1696573E-5677800N, 1696611E-5677837N, and 1696683E-5677904N

Expiry Date: 1 June 2026

Review Date(s): June 2010, June 2014, June 2020

Site Location: Rifle Range Road, New Plymouth

Legal Description: Various

Catchment: Waiwhakaiho

- a) On receipt of a requirement from the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council the consent holder shall, within the time specified in the requirement, supply the information required relating to the exercise of this consent.
- b) Unless it is otherwise specified in the conditions of this consent, compliance with any monitoring requirement imposed by this consent must be at the consent holder's own expense.
- c) The consent holder shall pay to the Council all required administrative charges fixed by the Council pursuant to section 36 in relation to:
  - i) the administration, monitoring and supervision of this consent; and
  - ii) charges authorised by regulations.

### **Special conditions**

- 1. The consent holder shall at all times adopt the best practicable option, as defined in section 2 of the Resource Management Act 1991, to prevent or minimise any adverse effects on the environment from the exercise of this consent.
- 2. The consent holder shall prevent, where possible, or mitigate any erosion occurring as a result of the exercise of this consent.
- 3. After allowing for reasonable mixing, within a mixing zone extending 50 metres downstream of the discharge point, the discharge shall not, either by itself or in combination with other discharges, give rise to any or all of the following effects in the Waiwhakaiho River:
  - a) the production of any conspicuous oil or grease films, scums or foams, or floatable or suspended materials;
  - b) any conspicuous change in the colour or visual clarity;
  - c) any emission of objectionable odour;
  - d) the rendering of fresh water unsuitable for consumption by farm animals;
  - e) any significant adverse effects on aquatic life.

## Consent 5163-2

4. In accordance with section 128 and section 129 of the Resource Management Act 1991, the Taranaki Regional Council may serve notice of its intention to review, amend, delete or add to the conditions of this resource consent by giving notice of review during the month of June 2010 and/or June 2014 and/or June 2020, for the purpose of ensuring that the conditions are adequate to deal with any adverse effects on the environment arising from the exercise of this resource consent, which were either not foreseen at the time the application was considered or which it was not appropriate to deal with at the time.

Signed at Stratford on 10 June 2008

For and on behalf of	
Taranaki Regional Council	
Director-Resource Management	-

Name of KiwiRail Holdings Limited

Consent Holder: PO Box 593

Wellington 6140

Decision Date: 31 March 2017

Commencement Date: 31 March 2017

## **Conditions of Consent**

Consent Granted: To discharge stormwater into the Waiwhakaiho River

Expiry Date: 1 June 2026

Review Date(s): June 2020 and in accordance with special condition 8

Site Location: Smart Road, New Plymouth

Grid Reference (NZTM) 1696090E-5677290N

Catchment: Waiwhakaiho

a. The consent holder shall pay to the Taranaki Regional Council all the administration, monitoring and supervision costs of this consent, fixed in accordance with section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991.

## **Special conditions**

- 1. The consent holder shall at all times adopt the best practicable option, as defined in section 2 of the Resource Management Act 1991, to prevent or minimise any adverse effects on the environment from the exercise of this consent.
- 2. The stormwater discharged shall be from an area not exceeding 4.8 hectares.
- 3. Constituents in the discharge shall meet the standards shown in the following table:

Constituent	Standard
pH	Within the range 6.0 to 9.0
Suspended solids	Concentration not greater than 100 gm <sup>-3</sup>
Oil and grease	Concentration not greater than 15 gm <sup>-3</sup>
Ammoniacal nitrogen	Concentration not greater than 3 gm-3
Dissolved reactive phosphate	Concentration not greater than 1 gm-3

This condition shall apply prior to the entry of the treated stormwater into the receiving waters at a designated sampling point approved by the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council.

- 4. That after allowing for reasonable mixing, within a mixing zone extending 100 metres downstream of the discharge point, the discharge shall not, either by itself or in combination with other discharges, give rise to any of the following effects in the receiving waters:
  - a) the production of any conspicuous oil or grease films, scums or foams, or floatable or suspended materials;
  - b) any conspicuous change in the colour or visual clarity;
  - c) any emission of objectionable odour;
  - d) the rendering of fresh water unsuitable for consumption by farm animals;
  - e) any significant adverse effects on aquatic life, habitats or ecology.
- 5. That the consent holder shall maintain a contingency plan, to the satisfaction of the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, outlining measures and procedures to be undertaken to prevent spillage or accidental discharge of contaminants, and the procedures to be carried out should such a spillage occur.

#### Consent 3528-3.0

- 6. The consent holder shall operate in accordance with a 'Management Plan' prepared by the consent holder and approved by the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, acting in a certification capacity. The plan shall detail how the site is to be managed to minimise the contaminants that become entrained in the stormwater and shall include as minimum:
  - a) the loading and unloading of materials;
  - b) maintenance of leased property;
  - c) general housekeeping; and
  - d) management of the interceptor system.

Note: A Stormwater Management Plan template is available in the Environment section of the Taranaki Regional Council's web site <u>www.trc.govt.nz</u>.

- 7. The consent holder shall notify the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, prior to making any changes to the processes or operations undertaken at the site that could alter the nature of the discharge. Any such change shall then only occur following receipt of any necessary approval under the Resource Management Act 1991. Notification shall include the consent number, a brief description of the activity consented and an assessment of the environmental effects of any changes, and be emailed to <a href="mailto:consents@trc.govt.nz">consents@trc.govt.nz</a>.
- 8. In accordance with section 128 and section 129 of the Resource Management Act 1991, the Taranaki Regional Council may serve notice of its intention to review, amend, delete or add to the conditions of this resource consent by giving notice of review:
  - a) during the month of June 2020;
  - b) within 3 months of receiving a notification under special condition 7 above.

for the purpose of ensuring that the conditions are adequate to deal with any adverse effects on the environment arising from the exercise of this resource consent, which were either not foreseen at the time the application was considered or which it was not appropriate to deal with at the time.

For and on behalf of

Signed at Stratford on 31 March 2017

Taranaki Regional Council
A D McLay
Director - Resource Management

Name of Ravensdown Limited

Consent Holder: PO Box 1049

Christchurch 8140

Decision Date: 3 May 2017

Commencement Date: 3 May 2017

## **Conditions of Consent**

Consent Granted: To discharge stormwater from a fertiliser storage depot onto

and into land and into the Mangaone Stream and into the

Waiwhakaiho River

Expiry Date: 1 June 2026

Review Date(s): Annually during the month of June until 2025 and in

accordance with special condition 10

Site Location: Corner of Devon Road & Smart Road, Glen Avon

Grid Reference (NZTM) 1696554E-5676954N

discharge point 1 (Mangaone Stream)

1696112E-5677289N

discharge point 2 (Waiwhakaiho River)

Catchment: Waiwhakaiho

Tributary: Mangaone

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a. The consent holder shall pay to the Taranaki Regional Council all the administration, monitoring and supervision costs of this consent, fixed in accordance with section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991.

## **Special conditions**

- 1. The consent holder shall at all times adopt the best practicable option, as defined in section 2 of the Resource Management Act 1991, to prevent or minimise any adverse effects on the environment from the exercise of this consent.
- 2. The stormwater discharged shall be from a catchment area not exceeding 7.5 hectares located on land within the yellow boundary as indicated in Appendix 1 of this consent.
- 3. Constituents of the discharge shall meet the standards shown in the following table.

Constituent	<u>Standard</u>
pH	Within the range 6.0 to 9.0
suspended solids	Concentration not greater than 100 gm <sup>-3</sup>
oil and grease	Concentration not greater than 15 gm <sup>-3</sup>
dissolved reactive phosphorus	Concentration not greater than 30 gm <sup>-3</sup>

This condition shall apply at sampling sites IND004002 (NZTM 1696241E-5677096N) and site STW002003 (NZTM1696554E-5676954N).

- 4. After allowing for reasonable mixing, within a mixing zone extending; 10 metres downstream of sampling site STW002003 and 200 metres downstream of site IND004002's final discharge point (at NZTM 1696277E-56773387N), each discharge shall not, either by itself or in combination with other discharges, give rise to any or all of the following effects in the receiving water:
  - a) the production of any conspicuous oil or grease films, scums or foams, or floatable or suspended materials;
  - b) any conspicuous change in the colour or visual clarity;
  - c) any emission of objectionable odour;
  - d) the rendering of fresh water unsuitable for consumption by farm animals;
  - e) any significant adverse effects on aquatic life; and
  - f) an unionised ammonia concentration exceeding 0.025 g/m<sup>3</sup>.
- 5. The consent holder shall maintain and regularly update a 'Contingency Plan' that details measures and procedures that will be undertaken to prevent, and to avoid environmental effects from, a spillage or any discharge of contaminants not authorised by this consent. The plan and any amended versions shall be provided to the Chief Executive of the Taranaki Regional Council.

- 6. The site shall be operated in accordance with a 'Management Plan' prepared by the consent holder and approved by the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, acting in a certification capacity. The plan shall detail how the site is to be managed to minimise the contaminants that become entrained in the stormwater and shall include as minimum:
  - a) the loading and unloading of materials;
  - b) general housekeeping; and
  - c) management of any stormwater treatment systems.

A Stormwater Management Plan template is available in the Environment section of the Taranaki Regional Council's web site <u>www.trc.govt.nz</u>.

7. The consent holder shall maintain groundwater bores listed in the table below in a manner that allows access and sampling.

TRC site code	Easting	Northing
GND1217	1696177	5677046
GND1218	1696238	5677091
GND2346	1696356	5677108
GND0517	1696412	5677149
GND0518	1696297	5676965

8. The consent holder shall maintain reasonable and safe foot access to the following stormwater sampling sites.

TRC site code	Easting	Northing
STW002003	1696554	1696554
IND004002	5676954	5676954

9. The consent holder shall notify the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, prior to making any changes to the processes or operations undertaken at the site, the chemicals used or stored on site, or any development and/or remediation that could alter the nature of the discharge. Any such change shall then only occur following receipt of any necessary approval under the Resource Management Act 1991. Notification shall include the consent number, a brief description of the activity consented and an assessment of the environmental effects of any changes, and be emailed to consents@trc.govt.nz.

### Consent 3865-4.0

- 10. In accordance with section 128 and section 129 of the Resource Management Act 1991, the Taranaki Regional Council may serve notice of its intention to review, amend, delete or add to the conditions of this resource consent by giving notice of review:
  - a) annually during the month of June until 2025;
  - b) within 3 months of receiving a notification under special condition 9 above;

for the purpose of ensuring that the conditions are adequate to deal with any adverse effects on the environment arising from the exercise of this resource consent, which were either not foreseen at the time the application was considered or which it was not appropriate to deal with at the time.

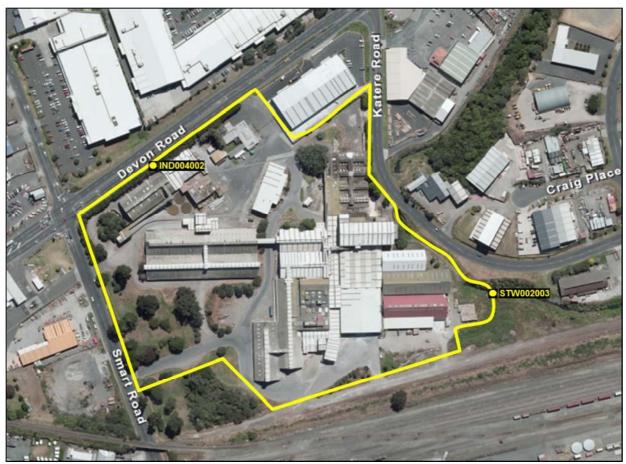
Signed at Stratford on 3 May 2017

For and on behalf of Taranaki Regional Council

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**Director - Resource Management** 



Appendix 1. Area showing stormwater catchment area permitted by this consent

Name of Technix Group Limited

Consent Holder: Private Bag 2222

New Plymouth 4342

Decision Date: 24 October 2014

Commencement Date: 24 October 2014

## **Conditions of Consent**

Consent Granted: To discharge stormwater from an industrial site into the

Mangaone Stream

Expiry Date: 01 June 2032

Review Date(s): June 2020, June 2026 and in accordance with special

condition 8

Site Location: 691 Devon Road, Bell Block

Legal Description: Lot 1 DP 20360 (Discharge source & site)

Grid Reference (NZTM) 1696748E-5677890N

Catchment: Waiwhakaiho

Tributary: Mangaone

a. The consent holder shall pay to the Taranaki Regional Council all the administration, monitoring and supervision costs of this consent, fixed in accordance with section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991.

## **Special conditions**

- 1. The consent holder shall at all times adopt the best practicable option, as defined in section 2 of the Resource Management Act 1991, to prevent or minimise any adverse effects on the environment from the exercise of this consent.
- 2. The stormwater discharged shall be from a catchment area not exceeding 1.3 ha.
- 3. Constituents of the discharge shall meet the standards shown in the following table.

Constituent	<u>Standard</u>
pH	Within the range 6.0 to 9.0
suspended solids	Concentration not greater than 100 gm <sup>-3</sup>
oil and grease	Concentration not greater than 15 gm <sup>-3</sup>
chloride	Concentration not greater than 50 gm <sup>-3</sup>

This condition shall apply before entry of the treated stormwater into the receiving waters at a designated sampling point approved by the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council.

- 4. After allowing for reasonable mixing, within a mixing zone extending 25 metres downstream of the discharge point, the discharge shall not, either by itself or in combination with other discharges, give rise to any or all of the following effects in the receiving water:
  - a) the production of any conspicuous oil or grease films, scums or foams, or floatable or suspended materials;
  - b) any conspicuous change in the colour or visual clarity;
  - c) any emission of objectionable odour;
  - d) the rendering of fresh water unsuitable for consumption by farm animals;
  - e) any significant adverse effects on aquatic life.
- 5. The consent holder shall maintain and regularly update a 'Contingency Plan' that details measures and procedures that will be undertaken to prevent, and to avoid environmental effects from, a spillage or any discharge of contaminants not authorised by this consent. The plan shall be approved by the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, acting in a certification capacity.

- 6. Within three months of the granting of this consent, the site shall be operated in accordance with a 'Stormwater Management Plan' prepared by the consent holder and approved by the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, acting in a certification capacity. The plan shall detail how the site will be managed to achieve compliance with the conditions of this consent and shall include as a minimum:
  - a) identification of sources of contaminants,
  - b) methods that will practised to ensure contaminants entering stormwater is at a practical minimum,
  - c) the loading and unloading of materials;
  - d) maintenance of conveyance systems;
  - e) general housekeeping; and
  - f) management of the interceptor system.
- 7. The consent holder shall notify the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, prior to making any changes to the processes or operations undertaken at the site, or the chemicals used or stored on site that could alter the nature of the discharge. Any such change shall then only occur following receipt of any necessary approval under the Resource Management Act. Notification shall include the consent number, a brief description of the activity consented and an assessment of the environmental effects of any changes, and be emailed to <a href="mailto:consents@trc.govt.nz">consents@trc.govt.nz</a>.
- 8. In accordance with section 128 and section 129 of the Resource Management Act 1991, the Taranaki Regional Council may serve notice of its intention to review, amend, delete or add to the conditions of this resource consent by giving notice of review:
  - a) during the month of June 2020 and/or 2026 and/or
  - b) within 3 months of receiving a notification under special condition 7 above and/or
  - c) within 3 months of receiving the Stormwater Management Plan under special condition 6 above

for the purpose of ensuring that the conditions are adequate to deal with any adverse effects on the environment arising from the exercise of this resource consent, which were either not foreseen at the time the application was considered or which it was not appropriate to deal with at the time.

Signed at Stratford on 24 October 2014

For and on behalf of Taranaki Regional Council

A D McLay

**Director - Resource Management** 

Name of Technix Group Limited

Consent Holder: Private Bag 2222

New Plymouth 4342

Decision Date: 24 October 2014

Commencement Date: 24 October 2014

## **Conditions of Consent**

Consent Granted: To discharge stormwater from an industrial site into the

Waiwhakaiho River

Expiry Date: 01 June 2032

Review Date(s): June 2020, June 2026 and in accordance with special

condition 9

Site Location: 691 Devon Road, Bell Block

Legal Description: Lot 2 DP 20360 (Discharge source & site)

Grid Reference (NZTM) 1696623E-5677733N

Catchment: Waiwhakaiho

a. The consent holder shall pay to the Taranaki Regional Council all the administration, monitoring and supervision costs of this consent, fixed in accordance with section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991.

### **Special conditions**

- 1. The consent holder shall at all times adopt the best practicable option, as defined in section 2 of the Resource Management Act 1991, to prevent or minimise any adverse effects on the environment from the exercise of this consent.
- 2. The stormwater discharged shall be from a catchment area not exceeding 2.2 ha.
- 3. After 31 December 2015 there shall be no discharge from the truckwash to the stormwater network.
- 4. Constituents of the discharge shall meet the standards shown in the following table.

<u>Constituent</u>	<u>Standard</u>
pH	Within the range 6.0 to 9.0
suspended solids	Concentration not greater than 100 gm <sup>-3</sup>
oil and grease	Concentration not greater than 15 gm <sup>-3</sup>
chloride	Concentration not greater than 50 gm <sup>-3</sup>

This condition shall apply before entry of the treated stormwater into the receiving waters at a designated sampling point approved by the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council.

- 5. After allowing for reasonable mixing, within a mixing zone extending 50 metres downstream of the discharge point, the discharge shall not, either by itself or in combination with other discharges, give rise to any or all of the following effects in the receiving water:
  - a) the production of any conspicuous oil or grease films, scums or foams, or floatable or suspended materials;
  - b) any conspicuous change in the colour or visual clarity;
  - c) any emission of objectionable odour;
  - d) the rendering of fresh water unsuitable for consumption by farm animals;
  - e) any significant adverse effects on aquatic life.
- 6. The consent holder shall maintain and regularly update a 'Contingency Plan' that details measures and procedures that will be undertaken to prevent, and to avoid environmental effects from, a spillage or any discharge of contaminants not authorised by this consent. The plan shall be approved by the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, acting in a certification capacity.

- 7. Within three months of the granting of this consent, the site shall be operated in accordance with a 'Stormwater Management Plan' prepared by the consent holder and approved by the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, acting in a certification capacity. The plan shall detail how the site will be managed to achieve compliance with the conditions of this consent and shall include as a minimum:
  - a) identification of sources of contaminants,
  - b) methods that will practised to ensure contaminants entering stormwater is at a practical minimum,
  - c) the loading and unloading of materials;
  - d) maintenance of conveyance systems;
  - e) general housekeeping; and
  - f) management of the interceptor system.
- 8. The consent holder shall notify the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, prior to making any changes to the processes or operations undertaken at the site, or the chemicals used or stored on site that could alter the nature of the discharge. Any such change shall then only occur following receipt of any necessary approval under the Resource Management Act 1991. Notification shall include the consent number, a brief description of the activity consented and an assessment of the environmental effects of any changes, and be emailed to <a href="mailto:consents@trc.govt.nz">consents@trc.govt.nz</a>.
- 9. In accordance with section 128 and section 129 of the Resource Management Act 1991, the Taranaki Regional Council may serve notice of its intention to review, amend, delete or add to the conditions of this resource consent by giving notice of review:
  - a) during the month of June 2020 and/or 2026 and/or
  - b) within 3 months of receiving a notification under special condition 8 above and/or
  - c) within 3 months of receiving the Stormwater Management Plan under special condition 7 above.

for the purpose of ensuring that the conditions are adequate to deal with any adverse effects on the environment arising from the exercise of this resource consent, which were either not foreseen at the time the application was considered or which it was not appropriate to deal with at the time.

Signed at Stratford on 24 October 2014

For and on behalf of Taranaki Regional Council

A D McLay

**Director - Resource Management** 

Name of Technix Group Limited

Consent Holder: Private Bag 2222

New Plymouth 4342

Decision Date: 24 October 2014

Commencement Date: 24 October 2014

## **Conditions of Consent**

Consent Granted: To discharge stormwater from an industrial site into the

Waiwhakaiho River

Expiry Date: 01 June 2032

Review Date(s): June 2020, June 2026 and in accordance with special

condition 8

Site Location: 691 Devon Road, Bell Block

Legal Description: Lot 1 DP 20360 (Discharge source & site)

Grid Reference (NZTM) 1696449E-5677553N

Catchment: Waiwhakaiho

For General, Standard and Special conditions pertaining to this consent please see reverse side of this document

a. The consent holder shall pay to the Taranaki Regional Council all the administration, monitoring and supervision costs of this consent, fixed in accordance with section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991.

### **Special conditions**

- 1. The consent holder shall at all times adopt the best practicable option, as defined in section 2 of the Resource Management Act 1991, to prevent or minimise any adverse effects on the environment from the exercise of this consent.
- 2. The stormwater discharged shall be from a catchment area not exceeding 1.8 ha.
- 3. Constituents of the discharge shall meet the standards shown in the following table.

<u>Constituent</u>	<u>Standard</u>
pH	Within the range 6.0 to 9.0
suspended solids	Concentration not greater than 100 gm <sup>-3</sup>
oil and grease	Concentration not greater than 15 gm <sup>-3</sup>
chloride	Concentration not greater than 50 gm <sup>-3</sup>

This condition shall apply before entry of the treated stormwater into the receiving waters at a designated sampling point approved by the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council.

- 4. After allowing for reasonable mixing, within a mixing zone extending 50 metres downstream of the discharge point, the discharge shall not, either by itself or in combination with other discharges, give rise to any or all of the following effects in the receiving water:
  - a) the production of any conspicuous oil or grease films, scums or foams, or floatable or suspended materials;
  - b) any conspicuous change in the colour or visual clarity;
  - c) any emission of objectionable odour;
  - d) the rendering of fresh water unsuitable for consumption by farm animals;
  - e) any significant adverse effects on aquatic life.
- 5. The consent holder shall maintain and regularly update a 'Contingency Plan' that details measures and procedures that will be undertaken to prevent, and to avoid environmental effects from, a spillage or any discharge of contaminants not authorised by this consent. The plan shall be approved by the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, acting in a certification capacity.

- 6. Within three months of the granting of this consent, the site shall be operated in accordance with a 'Stormwater Management Plan' prepared by the consent holder and approved by the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, acting in a certification capacity. The plan shall detail how the site will be managed to achieve compliance with the conditions of this consent and shall include as a minimum:
  - a) identification of sources of contaminants,
  - b) methods that will practised to ensure contaminants entering stormwater is at a practical minimum,
  - c) the loading and unloading of materials;
  - d) maintenance of conveyance systems;
  - e) general housekeeping; and
  - f) management of the interceptor system.
- 7. The consent holder shall notify the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, prior to making any changes to the processes or operations undertaken at the site, or the chemicals used or stored on site that could alter the nature of the discharge. Any such change shall then only occur following receipt of any necessary approval under the Resource Management Act 1991. Notification shall include the consent number, a brief description of the activity consented and an assessment of the environmental effects of any changes, and be emailed to consents@trc.govt.nz.
- 8. In accordance with section 128 and section 129 of the Resource Management Act 1991, the Taranaki Regional Council may serve notice of its intention to review, amend, delete or add to the conditions of this resource consent by giving notice of review:
  - a) during the month of June 2020 and/or 2026 and/or
  - b) within 3 months of receiving a notification under special condition 7 above and/or
  - c) within 3 months of receiving the Stormwater Management Plan under special condition 6 above

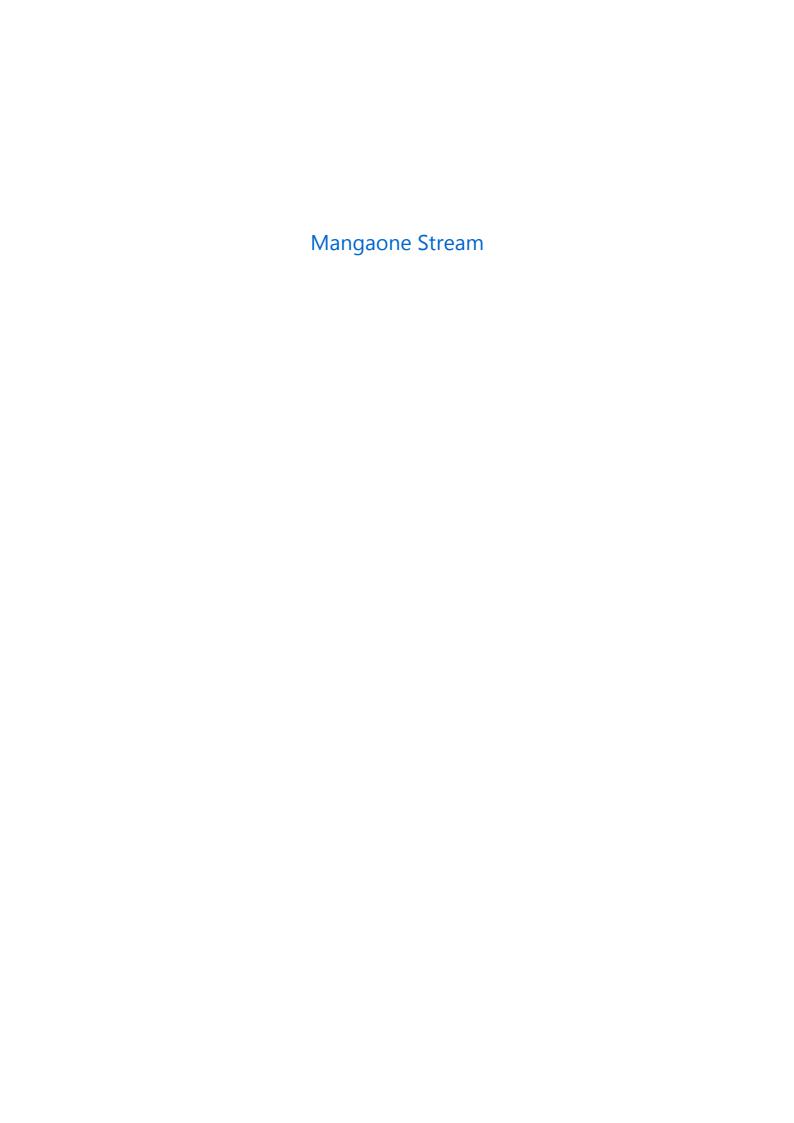
for the purpose of ensuring that the conditions are adequate to deal with any adverse effects on the environment arising from the exercise of this resource consent, which were either not foreseen at the time the application was considered or which it was not appropriate to deal with at the time.

Signed at Stratford on 24 October 2014

For and on behalf of Taranaki Regional Council

A D McLay

**Director - Resource Management** 



Name of AML Limited [Trading as Allied Concrete]

Consent Holder: P O Box 3318

**NEW PLYMOUTH** 

**Consent Granted** 

Date:

30 July 2008

## **Conditions of Consent**

Consent Granted: To discharge stormwater and treated wastewater from

truck washing at a concrete batching plant into the Mangaone Stream in the Waiwhakaiho catchment at or

about (NZTM) 1696910E-5677375N

Expiry Date: 1 June 2026

Review Date(s): June 2014, June 2020 and/or within 3 months of receiving

a notification under special condition 9

Site Location: 67 Hurlstone Drive, Bell Block

Legal Description: Lot 1 DP 17583 Blk II Paritutu SD

Catchment: Waiwhakaiho

Tributary: Mangaone

- a) On receipt of a requirement from the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council the consent holder shall, within the time specified in the requirement, supply the information required relating to the exercise of this consent.
- b) Unless it is otherwise specified in the conditions of this consent, compliance with any monitoring requirement imposed by this consent must be at the consent holder's own expense.
- c) The consent holder shall pay to the Council all required administrative charges fixed by the Council pursuant to section 36 in relation to:
  - i) the administration, monitoring and supervision of this consent; and
  - ii) charges authorised by regulations.

### **Special conditions**

- 1. Notwithstanding any conditions within this consent, the consent holder shall at all times adopt the best practicable option, as defined in section 2 of the Resource Management Act 1991, to prevent or minimise any adverse effects on the environment from the exercise of this consent.
- 2. The maximum stormwater catchment area shall be no more than 5880 m<sup>2</sup>.
- 3. Any above ground hazardous substances storage areas shall be bunded with drainage to the wastewater treatment system, and not directly to the stormwater catchment.
- 4. Concentrations of the following components shall not be exceeded in the discharge:

Component	Concentration
suspended solids	$100 \text{ g/m}^3$
oil and grease	$15 \text{ g/m}^3$

This condition shall apply prior to the entry of the stormwater and wastewater into the receiving waters, at a designated sampling point approved by the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council.

- 5. After allowing for reasonable mixing, within a mixing zone extending 50 metres downstream of the discharge point, the discharge shall not, either by itself or in combination with other discharges, give rise to any or all of the following effects in the Mangaone Stream:
  - a) the production of any conspicuous oil or grease films, scums or foams, or floatable or suspended materials;
  - b) any conspicuous change in the colour or visual clarity;
  - c) any emission of objectionable odour;
  - d) the rendering of fresh water unsuitable for consumption by farm animals;
  - e) any significant adverse effects on aquatic life.

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- 6. After allowing for reasonable mixing, within a mixing zone extending 50 metres downstream of the discharge point, the discharge shall not, either by itself or in combination with other discharges, give rise to an increase in pH of greater than 0.5, or a pH outside the range of 6.0 to 8.0 within the receiving waters of the Mangaone Stream.
- 7. The consent holder shall maintain, and adhere to, a contingency plan detailing measures and procedures to be undertaken to prevent spillage or accidental discharge of contaminants not licensed by this consent, and measures to avoid, remedy or mitigate the environmental effects of such a spillage or discharge.
- 8. Within three months of the granting of this consent, the consent holder shall prepare and maintain an operation and management plan. This plan shall be adhered to at all times and shall, to the satisfaction of the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, document how the site is to be managed in order to minimise the contaminants that become entrained in the stormwater. The plan shall include but not necessarily be limited to:
  - a) the loading, unloading and storage of materials;
  - b) maintenance of conveyance systems;
  - c) general housekeeping; and
  - d) management of the wastewater treatment system.
- 9. The consent holder shall notify the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, prior to making any changes in the processes undertaken at the site, or the chemicals used or stored on site, which could alter the nature of the discharge. Notification shall include the consent number, a brief description of the activity consented and an assessment of the environmental effects of any changes, and be emailed to <a href="www.worknotification@trc.govt.nz">worknotification@trc.govt.nz</a>. Notification by fax or post is acceptable if the consent holder does not have access to email.
- 10. In accordance with section 128 and section 129 of the Resource Management Act 1991, the Taranaki Regional Council may serve notice of its intention to review, amend, delete or add to the conditions of this resource consent by giving notice of review:
  - a) during the month of June 2014 and/or June 2020; and/or
  - b) within 3 months of receiving a notification under special condition 9 above,

for the purpose of ensuring that the conditions are adequate to deal with any adverse effects on the environment arising from the exercise of this resource consent, which were either not foreseen at the time the application was considered or which it was not appropriate to deal with at the time.

Signed at Stratford on 30 July 2008

For and on behalf of Taranaki Regional Council

Director-Resource Management	

Name of Downer EDI Works Limited

Consent Holder: PO Box 272

New Plymouth 4340

Decision Date: 20 May 2015

Commencement Date: 20 May 2015

## **Conditions of Consent**

Consent Granted: To discharge treated stormwater and minor amounts

of treated air scrubber waste water from an asphalt manufacturing plant onto land and into the Mangaone

Stream

Expiry Date: 1 June 2032

Review Date(s): June 2020, June 2026 and in accordance with special

condition 8

Site Location: Rifle Range Road, New Plymouth

Legal Description: Sec 4 SO 436795 (Discharge source & site)

Grid Reference (NZTM) 1696712E-5677949N

Catchment: Waiwhakaiho

Tributary: Mangaone

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a. The consent holder shall pay to the Taranaki Regional Council all the administration, monitoring and supervision costs of this consent, fixed in accordance with section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991.

### **Special conditions**

- 1. The consent holder shall at all times adopt the best practicable option, as defined in section 2 of the Resource Management Act 1991, to prevent or minimise any adverse effects on the environment from the exercise of this consent.
- 2. The stormwater discharged shall be from a catchment area not exceeding 6.5 Ha.
- 3. Constituents of the discharge shall meet the standards shown in the following table.

<u>Constituent</u>	<u>Standard</u>
pH	Within the range 6.0 to 9.0
suspended solids	Concentration not greater than 100 gm <sup>-3</sup>
total recoverable hydrocarbons	Concentration not greater than 15 gm <sup>-3</sup>

This condition shall apply before entry of the treated stormwater into the receiving waters at a designated sampling point approved by the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council.

- 4. After allowing for reasonable mixing, within a mixing zone extending 25 metres downstream of the discharge point, the discharge shall not, either by itself or in combination with other discharges, give rise to any or all of the following effects in the receiving water:
  - a) the production of any conspicuous oil or grease films, scums or foams, or floatable or suspended materials;
  - b) any conspicuous change in the colour or visual clarity;
  - c) any emission of objectionable odour;
  - d) the rendering of fresh water unsuitable for consumption by farm animals;
  - e) any significant adverse effects on aquatic life.
- 5. The consent holder shall maintain and regularly update a 'Contingency Plan' that details measures and procedures that will be undertaken to prevent, and to avoid environmental effects from, a spillage or any discharge of contaminants not authorised by this consent. The plan shall be approved by the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, acting in a certification capacity.
- 6. The site shall be operated in accordance with a 'Management Plan' prepared by the consent holder and approved by the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, acting in a certification capacity. The plan shall detail how the site is to be managed to minimise the contaminants that become entrained in the stormwater and shall include as a minimum:
  - a) the loading and unloading of materials;
  - b) general housekeeping; and
  - c) management of the treatment systems.

#### Consent 3917-3.0

- 7. The consent holder shall notify the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, prior to making any changes to the processes or operations undertaken at the site, or the chemicals used or stored on site that could alter the nature of the discharge. Any such change shall then only occur following receipt of any necessary approval under the Resource Management Act. Notification shall include the consent number, a brief description of the activity consented and an assessment of the environmental effects of any changes, and be emailed to <a href="mailto:consents@trc.govt.nz">consents@trc.govt.nz</a>.
- 8. In accordance with section 128 and section 129 of the Resource Management Act 1991, the Taranaki Regional Council may serve notice of its intention to review, amend, delete or add to the conditions of this resource consent by giving notice of review:
  - a) during the month of June 2020 and/or June 2026; and/or
  - b) within 3 months of receiving a notification under special condition 7 above;

for the purpose of ensuring that the conditions are adequate to deal with any adverse effects on the environment arising from the exercise of this resource consent, which were either not foreseen at the time the application was considered or which it was not appropriate to deal with at the time.

Signed at Stratford on 20 May 2015

For and on behalf of Taranaki Regional Council

A D McLay

Director - Resource Management

Name of Envirowaste Services Limited

Consent Holder: Private Bag 92810

Penrose

Auckland 1642

Decision Date: 6 May 2015

Commencement Date: 6 May 2015

## **Conditions of Consent**

Consent Granted: To discharge stormwater from an industrial site into the

Puremu Stream and an unnamed tributary of the Mangaone

Stream

Expiry Date: 1 June 2032

Review Date(s): June 2020, June 2026 and in accordance with special

condition 9

Site Location: 31 Colson Road, New Plymouth

Legal Description: Lot 1 DP 3582, Pt Sections 144 and 145 Hua District, Pt Lot 1 DP

2210, Pt Purakau A2 2B, Pt Lot DP 8654, Pt Sections 19 Blk VI

Paritutu SD (Discharge source & site)

Grid Reference (NZTM) 1696639E-5676673N (Discharge point 1)

1696993E-5676758N (Discharge point 2)

Catchment: Waiwhakaiho

Tributary: Puremu

Mangaone

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a. The consent holder shall pay to the Taranaki Regional Council all the administration, monitoring and supervision costs of this consent, fixed in accordance with section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991.

### **Special conditions**

- 1. The consent holder shall at all times adopt the best practicable option, as defined in section 2 of the Resource Management Act 1991, to prevent or minimise any adverse effects on the environment from the exercise of this consent.
- 2. The stormwater discharged shall be from an area not exceeding 4.93 ha and as shown in the attached plan.
- 3. Constituents of the discharge shall meet the standards shown in the following table.

Constituent	Standard
pH	Within the range 6.0 to 9.0
suspended solids	Concentration not greater than 100 gm <sup>-3</sup>
oil and grease	Concentration not greater than 15 gm <sup>-3</sup>

This condition shall apply before entry of the treated stormwater into the receiving waters at a designated sampling point approved by the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council.

- 4. At the point at which the discharge enters the Mangaone Stream, the discharge shall not, either by itself or in combination with other discharges, give rise to any or all of the following effects in the receiving water:
  - a) the production of any conspicuous oil or grease films, scums or foams, or floatable or suspended materials;
  - b) any conspicuous change in the colour or visual clarity;
  - c) any emission of objectionable odour;
  - d) the rendering of fresh water unsuitable for consumption by farm animals;
  - e) any significant adverse effects on aquatic life.
- 5. The consent holder shall maintain and regularly update a 'Contingency Plan' that details measures and procedures that will be undertaken to prevent, and to avoid environmental effects from, a spillage or any discharge of contaminants not authorised by this consent. The plan shall be approved by the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, acting in a certification capacity.
- 6. The site shall be operated in accordance with a 'Management Plan' prepared by the consent holder and approved by the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, acting in a certification capacity. The plan shall detail how the site is to be managed to minimise the contaminants that become entrained in the stormwater and shall include as minimum:
  - a) the loading and unloading of materials;
  - b) general housekeeping; and
  - c) management of the stormwater system.

#### Consent 10109-1.0

- 7. The consent holder shall notify the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, prior to making any changes to the processes or operations undertaken at the site, or the chemicals used or stored on site that could alter the nature of the discharge. Any such change shall then only occur following receipt of any necessary approval under the Resource Management Act. Notification shall include the consent number, a brief description of the activity consented and an assessment of the environmental effects of any changes, and be emailed to <a href="mailto:consents@trc.govt.nz">consents@trc.govt.nz</a>.
- 8. This consent shall lapse on 30 June 2020, unless the consent is given effect to before the end of that period or the Taranaki Regional Council fixes a longer period pursuant to section 125(1)(b) of the Resource Management Act 1991.
- 9. In accordance with section 128 and section 129 of the Resource Management Act 1991, the Taranaki Regional Council may serve notice of its intention to review, amend, delete or add to the conditions of this resource consent by giving notice of review:
  - a) during the month of June 2020 and/or June 2026 and/or
  - b) within 3 months of receiving a notification under special condition 7 above;

for the purpose of ensuring that the conditions are adequate to deal with any adverse effects on the environment arising from the exercise of this resource consent, which were either not foreseen at the time the application was considered or which it was not appropriate to deal with at the time.

Signed at Stratford on 6 May 2015

For and on behalf of Taranaki Regional Council

A D McLay

**Director - Resource Management** 



Figure 1 - Stormwater catchment area permitted by this consent (in yellow)

Name of Freight & Bulk Transport Limited

Consent Holder: PO Box 472

New Plymouth 4340

Decision Date: 5 June 2015

Commencement Date: 5 June 2015

**Conditions of Consent** 

Consent Granted: To discharge treated truck wash water and stormwater onto

and into land

Expiry Date: 1 June 2018

Review Date(s): In accordance with special condition 7

Site Location: 69 Katere Road, New Plymouth

Legal Description: Lot 1 DP 13577 Lot 2 DP 17884 & Sec 184 Hua Dist Blk VI

& Paritutu SD Lot 2 DP 9418 Lot 1 DP 9418

(Discharge source & site)

Grid Reference (NZTM) 1697056E - 5677302N

1697091E - 5677315N

Catchment: Waiwhakaiho

Tributary: Mangaone

For General, Standard and Special conditions pertaining to this consent please see reverse side of this document

a. The consent holder shall pay to the Taranaki Regional Council all the administration, monitoring and supervision costs of this consent, fixed in accordance with section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991.

## **Special conditions**

- 1. The consent holder shall at all times adopt the best practicable option, as defined in section 2 of the Resource Management Act 1991, to prevent or minimise any adverse effects on the environment from the exercise of this consent.
- 2. All truck wash water shall be directed through the treatment system for treatment prior to discharge in accordance with the special conditions of this permit.
- 3. The discharge shall not, either by itself or in combination with other discharges, give rise to any of the following effects in the Mangaone Stream:
  - a) the production of any conspicuous oil or grease films, scums or foams, or floatable or suspended materials;
  - b) any conspicuous change in the colour or visual clarity;
  - c) any emission of objectionable odour;
  - d) the rendering of fresh water unsuitable for consumption by farm animals;
  - e) any significant adverse effects on aquatic life;
  - f) the concentration of unionised ammonia to exceed 0.025 g/m<sup>3</sup>;
  - g) an increase in in the concentration of filtered carbonaceous biochemical oxygen demand of  $2.00~\text{g/m}^3$ .
- 4. The consent holder shall maintain and regularly update a 'Contingency Plan' that details measures and procedures that will be undertaken to prevent, and to avoid environmental effects from, a spillage or any discharge of contaminants not authorised by this consent. The plan shall be approved by the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, acting in a certification capacity.
- 5. The site shall be operated in accordance with a 'Management Plan' prepared by the consent holder and approved by the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, acting in a certification capacity. The plan shall detail how the site is to be managed to minimise the contaminants that become entrained in the stormwater and shall include as minimum:
  - a) the maintenance and management of primary treatment measures;
  - b) the scheduling of sampling and trigger values for desludging the collection sump; and
  - c) general housekeeping.

#### Consent 2041-3.0

- 6. The consent holder shall notify the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, prior to making any changes to the processes or operations undertaken at the site, or the chemicals used or stored on site that could alter the nature of the discharge. Any such change shall then only occur following receipt of any necessary approval under the Resource Management Act. Notification shall include the consent number, a brief description of the activity consented and an assessment of the environmental effects of any changes, and be emailed to <a href="mailto:consents@trc.govt.nz">consents@trc.govt.nz</a>.
- 7. In accordance with section 128 and section 129 of the Resource Management Act 1991, the Taranaki Regional Council may serve notice of its intention to review, amend, delete or add to the conditions of this resource consent by giving notice of review within 3 months of receiving a notification under special condition 0 above; for the purpose of ensuring that the conditions are adequate to deal with any adverse effects on the environment arising from the exercise of this resource consent, which were either not foreseen at the time the application was considered or which it was not appropriate to deal with at the time.

Signed at Stratford on 5 June 2015

For and on behalf of Taranaki Regional Council

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A D McLay

**Director - Resource Management** 

Name of Freight & Bulk Transport Limited

Consent Holder: PO Box 472

New Plymouth 4340

Decision Date: 5 June 2015

Commencement Date: 5 June 2015

## **Conditions of Consent**

Consent Granted: To discharge stormwater onto and into land and into the

Mangaone Stream

Expiry Date: 1 June 2032

Review Date(s): June 2020, June 2026 and in accordance with special

condition 9

Site Location: 69 Katere Road, New Plymouth

Legal Description: Lot 1 DP 13577 Lot 2 DP 17884 & Sec 184 Hua Dist Blk VI

& Paritutu SD & Lot 2 DP 9418 Pt Lot 1 DP 9418

(Discharge source & site)

Grid Reference (NZTM) 1697103E - 5677252N

1697061E - 5677209N 1697033E - 5677144N

Catchment: Waiwhakaiho

Tributary: Mangaone

a. The consent holder shall pay to the Taranaki Regional Council all the administration, monitoring and supervision costs of this consent, fixed in accordance with section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991.

### **Special conditions**

- 1. The consent holder shall at all times adopt the best practicable option, as defined in section 2 of the Resource Management Act 1991, to prevent or minimise any adverse effects on the environment from the exercise of this consent.
- 2. The stormwater discharged shall be from an area not exceeding 1.77 Ha.
- 3. Constituents of the discharge shall meet the standards shown in the following table.

<u>Constituent</u>	<u>Standard</u>
рН	Within the range 6.0 to 9.0
suspended solids	Concentration not greater than 100 gm <sup>-3</sup>
oil and grease	Concentration not greater than 15 gm <sup>-3</sup>
carbonaceous biochemical oxygen demand	Concentration not greater than 15 gm <sup>-3</sup>

This condition shall apply before entry of the treated stormwater into the receiving waters at a designated sampling points approved by the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council.

- 4. After allowing for reasonable mixing, within a mixing zone extending 30 metres downstream of the discharge point, the discharge shall not, either by itself or in combination with other discharges, give rise to any or all of the following effects in Mangaone Stream:
  - a) the production of any conspicuous oil or grease films, scums or foams, or floatable or suspended materials;
  - b) any conspicuous change in the colour or visual clarity;
  - c) any emission of objectionable odour;
  - d) the rendering of fresh water unsuitable for consumption by farm animals;
  - e) any significant adverse effects on aquatic life; and
  - f) an unionised ammonia concentration of greater the  $0.025 \text{ g/m}^3\text{-N}$ .
- 5. The consent holder shall maintain and regularly update a 'Contingency Plan' that details measures and procedures that will be undertaken to prevent, and to avoid environmental effects from, a spillage or any discharge of contaminants not authorised by this consent. The plan shall be approved by the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, acting in a certification capacity.

#### Consent 10008-1.0

- 6. The site shall be operated in accordance with an up to date 'Management Plan' prepared by the consent holder and approved by the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, acting in a certification capacity. The plan shall detail how the site is to be managed to minimise the contaminants that become entrained in the stormwater and shall include as minimum:
  - a) the loading and unloading of materials;
  - b) general housekeeping;
  - c) management of the treatment systems; and
  - d) timeframes for any proposed improvements.

Note: A Stormwater Management Plan template is available in the Environment section of the Taranaki Regional Council's web site www.trc.govt.nz.

- 7. The consent holder shall notify the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, prior to making any changes to the processes or operations undertaken at the site, or the chemicals used or stored on site that could alter the nature of the discharge. Any such change shall then only occur following receipt of any necessary approval under the Resource Management Act. Notification shall include the consent number, a brief description of the activity consented and an assessment of the environmental effects of any changes, and be emailed to <a href="mailto:consents@trc.govt.nz">consents@trc.govt.nz</a>.
- 8. This consent shall lapse on 30 June 2020 unless the consent is given effect to before the end of that period or the Taranaki Regional Council fixes a longer period pursuant to section 125(1)(b) of the Resource Management Act 1991.
- 9. In accordance with section 128 and section 129 of the Resource Management Act 1991, the Taranaki Regional Council may serve notice of its intention to review, amend, delete or add to the conditions of this resource consent by giving notice of review:
  - a) during the month of June 2020 and/or June 2026
  - b) within 3 months of receiving a notification under special condition 7 above;

for the purpose of ensuring that the conditions are adequate to deal with any adverse effects on the environment arising from the exercise of this resource consent, which were either not foreseen at the time the application was considered or which it was not appropriate to deal with at the time.

Signed at Stratford on 5 June 2015

For and on behalf of				
Taranaki Regional Council				
A D McLay				
Director - Resource Management				

Name of Farmlands Co-operative Society Limited

Consent Holder: 23 Sir William Pickering Society Drive

**CHRISTCHURCH 8053** 

Decision Date: 11 January 2002

Commencement Date: 11 January 2002

## **Conditions of Consent**

Consent Granted: To discharge minor volumes of treated industrial

wastewater and up to 128 litres/second of treated stormwater from a stockfeed milling plant into an unnamed tributary of the Mangaone Stream in the Waiwhakaiho catchment at or about (NZTM) 1697412E-

5677349N

Expiry Date: 1 June 2020

Review Date(s): June 2003, June 2005, June 2008, June 2014

Site Location: 99 Katere Road, New Plymouth

Legal Description: Lot 2 DP 15406 Blk VI Paritutu SD

Catchment: Waiwhakaiho

Tributary: Mangaone

For General, Standard and Special conditions pertaining to this consent please see reverse side of this document

- a) That on receipt of a requirement from the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council the consent holder shall, within the time specified in the requirement, supply the information required relating to the exercise of this consent.
- b) That unless it is otherwise specified in the conditions of this consent, compliance with any monitoring requirement imposed by this consent must be at the consent holder's own expense.
- c) That the consent holder shall pay to the Council all required administrative charges fixed by the Council pursuant to section 36 in relation to:
  - i) the administration, monitoring and supervision of this consent; and
  - ii) charges authorised by regulations.

### **Special conditions**

- 1. This consent shall be exercised generally in accordance with the information submitted in support of application 1669 and to ensure the conditions of this consent are maintained.
- 2. The consent holder shall advise the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, prior to making any change in the processes undertaken at the site, or the materials used on site, which could alter the quantity or nature of the discharge.
- 3. The stormwater treatment system shall be maintained to the satisfaction of the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council.
- 4. The following concentrations shall not be exceeded within the discharge effluent:

Component	Concentration
pH (range)	6.0-9.0
suspended solids	100 gm <sup>-3</sup>
oil and grease	15 gm <sup>-3</sup>
biochemical oxygen demand	25 gm <sup>-3</sup>

This condition shall apply prior to the entry of the treated stormwater and wastewater into the Katere Road stormwater system, at a designated sampling point approved by the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council.

- 5. The discharge shall not give rise to any of the following effects in the receiving waters of the Mangaone Stream:
  - a) the production of any conspicuous oil or grease films, scums or foams, or floatable or suspended materials;
  - b) any conspicuous change in the colour or visual clarity;
  - c) any emission of objectionable odour;
  - d) the rendering of fresh water unsuitable for consumption by farm animals;
  - e) any significant adverse effects on aquatic life.

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- 6. The discharge shall not cause the concentration of filtered carbonaceous biochemical oxygen demand to exceed 2.00 gm<sup>-3</sup> in the Mangaone Stream.
- 7. The discharge shall not cause the concentration of unionised ammonia to exceed 0.025 gm<sup>-3</sup> in the Mangaone Stream.
- 8. The consent holder shall prepare and maintain a contingency plan to the satisfaction of the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, outlining measures and procedures undertaken to prevent spillage or accidental discharge of contaminants, and procedures to be carried out should such a spillage or discharge occur.
- 9. That within three months of the granting of this consent, the consent holder shall prepare and maintain an operation and management plan to the satisfaction of the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council including but not limited to:
  - a) The loading and unloading of materials;
  - b) maintenance of conveyance systems;
  - c) general housekeeping;
  - d) management of the interceptor system.
- 10. The consent will be exercised in accordance with the procedures set out in the operation and management plan, and the consent holder shall subsequently adhere to and comply with the procedures, requirements, obligations and all other matters specified in the operation and management plan, except by specific agreement of the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council. In the case of contradiction between the operation and management plan and the conditions of this resource consent, the conditions of the resource consent shall prevail.
- 11. The consent holder shall advise the Taranaki Regional Council one month prior to any changes being made to the operation and management plan. Should the Taranaki Regional Council wish to review the operation and management plan, one month's notice shall be provided to the consent holder.
- 12. In accordance with section 128 and section 129 of the Resource Management Act 1991, the Taranaki Regional Council may serve notice of its intention to review, amend, delete or add to the conditions of this resource consent by giving notice of review during the month of June 2003 and/or June 2005 and/or June 2008 and/or June 2014, for the purpose of ensuring that the conditions are adequate to deal with any adverse effects on the environment arising from the exercise of this resource consent, which were either not foreseen at the time the application was considered or which it was not appropriate to deal with at the time.

Transferred at Stratford on 10 December 2013

For and on behalf of	
Taranaki Regional Council	
Director-Resource Management	

Name of Nankervis Family Trust

Consent Holder: 165 Lower Flag Range Road

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HASTINGS 4179

**Consent Granted** 

Date:

20 October 2006

## **Conditions of Consent**

Consent Granted: To discharge truck washwater via an interceptor system

into the Mangaone Stream in the Waiwhakaiho catchment

at or about GR: P19:073-394

Expiry Date: 1 June 2020

Review Date(s): June 2008, June 2014

Site Location: 1 Dean Place, New Plymouth

Legal Description: Lot 2 DP 350826

Catchment: Waiwhakaiho

Tributary: Mangaone

- a) On receipt of a requirement from the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council the consent holder shall, within the time specified in the requirement, supply the information required relating to the exercise of this consent.
- b) Unless it is otherwise specified in the conditions of this consent, compliance with any monitoring requirement imposed by this consent must be at the consent holder's own expense.
- c) The consent holder shall pay to the Council all required administrative charges fixed by the Council pursuant to section 36 in relation to:
  - i) the administration, monitoring and supervision of this consent; and
  - ii) charges authorised by regulations.

### **Special conditions**

- 1. The consent holder shall adopt the best practicable option, as defined in section 2 of the Resource Management Act 1991, to avoid or minimise the discharge of silt or other contaminants into water or onto the riverbed and to avoid or minimise the disturbance of the riverbed and any adverse effects on water quality.
- 2. The exercise of this consent shall be undertaken generally in accordance with the documentation submitted in support of application 4368. In the case of any contradiction between the documentation submitted in support of application 4368 and the conditions of this consent, the conditions of this consent shall prevail.
- 3. Prior to the exercise of this consent, the consent holder shall provide for the written approval of the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, a management plan relating to contingency planning and management of stormwater and washwater for the site.
- 4. After reasonable mixing, the contaminant whether by itself or in combination with other contaminants, shall not cause any of the following effects:
  - a) the production of conspicuous oil or grease films, scums or foams, or floatable or suspended materials;
  - b) any conspicuous change in the colour or visual clarity;
  - c) any emissions of objectionable odour;
  - d) the rendering of fresh water unsuitable for consumption by farm animals; and
  - e) any significant adverse effects on aquatic life.
- 5. There shall be no direct discharge of untreated washwater into the Mangaone Stream, as a result of the exercise of this consent.

6. The following concentrations shall not be exceeded in the discharge:

Concentration
6-9
100 gm <sup>-3</sup>
15 gm <sup>-3</sup>

This condition shall apply prior to the entry of the washwater discharge into the Mangaone Stream at a designated sampling point approved by the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council.

- 7. The consent holder shall not discharge any product used to degrease plant or equipment or discharge any detergent used for truck washing in terms of this consent. The consent holder shall not discharge any water containing concrete, cement or water used to remove concrete and/or cement products from either trucks or equipment.
- 8. The consent holder shall ensure that no adverse effects shall occur to surface water or groundwater as a result of the exercise of this consent.
- 9. This consent shall lapse on the expiry of five years after the date of issue of this consent, unless the consent is given effect to before the end of that period or the Taranaki Regional Council fixes a longer period pursuant to section 125(1)(b) of the Resource Management Act 1991.
- 10. In accordance with section 128 and section 129 of the Resource Management Act 1991, the Taranaki Regional Council may serve notice of its intention to review, amend, delete or add to the conditions of this resource consent by giving notice of review during the month of June 2008 and/or June 2014 for the purpose of ensuring that the conditions are adequate to deal with any adverse effects on the environment arising from the exercise of this resource consent, which were either not foreseen at the time the application was considered or which it was not appropriate to deal with at the time.

Signed at Stratford on 20 October 2006

For and on behalf of
Taranaki Regional Council
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Director-Resource Management

## Discharge Permit Pursuant to the Resource Management Act 1991 a resource consent is hereby granted by the Taranaki Regional Council

Name of New Plymouth District Council

Consent Holder: Private Bag 2025

**NEW PLYMOUTH 4342** 

**Consent Granted** 

Date:

10 June 2008

## **Conditions of Consent**

Consent Granted: To discharge stormwater from the Katere and

Waiwhakaiho industrial areas into the Mangaone Stream

via multiple outfalls between Egmont Road and the

confluence with the Waiwhakaiho River at or about (NZTM)

1697233E-5677145N, 1697032E-5677145N, 1696882E-5677087N, 1696734E-5676990N, 1696545E-5677175N, 1696755E-5677622N, 1696757E-5677671N, 1696771E-5677957N, and

1696777E-5677965N

Expiry Date: 1 June 2026

Review Date(s): June 2010, June 2014, June 2020

Site Location: Katere Road, New Plymouth

Legal Description: Various

Catchment: Waiwhakaiho

Tributary: Mangaone

#### **General conditions**

- a) On receipt of a requirement from the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council the consent holder shall, within the time specified in the requirement, supply the information required relating to the exercise of this consent.
- b) Unless it is otherwise specified in the conditions of this consent, compliance with any monitoring requirement imposed by this consent must be at the consent holder's own expense.
- c) The consent holder shall pay to the Council all required administrative charges fixed by the Council pursuant to section 36 in relation to:
  - i) the administration, monitoring and supervision of this consent; and
  - ii) charges authorised by regulations.

### **Special conditions**

- 1. The consent holder shall at all times adopt the best practicable option, as defined in section 2 of the Resource Management Act 1991, to prevent or minimise any adverse effects on the environment from the exercise of this consent.
- 2. The consent holder shall prevent, where possible, or mitigate any erosion occurring as a result of the exercise of this consent.
- 3. After allowing for reasonable mixing, within a mixing zone extending 25 metres downstream of the discharge point, the discharge shall not, either by itself or in combination with other discharges, give rise to any or all of the following effects in the Mangaone Stream:
  - a) the production of any conspicuous oil or grease films, scums or foams, or floatable or suspended materials;
  - b) any conspicuous change in the colour or visual clarity;
  - c) any emission of objectionable odour;
  - d) the rendering of fresh water unsuitable for consumption by farm animals;
  - e) any significant adverse effects on aquatic life.

## Consent 1275-3

4. In accordance with section 128 and section 129 of the Resource Management Act 1991, the Taranaki Regional Council may serve notice of its intention to review, amend, delete or add to the conditions of this resource consent by giving notice of review during the month of June 2010 and/or June 2014 and/or June 2020, for the purpose of ensuring that the conditions are adequate to deal with any adverse effects on the environment arising from the exercise of this resource consent, which were either not foreseen at the time the application was considered or which it was not appropriate to deal with at the time.

Signed at Stratford on 10 June 2008

For and on behalf of	
Taranaki Regional Council	
Director-Resource Management	

## Discharge Permit Pursuant to the Resource Management Act 1991 a resource consent is hereby granted by the Taranaki Regional Council

Name of New Zealand Railways Corporation

Consent Holder: P O Box 593

**WELLINGTON 6140** 

**Consent Granted** 

Date:

31 July 2009

## **Conditions of Consent**

Consent Granted: To discharge stormwater from the Smart Road Rail

Terminal into an unnamed tributary of the Mangaone

Stream, and into the Mangaone Stream in the Waiwhakaiho catchment at or about (NZTM)

1696529E-5676921N

Expiry Date: 1 June 2026

Review Date(s): June 2014, June 2020

Site Location: Smart Road, New Plymouth

Legal Description: Pt Sec 144 & 145 Hua Dist, Pt Lot 1 DP 2210 & Pt Lot 2

DP 8654

Catchment: Waiwhakaiho

Tributary: Mangaone

#### **General conditions**

- a) On receipt of a requirement from the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council the consent holder shall, within the time specified in the requirement, supply the information required relating to the exercise of this consent.
- b) Unless it is otherwise specified in the conditions of this consent, compliance with any monitoring requirement imposed by this consent must be at the consent holder's own expense.
- c) The consent holder shall pay to the Council all required administrative charges fixed by the Council pursuant to section 36 in relation to:
  - i) the administration, monitoring and supervision of this consent; and
  - ii) charges authorised by regulations.

### **Special conditions**

- 1. Notwithstanding any other condition of this consent, the consent holder shall at all times adopt the best practicable option, as defined in section 2 of the Resource Management Act 1991, to prevent or minimise any adverse effects on the environment from the exercise of this consent.
- 2. The stormwater discharged shall be from a catchment area not exceeding 11.28ha.
- 3. By 30 September 2009, where goods are on site in excess of 3 days, any above ground hazardous substances storage areas shall be bunded with drainage to sumps, or discharged via a three stage interceptor and stop valve such that the flow can be isolated in the event of a spill.
- 4. Constituents of the discharge shall meet the standards shown in the following table.

<u>Constituent</u>	<u>Standard</u>
pН	Within the range 6.0 to 9.0
suspended solids	Concentration not greater than 100 gm <sup>-3</sup>
Oil and Grease	Concentration not greater than 15 gm <sup>-3</sup>

This condition shall apply before entry of the treated stormwater into the receiving waters at a designated sampling point approved by the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council.

- 5. After allowing for reasonable mixing, within a mixing zone extending to the Katere Road Bridge (NZTM 1696444E-5676696N) downstream of the discharge point, the discharge shall not, either by itself or in combination with other discharges, give rise to any or all of the following effects in the receiving water:
  - a) the production of any conspicuous oil or grease films, scums or foams, or floatable or suspended materials;
  - b) any conspicuous change in the colour or visual clarity;
  - c) any emission of objectionable odour;
  - d) the rendering of fresh water unsuitable for consumption by farm animals;
  - e) any significant adverse effects on aquatic life.

#### Consent 1735-3

- 6. The consent holder shall maintain a contingency plan, which shall be reviewed at not more than 2 yearly intervals. The contingency plan shall be adhered to in the event of a spill or emergency and shall, to the satisfaction of the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, detail measures and procedures to be undertaken to prevent spillage or accidental discharge of contaminants not authorised by this consent and measures to avoid, remedy or mitigate the environmental effects of such a spillage or discharge.
- 7. By 30 September 2009, the consent holder shall prepare and maintain a stormwater management plan. This plan shall be adhered to at all times and shall, to the satisfaction of the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council document how the site is to be managed in order to minimise the contaminants that become entrained in the stormwater. The plan shall include but not necessarily be limited to:
  - a) the loading and unloading of materials;
  - b) maintenance of conveyance systems;
  - c) general housekeeping; and
  - d) management of the interceptor system;

and shall be reviewed at not more than 2 yearly intervals.

- 8. This consent shall lapse on 30 September 2014, unless the consent is given effect to before the end of that period or the Taranaki Regional Council fixes a longer period pursuant to section 125(1)(b) of the Resource Management Act 1991.
- 9. In accordance with section 128 and section 129 of the Resource Management Act 1991, the Taranaki Regional Council may serve notice of its intention to review, amend, delete or add to the conditions of this resource consent by giving notice of review during the month of June 2014 and/or June 2020, for the purpose of ensuring that the conditions are adequate to deal with any adverse effects on the environment arising from the exercise of this resource consent, which were either not foreseen at the time the application was considered or which it was not appropriate to deal with at the time.

Signed at Stratford on 31 July 2009

For and on behalf of
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## Discharge Permit Pursuant to the Resource Management Act 1991 a resource consent is hereby granted by the Taranaki Regional Council

Name of Taranaki Sawmills Limited

Consent Holder: P O Box 7145

Fitzroy

**NEW PLYMOUTH** 

**Consent Granted** 

Date:

17 October 2006

## **Conditions of Consent**

Consent Granted: To discharge cooling water and wastewater from a timber

drying plant and stormwater from a timber treatment site into the Mangaone Stream in the Waiwhakaiho catchment

at or about GR: P19:069-388

Expiry Date: 1 June 2020

Review Date(s): June 2008, June 2009, June 2010, June 2014

Site Location: 45 & 53 Katere Road, Fitzroy, New Plymouth

Legal Description: Lot 1 DP 20347 Lot 2 DP 12871 Sec 177 Hua Dist Blk VI

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Catchment: Waiwhakaiho

Tributary: Mangaone

#### **General conditions**

- a) On receipt of a requirement from the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council the consent holder shall, within the time specified in the requirement, supply the information required relating to the exercise of this consent.
- b) Unless it is otherwise specified in the conditions of this consent, compliance with any monitoring requirement imposed by this consent must be at the consent holder's own expense.
- c) The consent holder shall pay to the Council all required administrative charges fixed by the Council pursuant to section 36 in relation to:
  - i) the administration, monitoring and supervision of this consent; and
  - ii) charges authorised by regulations.

#### **Special conditions**

- 1. The consent holder shall at all times adopt the best practicable option, as defined in section 2 of the Resource Management Act 1991, to prevent or minimise any adverse effects on the environment from the exercise of this consent.
- 2. The exercise of this consent shall be undertaken generally in accordance with the documentation submitted in support of application 4046. In the case of any contradiction between the documentation submitted in support of application 4046 and the conditions of this consent, the conditions of this consent shall prevail.
- 3. The consent holder shall adhere to the New Zealand Timber Preservation Council "Best Practice Guideline for the Safe Use of Timber Preservatives and Antisapstain Chemicals" September 2005 in so far as these guidelines address any matter relevant to the activity authorised by this consent. Where there is a conflict between the requirements of this guideline and the conditions of this consent, then the conditions of this consent shall prevail.
- 4. From the 31 March 2007 the consent holder shall ensure that all bunding (secondary containment) and any internal bunding, including but not limited to the internal LOSP bunding, meet the requirements of regulations 35 to 41 of the Hazardous Substances (Emergency Management) Regulations 2001 as amended by the Hazardous Substances (Classes 1 to 5 Controls) Amendment Regulations 2004.
- 5. The maximum stormwater catchment area shall be no more than 5.3188 ha.
- 6. The wastewater/cooling water discharge shall be no more than 12 cubic metres per day.

7. The following concentrations shall not be exceeded in the discharge:

Component	Concentration
oil and grease	$15  g/m^3$
suspended solids	$100  \text{g/m}^3$
Arsenic	$0.24  \text{g/m}^3$
Boron	$3.7  \text{g/m}^3$
Copper (dissolved)	$0.088  \mathrm{g/m^3}$
Chromium	$0.4  \text{g/m}^3$
Tributyltin	$0.0046  \mathrm{g/m^3}$
Zinc (dissolved)	$0.64  \mathrm{g/m^3}$

This condition shall apply prior to the discharge of the stormwater into the receiving environment, at a designated sampling point approved by the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council.

- 8. After allowing for reasonable mixing, within a mixing zone extending 30 metres downstream of the discharge point, the discharge shall not either by itself, or in combination with other discharges, give rise to any or all of the following effects in the receiving waters of the Mangaone Stream:
  - a) the production of any conspicuous oil or grease films, scums or foams, or floatable or suspended materials;
  - b) any conspicuous change in the colour or visual clarity;
  - c) any emission of objectionable odour;
  - d) the rendering of fresh water unsuitable for consumption by farm animals;
  - e) any significant adverse effects on aquatic life.
- 9. After allowing for reasonable mixing within a mixing zone extending 30 metres downstream of the discharge point, the discharge shall not, either by itself or in combination with other discharges, give rise to an increase of greater than 0.5 pH increment, or a pH outside the range of 6.0 to 9.0 within the receiving waters of the Mangaone Stream.
- 10. After allowing for reasonable mixing, within a mixing zone extending 30 metres downstream of the discharge point, the discharge shall not either by itself or in combination with other discharges give rise to any or all of the following effects in the receiving waters of the Mangaone Stream:
  - a) an increase in temperature of more than 3 degrees Celsius;
  - b) the natural temperature of the water to exceed 25 degrees Celcius;
  - c) a filtered carbonaceous 5 day biochemical oxygen demand of more than  $2 \text{ g/m}^3$ .
- 11. The consent holder shall investigate the permethrin, iodocarb, propiconazole and tebuconazole levels in site discharge, receiving water and Mangaone Stream sediment and to satisfaction of Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council

- 12. The consent holder shall investigate to satisfaction of Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council:
  - (a) The assimilative capacity of the Mangaone Stream under wet weather conditions, in relation to the dissolved copper concentration of the site discharge, the Mangaone Stream and the critical maximum concentration as per the United States Environmental Protection Agency National Recommended Water Quality Criteria 2006.
  - (b) What, if any remedial action is required at the site to ensure that the discharge from the site does not result in the water quality criteria, described in 12(a), from being exceeded.
- 13. The consent holder shall report on the investigations required by conditions 11 and 12 to the satisfaction of the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council by 30 August 2007.
- 14. The consent holder shall provide and maintain a contingency plan, to the satisfaction of the Chief Executive, Taranaki Regional Council, for action to be taken in the event of accidental discharge or spillage of contaminants.
- 15. This consent shall lapse on the expiry of five years after the date of issue of this consent, unless the consent is given effect to before the end of that period or the Taranaki Regional Council fixes a longer period pursuant to section 125(1)(b) of the Resource Management Act 1991.
- 16. In accordance with section 128 and section 129 of the Resource Management Act 1991, the Taranaki Regional Council may serve notice of its intention to review, amend, delete or add to the conditions of this resource consent by giving notice of review during the month of June 2008, and/or June 2009, and/or June 2010, and/or June 2014, for the purpose of ensuring that the conditions are adequate to deal with any adverse effects on the environment arising from the exercise of this resource consent, which were either not foreseen at the time the application was considered or which it was not appropriate to deal with at the time.
- 17. Conditions 3 and 4 of this resource consent may be reviewed at any time, consequent to any amendment or revision of the New Zealand Timber Preservation Council "Best Practice Guideline for the Safe Use of Timber Preservatives and Antisapstain Chemicals" September 2005, or regulations 35 to 41 of the Hazardous Substances (Emergency Management) Regulations 2001 as amended in the Hazardous Substances (Classes 1 to 5 Controls) Amendment Regulations 2004

For and on behalf of

Signed at Stratford on 17 October 2006

Taranaki Regional Council
Director-Resource Management

## Appendix II

Biomonitoring reports – macroinvertebrate surveys

To Job Manager, Scott Cowperthwaite

From Scientific Officer, Darin Sutherland

Document 1903848 Report No. DS077

**Date** 26 July 2017

# Biomonitoring of the Lower Waiwhakaiho River and the Mangaone Stream in the Fitzroy Industrial Area, April 2017 Introduction

This was the second of two scheduled surveys in the 2016-2017 monitoring programme, for the combined industries of the Fitzroy industrial area. There was a delay in the survey programme due to persistent heavy rain which lead to the spring 2016 survey being postponed. This second survey was completed in the autumn 2017 period as its replacement. Results from surveys performed since the 2000-2001 monitoring years are discussed in several reports referenced at the end of this report. The monitoring related to the wastewater/stormwater discharge permits tabulated below:

Consent holder	Consent No.
Ravensdown	3140, 3865
Firth Industries	0392
NPDC (Stormwater)	3138, 1126, 1275
NPDC (Bewley Road)	4984
NZ Railways Corporation	1735, 3528
Katere Stores Limited	4548
Allied Concrete Ltd	4539
Taranaki Sawmills	3491
Technix Group Ltd	0021, 0291, 2230
Downer EDI Works	3917

## Method

On 27 April 2017, the standard '400 ml kick sampling' technique was used to collect streambed macroinvertebrates from three sites in the lower Waiwhakaiho River and from four sites in the Mangaone Stream, while a combination of 'kick sampling' and the standard '400 ml sweep-sampling' techniques were used to collect streambed macroinvertebrates from site 12 in the Mangaone Stream (Table 1, Figure 1). The 'sweep-net- sampling technique is very similar to Protocol C2 (soft-bottomed, semi-quantitative), and the 'kick-sampling' technique is very similar to Protocol C1 (hard-bottomed, semi-quantitative), of the New Zealand Macroinvertebrate Working Group (NZMWG) protocols for macroinvertebrate samples in wadeable streams (Stark *et al.*, 2001).

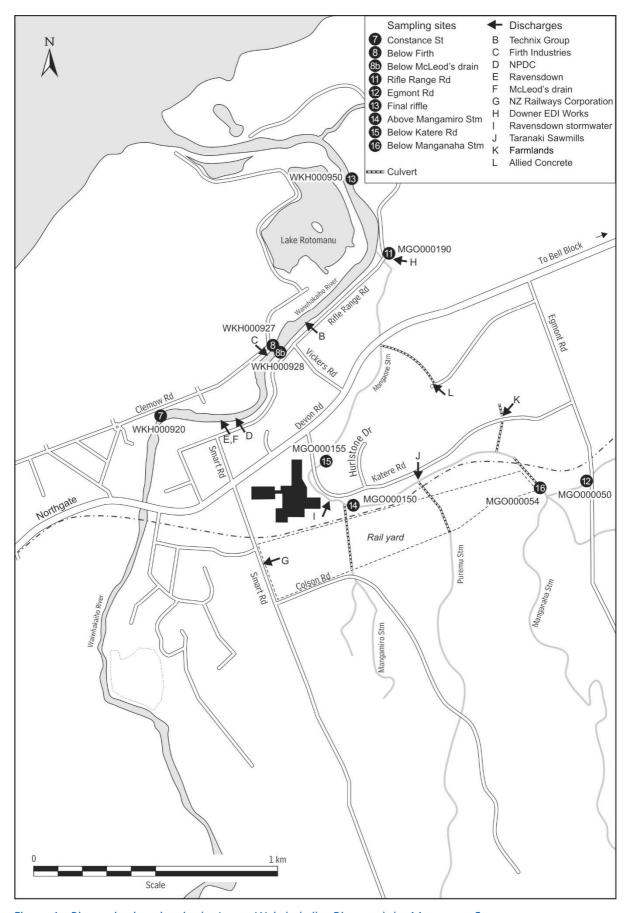


Figure 1 Biomonitoring sites in the Lower Waiwhakaiho River and the Mangaone Stream

The three sites from the Waiwhakaiho River used in this survey have been sampled biannually in recent years. In the Mangaone Stream, two sites have been sampled biannually, with three further sites (14, 15 and 16) added since February 2005 and sampled under the same regime.

Table 1 Biomonitoring sites in the Lower Waiwhakaiho River and the Mangaone Stream

Site No	Site code	Grid reference	Location
7	WKH000920	E1695827 N5677271	Waiwhakaiho River, Constance Street
8	WKH000927	E1696271 N5677512	Waiwhakaiho River, below Firth industries, west (left) bank
13	WKH000950	E1696587 N5678336	Waiwhakaiho River, final riffle downstream of Lake Rotomanu
12	MGO000050	E1697624 N5677106	Mangaone Stream, Egmont Road
16	MGO000054	E1697312 N5677049	Mangaone Stream, 20m d/s of Manganaha Stream confluence
14	MGO000150	E1696612 N5676949	Mangaone Stream, 300m d/s confluence with Puremu Stream
15	MGO000155	E1696463 N5677090	Mangaone Stream, 100m d/s fertiliser depot
11	MGO000190	E1696773 N5677968	Mangaone Stream, Rifle Range Road

Samples were preserved with Kahle's Fluid for later sorting and identification under a stereomicroscope according to Taranaki Regional Council methodology using protocol P1 of

NZMWG protocols for sampling macroinvertebrates in wadeable streams (Stark et al. 2001). Macroinvertebrate taxa abundances scored based on the categories presented in Table 1.

Table 2 Macroinvertebrate abundance categories

Abundance category	Number of individuals
R (rare)	1-4
C (common)	5-19
A (abundant)	20-99
VA (very abundant)	100-499
XA (extremely abundant)	500+

Stark (1985) developed a scoring system for macroinvertebrate taxa according to their sensitivity to organic pollution in stony New Zealand streams. Highly 'sensitive' taxa were assigned the highest scores of 9 or 10, while the most 'tolerant' forms scored 1. Sensitivity scores for certain taxa have been modified in accordance with Taranaki experience. Averaging the scores assigned to the taxa found at a site, and multiplying the average by a scaling factor of 20 produces a Macroinvertebrate Community Index (MCI) value. A gradation of biological water quality conditions based upon MCI ranges which has been adapted for Taranaki streams and rivers (TRC, 2013) from Stark's classification (Stark, 1985 and Boothroyd and Stark, 2000) (Table 2). A difference of 10.83 units or more in MCI values is considered significantly different (Stark 1998).

The MCI was designed as a measure of the overall sensitivity of macroinvertebrate communities to the effects of organic pollution. MCI results can also reflect the effects of warm temperatures, slow current speeds and low dissolved oxygen levels, because the taxa capable of tolerating these conditions generally have low sensitivity scores. Usually more 'sensitive' communities (with higher MCI values) inhabit less polluted waterways. The use of this index in non-stony streams (such as the Mangaone Stream site 12) is possible if results are related to physical habitat (e.g. good quality muddy/weedy sites tend to produce lower MCI values than good quality stony sites).

Table 3 Macroinvertebrate health based on MCI ranges which has been adapted for Taranaki streams and rivers (TRC, 2015) from Stark's classification (Stark, 1985, Boothroyd and Stark, 2000, and Stark and Maxted, 2007)

Grading	MCI
Excellent	>140
Very Good	120-140
Good	100-119
Fair	80-99
Poor	60-79
Very Poor	<60

A semi-quantitative MCI value (SQMCI<sub>S</sub>) has also been calculated for the taxa present at each site by multiplying each taxon score by a loading factor (related to its abundance), totalling these products, and dividing by the sum of the loading factors (Stark, 1998 and 1999. The loading factors were 1 for rare (R), 5 for common (C), 20 for abundant (A), 100 for very abundant (VA) and 500 for extremely abundant (XA). Unlike the MCI, the SQMCI<sub>S</sub> is not multiplied by a scaling factor of 20, therefore SQMCI<sub>S</sub> values range from 1 to 10, while MCI values range from 20 to 200. A difference of 0.83 units or more in SQMCI<sub>S</sub> values is considered significantly different (Stark 1998).

## Results

## Site habitat characteristics and hydrology

This autumn survey was performed under moderate flow conditions (close to the median flow of 3930 l/s), 10 days after a fresh in excess of 3 times median flow and 12 days after a fresh of 7 times median flow (flow gauge at the Waiwhakaiho River at Egmont Village). The survey followed a relatively wet summer period with several significant river freshes recorded over the preceding month. Water temperature was in the range 12.1-14.1°C. The Waiwhakaiho River and Mangaone Stream sites had uncoloured, clear water. Sites were unshaded with no overhanging vegetation.

Substrate composition is displayed in Table 4 and other environmental variables found within the river are displayed in Table 5.

For site 16 in the previous survey (February 2017) sand was the dominant substrate type but in the current survey this had changed and silt had become the dominant (60%).

Table 4 Substrate composition at the eight sites surveyed

Site No	Silt	Sand	Fine gravel	Course gravel	Cobble	Boulder	Bedrock	Hard clay	Wood/ root	Concrete/ gabion
7		10	10	10	45	25				
8	5	5	5		45	40				
13	5	10	10	10	35	30				
12	100									
16	60	25	10						5	
14	20	5	10	15	30	20				
15	10	5	5	5	55	20				
11	5	5	10	20	40	20				

Table 5 Algal, plants, debris and silt found on the streambed

Site No	Algal mats	Algal filaments	Moss	Leaves	Wood	Aquatic plants	Iron oxide/ silt coating
7	Patchy	None	None	Patchy	None	None	None
8	Widespread	Patchy	None	None	None	None	None
13	Widespread	Patchy	Patchy	None	None	None	None
12	None	None	None	None	None	On bed	None
16	None	None	None	None	Patchy	On bed	None
14	Widespread	Patchy	None	None	None	On bed	Silt
15	Widespread	Widespread	None	None	None	On bed	None
11	Patchy	Widespread	None	None	None	Edges only	None

## Macroinvertebrate communities

A summary of taxa numbers and MCI values from previous surveys performed in the Waiwhakaiho River and the Mangaone Stream in relation to the Fitzroy industrial area are presented in Table 6 together with current results. The full results of the survey are presented in Table 7 (Waiwhakaiho River) and Table 8 (Mangaone Stream).

Table 6 Numbers of taxa and MCI and SQMCI<sub>s</sub> values recorded in previous surveys performed in the Waiwhakaiho River (sites 7, 8 and 13) and Mangaone Stream (sites 12, 16, 14, 15 and 11) since July 1983 in relation to the Fitzroy industrial area, together with the results of the survey of 27 April 2017

		No of taxa			MCI value			SQMCI₅ value			
Site No.	N	Median	Range	Current survey	Median	Range	Current survey	N	Median	Range	Current
7	61	20	12-29	21	90	66-110	91	36	3.3	1.7-7.3	3.3
8	59	21	13-30	24	87	69-115	97	36	3.3	1.8-6.3	2.8
13	52	20	12-30	20	87	67-111	85	36	2.9	1.6-7.4	2.6
12	49	17	8-28	13	81	66-95	74	36	4.4	2.4-4.9	3.1
16	32	19	3-30	13	85	47-103	78	28	4.2	1.2-5.5	2.2
14	34	15	6-28	13	69	53-95	68	29	2.6	1.1-3.7	3.2
15	26	14	7-23	15	68	48-81	65	24	2.5	1.5-3.8	3.4
11	54	13	4-21	13	66	50-85	68	36	2.0	1.5-3.6	2.8

Table 7 Macroinvertebrate fauna of the Waiwhakaiho River in relation to the Fitzroy industrial area sampled on 27 April 2017

	Site Number	Number MCI		8	13	
Taxa List	Site Code		WKH000920	WKH000927	WKH000950	
	Sample Number	score	FWB17239	FWB17240	FWB17241	
NEMERTEA	Nemertea	3	R	С	С	
ANNELIDA (WORMS)	Oligochaeta	1	Α	VA	Α	
	Lumbricidae	5	-	R	R	
MOLLUSCA	Potamopyrgus	4	-	R	С	
CRUSTACEA	Isopoda	5	R	-	-	
EPHEMEROPTERA (MAYFLIES)	Austroclima	7	R	С	R	
	Coloburiscus	7	С	С	R	
	Deleatidium	8	Α	-	-	
	Nesameletus	9	-	R	-	
	Zephlebia group	7	С	R	R	
PLECOPTERA (STONEFLIES)	Zelandobius	5	-	-	R	
COLEOPTERA (BEETLES)	Elmidae	6	С	С	С	
	Ptilodactylidae	8	R	-	-	
MEGALOPTERA (DOBSONFLIES)	Archichauliodes	7	R	С	С	
TRICHOPTERA (CADDISFLIES)	Hydropsyche (Aoteapsyche)	4	А	VA	А	
	Costachorema	7	-	R	-	
	Hydrobiosis	5	С	С	R	
	Neurochorema	6	-	R	-	
	Olinga	9	-	R	-	
	Oxyethira	2	R	Α	Α	
DIPTERA (TRUE FLIES)	Aphrophila	5	R	Α	С	
	Maoridiamesa	3	С	С	С	
	Orthocladiinae	2	VA	VA	VA	
	Tanytarsini	3	R	Α	R	
	Empididae	3	R	С	R	
	Ephydridae	4	С	-	-	
	Muscidae	3	R	R	С	
	Austrosimulium	3	R	С	R	
ACARINA (MITES)	Acarina	5	-	R	-	
	No	of taxa	21	24	20	
		MCI	91	97	85	
	S	3.3	2.8	2.6		
		6	9	6		
		T (taxa) T (taxa)	29	38	30	
'Tolerant' taxa	'Moderately sensitive'	'Highly sensitive' taxa				

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### Waiwhakaiho River

## Constance Street (site 7)

A moderately macroinvertebrate community richness of 21 taxa was found at site 7 ('control' site), upstream of all discharges from the Fitzroy industrial area at the time of this summer survey. This was one taxon higher than the historical median for this site (20 taxa) and eight taxa higher than the previous survey (13 taxa) on February 2017 (Table 6 and Figure 2).

The MCI score of 91 units indicated a community of 'fair' biological health which was not significantly higher (Stark, 1998) than the historical median MCI score of 90 units and to the preceding survey (94 units) (Table 6 and Figure 2).

The SQMCI<sub>S</sub> score of 3.3 units was the same as the historical median of 3.3 units but significantly lower than the previous score of 4.5 units (Stark, 1998) (Table 6).

The community was characterised by three 'tolerant' 'taxa [oligochate worms, caddisfly (*Hydropsyche/Aoteapsyche*) and orthoclad midges and one 'highly sensitive' taxon [mayfly (*Deleatidium*)] (Table 7).

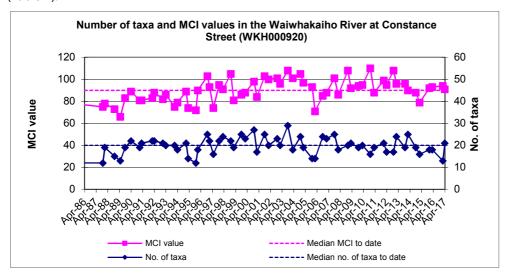


Figure 2 Numbers of taxa and MCI values for Waiwhakaiho River at Constance Street since 1987 Below Firth Industries, left bank (site 8)

A moderate macroinvertebrate community richness of 24 taxa was found at site 8. This was three taxa lower than the historical median for this site (21 taxa) and five taxa more than the preceding survey (19 taxa) (Table 6 and Figure 3).

The MCI score of 97 units indicated a community of 'fair' biological health which was not significantly different (Stark, 1998) to the historical median MCI score of 87 units. The MCI score was also not significantly different (Stark, 1998) to the preceding survey (92 units) (Table 6 and Figure 3).

The SQMCI<sub>s</sub> score of 2.6 units was not significantly different (Stark, 1998) to the historical median SQMCI<sub>s</sub> score of 3.3 units and to the preceding score of 2.8 units (Stark, 1998) (Table 6).

The community was characterised by four 'tolerant' 'taxa [oligochate worms, caddisflies (*Hydropsyche/Aoteapsyche* and *Oxyethira*) and orthoclad midges] and one 'moderately sensitive' taxon [cranefly (*Aphrophila*)] (Table 7).

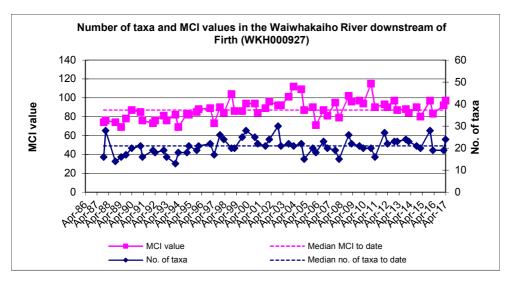


Figure 3 Numbers of taxa and MCI values for Waiwhakaiho River below Firth Industries (left bank) since 1987

## Downstream of Lake Rotomanu (site 13)

A moderate macroinvertebrate community richness of 20 taxa was found at site 13. This was the same as the one taxon higher than the historical median for this site and one taxon lower than the previous survey (21 taxa) (Table 6 and Figure 4).

The MCI score of 92 units indicated a community of 'fair' biological health which was not significantly different (Stark, 1998) to the historical median MCI score of 87 units and was the same as the preceding survey (92 units) (Table 6 and Figure 4).

The SQMCl<sub>S</sub> score of 2.6 units was not significantly different to the historical median SQMCl<sub>S</sub> score (2.9 units) and to the previous survey (2.9 units) (Stark, 1998) (Table 6).

The community was characterised by four 'tolerant' 'taxa [oligochate worms, caddisflies (*Hydropsyche/Aoteapsyche* and *Oxyethira*) and orthoclad midges (Table 7).

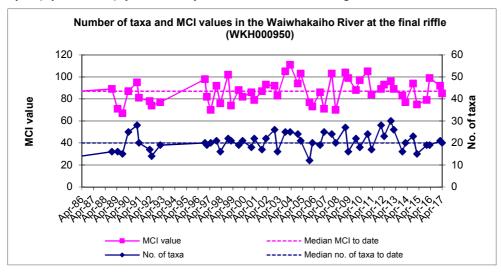


Figure 4 Numbers of taxa and MCI values for Waiwhakaiho River d/s of Lake Rotomanu since 1987

## Mangaone Stream

Macroinvertebrate samples collected from the two sites at the upper (site 12) and lower (site 11) ends of the surveyed reach in the Mangaone Stream in the past have found distinctly different community compositions at the two sites with much of the variation due to the streambed habitat differences, i.e. sandy-weedy, softer substrate at the upstream site (site 12 at Egmont Road) and harder, stony-gravel substrate at the downstream site (site 11 at Rifle Range Road). Additional sites have been sampled in recent years (in the reach between these historically surveyed sites) to ascertain why poor water quality is indicated at site 11 at Rifle Range Road despite the improvement in habitat when compared to site 12 upstream of all the industrial discharges.

Table 8 Macroinvertebrate fauna of the Mangaone Stream in relation to the Fitzroy industrial area sampled on 27 April 2017

	Site Number	MCI	12	16	14	15	11	
Taxa List	Site Code	score	MGO000050	MGO000054	MGO000150	MGO000155	MGO000190	
	Sample Number	SCOLE	FWB17234	FWB17235	FWB17236	FWB17237	FWB17238	
PLATYHELMINTHES (FLATWORMS)	Cura	3	-	-	R	-	-	
NEMERTEA	Nemertea	3	Α	С	-	С	С	
ANNELIDA (WORMS)	Oligochaeta	1	R	VA	VA	VA	Α	
	Lumbricidae	5	С	-	R	-	С	
HIRUDINEA (LEECHES)	Hirudinea	3	-	-	-	-	R	
MOLLUSCA	Physa	3	-	-	-	С	-	
	Potamopyrgus	4	С	Α	VA	XA	Α	
	Sphaeriidae	3	-	R	R	R	-	
CRUSTACEA	Ostracoda	1	VA	С	С	Α	R	
	Paracalliope	5	VA	Α	VA	VA	С	
	Paratya	3	R	_	-	R	-	
EPHEMEROPTERA (MAYFLIES)	Austroclima	7	R	R	-	-	-	
,	Zephlebia group	7	-	R	-	-	-	
COLEOPTERA (BEETLES)	Elmidae	6	-	-	-	-	R	
MEGALOPTERA (DOBSONFLIES)	Archichauliodes	7	-	-	R	R	-	
TRICHOPTERA (CADDISFLIES)	Hydropsyche (Aoteapsyche)	4	-	-	-	R	R	
	Hydrobiosis	5	R	R	-	_	-	
	Oxyethira	2	-	-	-	R	С	
	Triplectides	5	R	С	-	_	-	
LEPIDOPTERA (MOTHS)	Hygraula	4	-	-	R	-	-	
DIPTERA (TRUE FLIES)	Aphrophila	5	-	-	-	R	R	
	Chironomus	1	R	-	-	-	-	
	Orthocladiinae	2	-	R	Α	VA	А	
	Polypedilum	3	-	-	R	С	R	
	Tanypodinae	5	R	-	-	-	-	
	Tanytarsini	3	-	-	R	-	-	
	Muscidae	3	-	-	R	С	-	
	Austrosimulium	3	С	С	-	-	-	
ACARINA (MITES)	Acarina	5	-	R	-	-	-	
	No	of taxa	13	13	13	15	13	
		MCI	74	78	68	65	68	
		SQMCIs	3.1	2.2	3.2	3.4	2.8	
		T (taxa)	3.1	4	0	1	1	
		23	31	0	7	8		
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'Tolerant' taxa	'Moderately			'Highly	ighly sensitive' taxa			
	sensitive' taxa							

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VA = Very Abundant

XA = Extremely Abundant

A = Abundant

R = Rare

C = Common

## Egmont Road (site 12)

A moderately low macroinvertebrate community richness of 13 taxa was found at site 12 ('control' site) at the time of this autumn survey. This was four taxa lower than the historical median for this site (17 taxa) and three taxa higher than the previous survey (10 taxa) (Table 6 and Figure 5).

The MCI score of 74 units indicated a community of 'poor' biological health which was not significantly different to the historical median MCI score (81 units) and to the preceding survey score (81 units) (Table 6 and Figure 5).

The SQMCI<sub>S</sub> score of 3.1 units was significantly lower (Stark, 1998) than the historical median SQMCI<sub>S</sub> score of 4.4 units and the previous survey (4.6 units) (Stark, 1998) (Table 6).

The community was characterised by two 'tolerant' taxa [worms (Nemerta) and seed shrimp (Ostracoda] and) one 'moderately sensitive' taxon [amphipod (*Paracalliope*)] (Table 8).

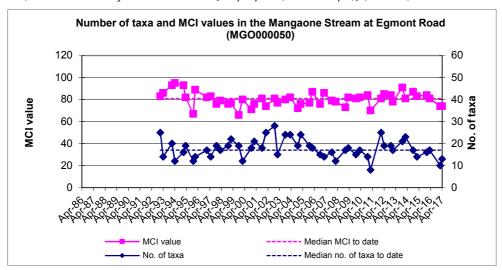


Figure 5 Number of taxa and MCI values for Mangaone Stream at Egmont Road since 1992

## 20m downstream of Manganaha Stream confluence (site 16)

A moderately low macroinvertebrate community richness of 13 taxa was found at site 16. This was six taxa lower than the historical median (19 taxa) for this site and four taxa lower than the previous survey (17 taxa) (Table 6 and Figure 6).

The MCI score of 78 units indicated a community of 'poor' biological health which was not significantly different (Stark, 1998) to the historical median MCI (85 units) but was significantly lower than the preceding survey (93 units) (Table 6 and Figure 6).

The SQMCI<sub>S</sub> score of 2.2 units was significantly lower than the historical median SQMCI<sub>S</sub> score of 4.2 units and significantly lower than the previous survey (4.2 units units) (Stark, 1998) (Table 6).

The community was characterised by two tolerant' taxa [oligochaete worms and snail (*Potamopyrgus*)] and one 'moderately sensitive' taxon [amphipod (*Paracalliope*)] (Table 8).

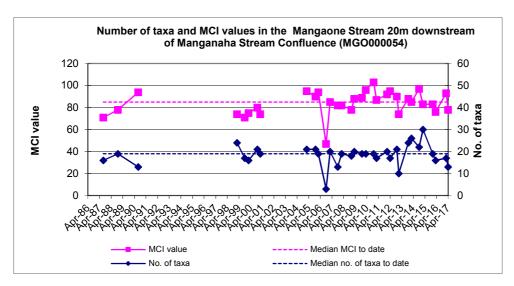


Figure 6 Numbers of taxa and MCI values for the Mangaone Stream downstream of the confluence with Manganaha Stream since 1987

## Mangaone Stream 300m downstream of Puremu Stream confluence (site 14)

A moderately low macroinvertebrate community richness of 13 taxa was found at site 14. This was two taxa lower than the historical median (15 taxa) for this site and one taxon higher than the previous survey (12 taxa) (Table 6 and Figure 7). Previous reports have suggested that the sporadic observations of low community richnesses at this site may have been related to preceding toxic discharges.

The MCI score of 68 units indicated a community of 'poor' biological health which was not significantly lower (Stark, 1998) than the historical median MCI score (69 units) and to the preceding survey (58 units).

The SQMCI<sub>S</sub> score of 3.2 units was not significantly different (Stark, 1998) than the historical median SQMCI<sub>S</sub> score of 2.6 units and to the previous survey (3.6 units) (Stark, 1998) (Table 6).

The community was characterised by three tolerant' taxa [oligochaete worms and snail (*Potamopyrgus*) and midge (Orthocladiinae)] and one 'moderately sensitive' taxon [amphipod (*Paracalliope*)] (Table 8).

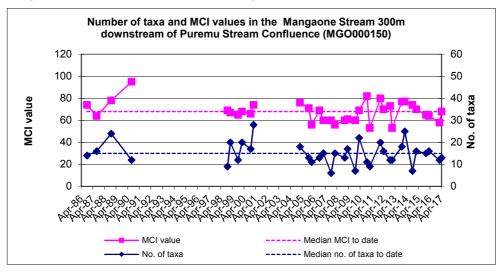


Figure 7 Numbers of taxa and MCI values for Mangaone Stream downstream of the confluence with Puremu Stream since 1986

## 100 m downstream of the fertilizer depot (site 15)

A moderate macroinvertebrate community richness of 15 taxa was found at site 15. This was one taxon higher than the historical median (14 taxa) for this site and one taxon lower than the previous survey (16 taxa) (Table 6 and Figure 8).

The MCI score of 65 units indicated a community of 'poor' biological health which was not significantly different (Stark, 1998) to the historical median MCI (68 units) and to the preceding survey (68 units).

The SQMCI<sub>S</sub> score of 3.4 units was significantly higher (Stark, 1998) than the historical median SQMCI<sub>S</sub> score of 2.5 units and not significantly different to the previous survey (3.7 units) (Stark, 1998) (Table 6).

The community was characterised by four tolerant' taxa [oligochaete worms, snail (*Potamopyrgus*), seed shrimp (Ostracoda) and midge (Orthocladiinae)] and one 'moderately sensitive' taxon [amphipod (*Paracalliope*)] (Table 8).

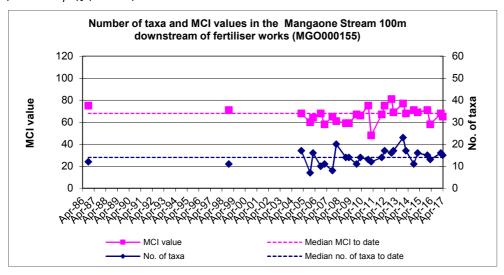


Figure 8 Numbers of taxa and MCI values for Mangaone Stream 100 m downstream of the fertilizer works/depot since 1986

### Rifle Range Road (site 11)

A moderately low macroinvertebrate community richness of 13 taxa was found at site 11 at the time of this summer survey. This was the same number as the historical median for this site and the previous survey (Table 6 and Figure 9).

The MCI score of 65 units indicated a community of 'poor' biological health which was not significantly different (Stark, 1998) to the historical median MCI (66 units) and the preceding survey (65 units) (Table 6 and Figure 9).

The SQMCI<sub>s</sub> score of 2.8 units was not significantly different (Stark, 1998) to the historical median SQMCI<sub>s</sub> score of 2.0 units and to the previous survey (3.1 units) (Stark, 1998) (Table 6).

The community was characterised by three 'tolerant' taxa [oligochaete worms, snail (*Potamopyrgus*), and orthoclad midges] (Table 8).

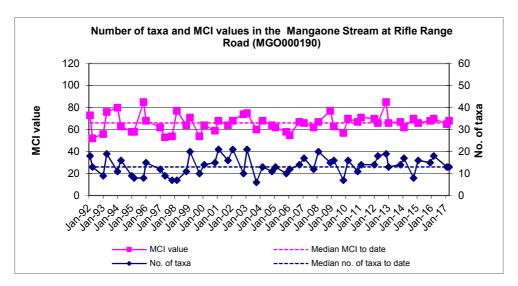
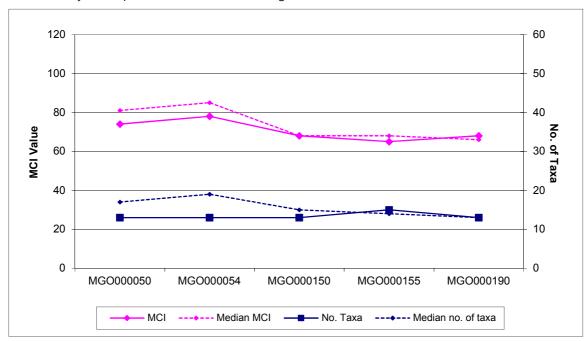


Figure 9 Numbers of taxa and MCI values for Mangaone Stream at Rifle Range Road since 1992

## Overview of Mangaone Stream sites

The longitudinal trends in the number of taxa, MCI and SQMCI<sub>s</sub> values along the reach of the Mangaone Stream surveyed in April 2017 are illustrated in Figure 10.



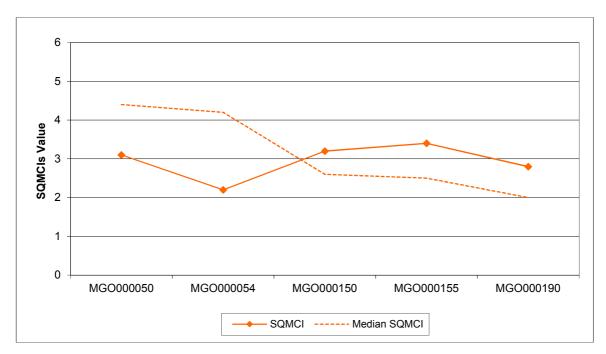


Figure 10 Longitudinal trend in number of taxa, MCI and SQMCI<sub>s</sub> values in the Mangaone Stream for the survey of 15 February 2017

Taxa richness was generally moderately low throughout the reach with very little variation among sites with four of the five sites having 13 taxa and the other having 15 taxa. Taxa richnesses were slightly lower at the two upstream sites (by 4 and 6 taxa) but very similar to historic medians for the bottom three sites. MCI scores showed typical results with no significant differences from historic medians. The two upstream sites had higher values than the three downstream sites though only the difference between site 16 and 15 (11 units), was considered to be significantly different.

The SQMCI<sub>S</sub> scores (which take into account abundances within taxa, as well as their sensitivity to pollution) were found to be atypical, with significant differences with historic medians for the majority of sites. Typically, SQMCI<sub>S</sub> scores behave similar to the MCI scores with a distinct decline in score between sites 16 and 14. The current results indicate that all the sites except site 16 were not significantly different from each other. There was a distinct significant decrease at site 16, which had the highest MCI score.

## Discussion and conclusions

The three Waiwhakaiho River sites all had moderate macroinvertebrate richnesses with similar (with 1-4 taxa) richnesses among sites and to historic medians (0-3 taxa). This indicates that no significant toxic discharges had occurred.

Macroinvertebrate richnesses among the five Mangaone Stream sites were relatively normal except for slightly lower than normal richnesses at the two upstream sites (by 4 and 6 taxa). As the upper most sites is the 'control' site this is unlikely to be affected by toxic discharges and therefore the slightly lower richnesses are probably due to slight changes in habitat. During the previous survey in February 2017 at the 'control' site nearby cattle appeared to be causing soil erosion that would result in sediment entering the waterway which could have a negative effect on taxa richness.

The three most downstream sites had taxa richnesses similar to historic medians (0-2 taxa) which were at moderate to moderately low levels indicating that there had been no recent acute toxic discharges into the Mangaone Stream. Taxa richness is the most robust index when ascertaining whether a macroinvertebrate community has been exposed to toxic discharges. Macroinvertebrates when exposed to toxic chemicals may die or deliberately drift downstream thus potentially lowering taxa richness at a site. It had been previously reported that Taranaki sawmills discharged stormwater to the Mangaone Stream between sites

16 and 14, and sediment sampling undertaken in early 2009 had recorded significant concentrations of not only tributyltin in the stream sediments around Taranaki Sawmills, but also elevated concentrations of arsenic, chromium, copper and zinc, all potentially toxic to aquatic biota (see BJ192). Previously, there had been increased sedimentation between sites 16 and 14. Further sediment sampling undertaken in April 2012, early March 2014 and 2017, showed less contamination than that recorded in 2009.

MCI scores for the three Waiwhakaiho River sites were typical though site 8 was a non-significant 10 units higher than its historic median. The higher than usual score at site 8 was not observed in the other two sites which were within two units of their historic medians. There was a significant decrease from site 8 to 13 of 12 units. This was a direct result of the higher than usually score at site 8. The community composition at site 8 had only two 'highly sensitive' species which were both 'rare'. Removal of both of these decreases the score to 89, close to the historic median of 87, and probably more reflective of actual macroinvertebrate community health at the site. Therefore, it was unlikely that a real deterioration in water quality occurred between sites 8 and 13.

Furthermore, the SQMCI<sub>S</sub> scores were not significantly different among the three Waiwhakaiho River sites or to their respective historic medians indicating typical results with no deterioration in water quality.

The MCI scores for all the Mangaone Stream sites indicated that the macroinvertebrate communities were in 'poor' health, including the 'control' site. All results were not significantly different to historic medians but the two upstream sites did have non-significant decreases (by 7 MCI units). Sedimentation at sites 12 and 16, which may have affected taxa richness, may also have depressed the MCI scores. Site 12 had a 100% silt substrate and there was a significant increase of silt at site 16 from 5 to 60% from the previous survey. This was possibly due to cattle causing soil erosion near the stream in the upper catchment as noted in the previous survey.

SQMCl<sub>s</sub> scores were not congruent with MCl scores for the Mangaone Stream. There were significant differences with historic medians for the majority of sites. Generally, SQMCl<sub>s</sub> scores have behaved in a similar way to the MCl scores with a distinct decline in score between sites 16 and 14. The current results indicate that all the sites except site 16 were not significantly different from each other. There was a distinct significant decrease of SQMCl<sub>s</sub> score at site 16 compared with the 'control' site score and its historic median. This low score was due to the 'very abundant' highly 'tolerant' oligochate worms at the site which were not abundant during the previous survey. The cause of the increase was possibly due to the increase in silt at the site which oligochate worms prefer.

Earlier surveys have noted extensive filamentous algal growth at the lower Mangaone Stream sites (sites 14, 15 and 11). Widespread to patchy algae growths were present at the time of the current survey and aquatic vegetation was also present at the three sites. Previous reports (TRC, 2015) have suggested that the streambed may have become more stable due to an upstream flood retention scheme reducing freshes. The low MCI scores and high periphyton biomass was probably a result of a combination of inadequate flushing flows despite relatively recent large freshes preceding the survey, and nutrient enrichment upstream. A possible source of the nutrient enrichment were groundwater inputs linked to the fertiliser depot situated upstream of site 14 but other industries occur upstream of the site which could also be contributing to poor water quality.

Overall, the results indicated that discharges from the industrial area were not having a significant negative effect on the macroinvertebrate communities in the lower Waiwhakaiho River. The upper and lower Mangaone Stream sites had communities in 'poor' health but with moderate to moderately low taxa richness suggesting an absence of any recent toxic discharges but sedimentation in the upper catchment and nutrient enrichment in the lower catchment was potentially affecting sites in the surveyed reach.

## **Summary**

The Council's standard 'kick sampling' and 'sweep-net' sampling techniques were used to collect streambed macroinvertebrates at five sites in the Mangaone Stream and three sites in the Waiwhakaiho River on 27 April 2017, in order to assess whether discharges from the Lower Waiwhakaiho Industrial area had had any adverse effects on the macroinvertebrate communities of these streams. Samples were processed to provide number of taxa (richness), MCI and SQMCI<sub>S</sub> scores for each site.

The MCI is a measure of the overall sensitivity of the macroinvertebrate community to the effects of organic pollution in stony streams. It is based on the presence/absence of taxa with varying degrees of sensitivity to environmental conditions. The SQMCI<sub>S</sub> takes into account taxa abundances as well as sensitivity to pollution. It may indicate subtle changes in communities, and therefore be the more relevant index if non-organic impacts are occurring. Significant differences in either the MCI or SQMCI<sub>S</sub> between sites indicate the degree of adverse effects (if any) of the discharges being monitored.

This survey found that all Waiwhakaiho River sampling sites recorded moderate community richnesses similar to long term medians for their respective sites. MCI scores indicated 'fair' health and were typical for the sites though site 8 was a non-significant 10 units higher than its historic median. There was a significant decrease from site 8 to 13 of 12 units. This was a direct result of the higher than usually score at site 8. The community composition at site 8 had only two 'highly sensitive' species which were both 'rare' which biased results and therefore it was unlikely that a real deterioration in water quality occurred. Furthermore, the SQMCIs scores were not significantly different among the three sites or to their respective historic medians indicating typical results with no deterioration in water quality.

The MCI scores for all the Mangaone Stream sites indicated that the macroinvertebrate communities were in 'poor' health. Results were not significantly different to historic medians but the two upstream sites did have non-significant decreases (by 7 MCI units). Sedimentation at sites 12 and 16 may have depressed the MCI scores. This was possibly due to cattle causing soil erosion near the stream in the upper catchment as noted in the previous survey. There was widespread periphyton at the lower sites indicative of nutrient enrichment and possibly lack of significant flushing flows.

The SQMCI<sub>S</sub> scores were not significantly different from each other except for site 16. There was a distinct significant decrease of SQMCI<sub>S</sub> score at site 16 compared with the 'control' site score and its historic median. This low score was due to the 'very abundant' highly 'tolerant' oligochate worms at the site which was possibly due to the increase in silt at the site which oligochate worms prefer.

Overall, the results indicated that discharges from the industrial area were not having a significant negative effect on the macroinvertebrate communities in the lower Waiwhakaiho River. The Mangaone Stream sites indicated no recent toxic discharges but sedimentation in the upper catchment and nutrient enrichment in the lower catchment was potentially affecting sites in the surveyed reach.

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# Biomonitoring of the Lower Waiwhakaiho River and the Mangaone Stream in the Fitzroy Industrial Area, February 2017 Introduction

This was the first of two scheduled surveys in the 2016-2017 monitoring programme, for the combined industries of the Fitzroy industrial area. There was a delay in the survey programme due to persistent heavy rain which lead to the spring 2016 survey being postponed. A second survey will now be conducted in the autumn 2017 period. Results from surveys performed since the 2000-2001 monitoring years are discussed in several reports referenced at the end of this report. The monitoring related to the wastewater/stormwater discharge permits tabulated below:

Consent holder	Consent No.
Ravensdown	3140, 3865
Firth Industries	0392
NPDC (Stormwater)	3138, 1126, 1275
NPDC (Bewley Road)	4984
NZ Railways Corporation	1735, 3528
Katere Stores Limited	4548
Allied Concrete Ltd	4539
Taranaki Sawmills	3491
Technix Group Ltd	0021, 0291, 2230
Downer EDI Works	3917

#### Method

On 15 February 2017, the standard '400 ml kick sampling' technique was used to collect streambed macroinvertebrates from three sites in the lower Waiwhakaiho River and from four sites in the Mangaone Stream, while the standard '400 ml sweep-sampling' technique was used to collect streambed macroinvertebrates from site 12 in the Mangaone Stream (Table 1, Figure 1). The 'sweep-net- sampling technique is very similar to Protocol C2 (soft-bottomed, semi-quantitative), and the 'kick-sampling' technique is very similar to Protocol C1 (hard-bottomed, semi-quantitative), of the New Zealand Macroinvertebrate Working Group (NZMWG) protocols for macroinvertebrate samples in wadeable streams (Stark *et al*, 2001).

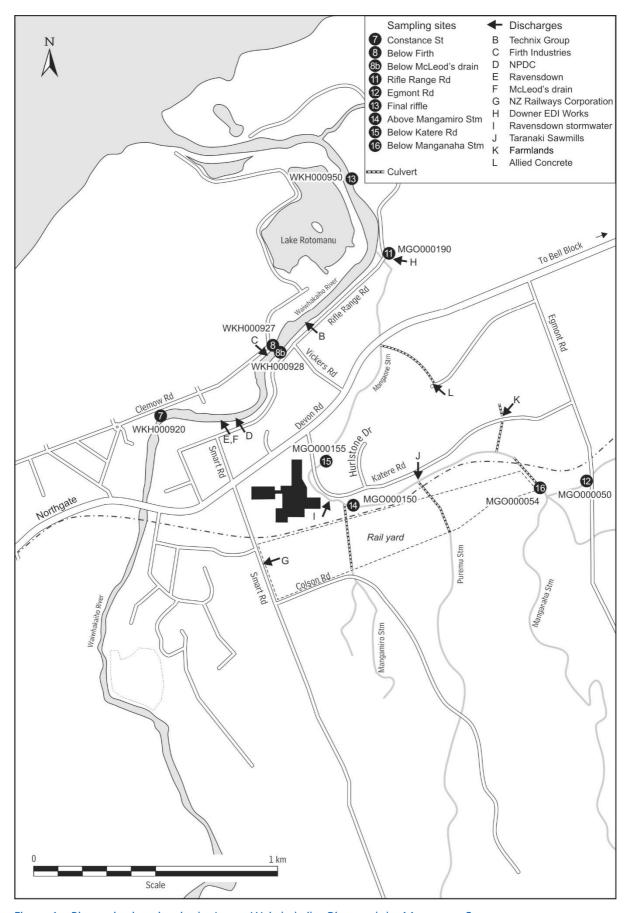


Figure 1 Biomonitoring sites in the Lower Waiwhakaiho River and the Mangaone Stream

The three sites from the Waiwhakaiho River used in this survey have been sampled biannually in recent years. In the Mangaone Stream, two sites have been sampled biannually, with three further sites (14, 15 and 16) added since February 2005 and sampled under the same regime.

Table 1 Biomonitoring sites in the Lower Waiwhakaiho River and the Mangaone Stream

Site No	Site code	Grid reference	Location
7	WKH000920	E1695827	Waiwhakaiho River, Constance Street
		N5677271	Walwilakalilo River, Constance Street
8	WKH000927	E1696271	Waiwhakaiho River, below Firth industries, west (left) bank
0	VVK11000321	N5677512	walwhakamo river, below ritti industries, west (left) bank
13	WKH000950	E1696587	Waiwhakaiho River, final riffle downstream of Lake Rotomanu
13	VVKI1000330	N5678336	walwhakamo Niver, imai imie downstream of Lake Rotomand
12	MGO000050	E1697624	Mangaone Stream, Egmont Road
12	Wideoooso	N5677106	Mangaone Stream, Egmont Noad
16	MGO000054	E1697312	Mangaone Stream, 20m d/s of Manganaha Stream confluence
10	Wide Cooks 1	N5677049	Mangaone Sacam, 2011 475 of Manganana Sacam connactice
14	MGO000150	E1696612	Mangaone Stream, 300m d/s confluence with Puremu Stream
	WIGG000130	N5676949	mangaone sacam, soom a, s connachee wan i arema sacam
15	MGO000155	E1696463	Mangaone Stream, 100m d/s fertiliser depot
		N5677090	mangaone oa early room a/s termiser depot
11	MGO000190	E1696773	Mangaone Stream, Rifle Range Road
	N5677968		mangaone da can, rane nange nota

Samples were preserved with Kahle's Fluid for later sorting and identification under a stereomicroscope according to Taranaki Regional Council methodology using protocol P1 of

NZMWG protocols for sampling macroinvertebrates in wadeable streams (Stark et al. 2001). Macroinvertebrate taxa abundances scored based on the categories presented in Table 1.

Table 2 Macroinvertebrate abundance categories

Abundance category	Number of individuals
R (rare)	1-4
C (common)	5-19
A (abundant)	20-99
VA (very abundant)	100-499
XA (extremely abundant)	500+

Stark (1985) developed a scoring system for macroinvertebrate taxa according to their sensitivity to organic pollution in stony New Zealand streams. Highly 'sensitive' taxa were assigned the highest scores of 9 or 10, while the most 'tolerant' forms scored 1. Sensitivity scores for certain taxa have been modified in accordance with Taranaki experience. Averaging the scores assigned to the taxa found at a site, and

multiplying the average by a scaling factor of 20 produces a Macroinvertebrate Community Index (MCI) value. A gradation of biological water quality conditions based upon MCI ranges which has been adapted for Taranaki streams and rivers (TRC, 2013) from Stark's classification (Stark, 1985 and Boothroyd and Stark, 2000) (Table 2). A difference of 10.83 units or more in MCI values is considered significantly different (Stark 1998).

The MCI was designed as a measure of the overall sensitivity of macroinvertebrate communities to the effects of organic pollution. MCI results can also reflect the effects of warm temperatures, slow current speeds and low dissolved oxygen levels, because the taxa capable of tolerating these conditions generally have low sensitivity scores. Usually more 'sensitive' communities (with higher MCI values) inhabit less polluted waterways. The use of this index in non-stony streams (such as the Mangaone Stream site 12) is possible if results are related to physical habitat (e.g. good quality muddy/weedy sites tend to produce lower MCI values than good quality stony sites).

Table 3 Macroinvertebrate health based on MCI ranges which has been adapted for Taranaki streams and rivers (TRC, 2015) from Stark's classification (Stark, 1985, Boothroyd and Stark, 2000, and Stark and Maxted, 2007)

Grading	MCI
Excellent	>140
Very Good	120-140
Good	100-119
Fair	80-99
Poor	60-79
Very Poor	<60

A semi-quantitative MCI value (SQMCI<sub>S</sub>) has also been calculated for the taxa present at each site by multiplying each taxon score by a loading factor (related to its abundance), totalling these products, and dividing by the sum of the loading factors (Stark, 1998 and 1999. The loading factors were 1 for rare (R), 5 for common (C), 20 for abundant (A), 100 for very abundant (VA) and 500 for extremely abundant (XA). Unlike the MCI, the SQMCI<sub>S</sub> is not multiplied by a scaling factor of 20, therefore SQMCI<sub>S</sub> values range from 1 to 10, while MCI values range from 20 to 200. A difference of 0.83 units or more in SQMCI<sub>S</sub> values is considered significantly different (Stark 1998).

#### Results

# Site habitat characteristics and hydrology

This summer survey was performed under moderate flow conditions (close to the median flow of 3930 l/s), 10 days after a fresh in excess of both 3 times median flow and 12 days after a fresh of 7 times median flow (flow gauge at the Waiwhakaiho River at Egmont Village). The survey followed a relatively wet summer period with four very significant river freshes recorded over the preceding month. Water temperature was in the range 16.3-17.2°C. The Waiwhakaiho River sites had uncoloured, clear water. The upper Mangaone Stream sites (sites 12 and 16) also had clear, uncoloured water while the lower sites (sites 14, 15 and 11) had uncoloured, cloudy water. Only site 12 had partial bed shading while all other sites were unshaded.

Substrate composition is displayed in Table 4 and other environmental variables found within the river are displayed in Table 5.

Table 4 Substrate composition at the eight sites surveyed

Site No	Silt	Sand	Fine gravel	Course gravel	Cobble	Boulder	Bedrock	Hard clay	Wood/ root	Concrete/ gabion
7		5	10	15	65	10				
8		5	5	10	40	40				
13		5	5	10	60	20				
12	100									
16	5	80	10						5	
14	20	5	10	5	40	20				
15	5	5	5	5	70	10				
11	5	5	10	10	60	10				

Table 5 Algal, plants, debris and silt found on the streambed

Site No	Algal mats	Algal filaments	Moss	Leaves	Wood	Aquatic plants	Iron oxide/ silt coating
7	Patchy	Patchy	None	None	None	None	None
8	Widespread	Patchy	None	None	None	None	None
13	Patchy	Patchy	None	None	None	None	None
12	None	None	None	None	None	On bed	None
16	None	None	None	None	Patchy	On bed	None
14	Widespread	Widespread	None	None	None	On bed	Silt
15	Widespread	Widespread	None	None	None	On bed	None
11	Widespread	Patchy	None	None	None	Edges only	Silt

#### Macroinvertebrate communities

A summary of taxa numbers and MCI values from previous surveys performed in the Waiwhakaiho River and the Mangaone Stream in relation to the Fitzroy industrial area are presented in Table 6 together with current results. The full results of the survey are presented in Table 7 (Waiwhakaiho River) and Table 8 (Mangaone Stream).

Table 6 Numbers of taxa and MCI and  $SQMCI_S$  values recorded in previous surveys performed in the Waiwhakaiho River (sites 7, 8 and 13) and Mangaone Stream (sites 12, 16, 14, 15 and 11) since July 1983 in relation to the Fitzroy industrial area, together with the results of the survey of 15 February 2017

		No of taxa				MCI value			SQM	CI <sub>s</sub> value	
Site No.	N	Median	Range	Current survey	Median	Range	Current survey	N	Median	Range	Current
7	60	20	12-29	13	90	66-110	94	36	3.3	1.7-7.3	4.5
8	58	21	13-30	19	87	69-115	92	36	3.3	1.8-6.3	2.8
13	51	20	12-30	21	87	67-111	92	36	2.9	1.6-7.4	2.9
12	48	18	8-28	10	81	66-95	74	36	4.4	2.4-4.9	4.6
16	31	19	3-30	17	85	47-103	93	28	4.2	1.2-5.5	4.2
14	33	15	6-28	12	69	53-95	58	29	2.5	1.1-3.7	3.6
15	25	14	7-23	16	68	48-81	68	24	2.5	1.5-3.8	3.7
11	53	13	4-21	13	66	50-85	65	36	2.0	1.5-3.6	3.1

Table 7 Macroinvertebrate fauna of the Waiwhakaiho River in relation to the Fitzroy industrial area sampled on 15 February 2017

Site Code   Sample Number   Score   WKH000920   WKH000927   WKI   Sample Number   Score   FWBI7071   FWBI7072   FW   FWBI7072   FWBI7072   FWBI7072   FWBI7072   FWBI7072		Site Number	MCI	7	8	13
Sample Number	Taxa List	Site Code		WKH000920	WKH000927	WKH000950
ANNELIDA (WORMS)  MOLLUSCA  Melanopsis  3		Sample Number	score	FWB17071	FWB17072	FWB17073
MOLLUSCA   Melanopsis   3	NEMERTEA	Nemertea	3	-	-	R
Potamopyrgus	ANNELIDA (WORMS)	Oligochaeta	1	R	С	R
CRUSTACEA         Paratya         3         -         -           EPHEMEROPTERA (MAYFLIES)         Austroclima         7         -         R           Coloburiscus         7         -         -         -           Deleatidium         8         A         R         -           PLECOPTERA (STONEFLIES)         Zelandoperla         8         R         -         -           COLEOPTERA (BEETLES)         Elmidae         6         C         C         C         -           Hydraenidae         8         -	MOLLUSCA	Melanopsis	3	-	-	R
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Coloburiscus	CRUSTACEA	Paratya	3	-	-	С
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R = Rare C = Common A = Abundant VA = Very Abundant XA = Extremely Abundant

#### Waiwhakaiho River

#### Constance Street (site 7)

A moderately low macroinvertebrate community richness of 13 taxa was found at site 7 ('control' site), upstream of all discharges from the Fitzroy industrial area at the time of this summer survey. This was seven taxa lower than the historical median for this site and five taxa lower than the previous survey on 16 March 2016 (Table 6 and Figure 2).

The MCI score of 94 units indicated a community of 'fair' biological health which was not significantly higher (Stark, 1998) than the historical median MCI score of 90 units. The current MCI score was also not significantly different (Stark, 1998) to the preceding survey (93 units) and to the median score for a waterbody arising from the National Park close to sea level (MCI of 90 units) (TRC, 2016) (Table 6 and Figure 2).

The SQMCI<sub>S</sub> score of 4.5 units was significantly higher (Stark, 1998) to the historical median SQMCI<sub>S</sub> score of 3.3 units and to the previous score of 2.8 units (Stark, 1998) (Table 6).

The community was characterised by two 'tolerant' 'taxa [orthoclad midges and sandflies (*Austrosimulium*)] and one 'highly sensitive' taxon [mayfly (*Deleatidium*)] (Table 7).

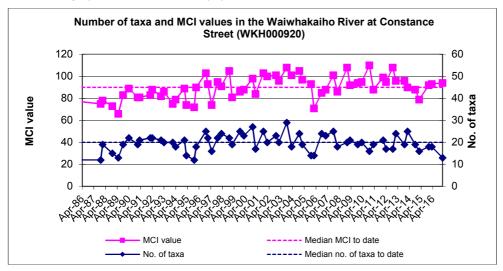


Figure 2 Numbers of taxa and MCI values for Waiwhakaiho River at Constance Street since 1987

#### Below Firth Industries, left bank (site 8)

A moderate macroinvertebrate community richness of 19 taxa was found at site 8 at the time of this summer survey. This was two taxa lower than the historical median for this site and the same number as the previous survey (Table 6 and Figure 3).

The MCI score of 92 units indicated a community of 'fair' biological health which was not significantly different (Stark, 1998) to the historical median MCI score of 87 units. The MCI score was also not significantly different (Stark, 1998) to the preceding survey (83 units) and to the median score for a waterbody arising from the National Park close to sea level (MCI of 90 units) (TRC, 2016) (Table 6 and Figure 3).

The SQMCI<sub>S</sub> score of 2.8 units was not significantly different (Stark, 1998) to the historical median SQMCI<sub>S</sub> score of 3.3 units and to the previous score of 2.3 units (Stark, 1998) (Table 6).

The community was characterised by three 'tolerant' 'taxa [orthoclad midges and caddisflies (*Hydropsyche/Aoteapsyche* and *Oxyethira*)] (Table 7).

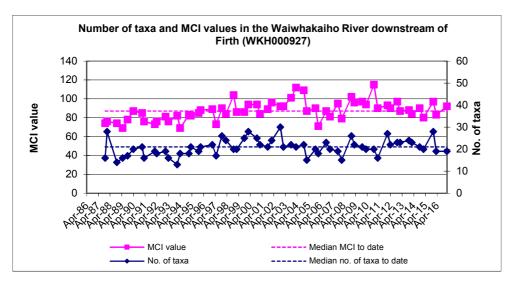


Figure 3 Numbers of taxa and MCI values for Waiwhakaiho River below Firth Industries (left bank) since 1987 Downstream of Lake Rotomanu (site 13)

A moderate macroinvertebrate community richness of 21 taxa was found at site 13 at the time of this summer survey. This was one taxon higher than the historical median for this site and two taxa higher than the previous survey (19 taxa) (Table 6 and Figure 4).

The MCI score of 92 units indicated a community of 'fair' biological health which was not significantly different (Stark, 1998) to the historical median MCI score of 87 units. The MCI score was also not significantly different (Stark, 1998) to the preceding survey (99 units) and to the median score for a waterbody arising from the National Park close to sea level (MCI of 90 units) (TRC, 2015) (Table 6 and Figure 4).

The SQMCI<sub>S</sub> score of 2.9 units was the same as the historical median SQMCI<sub>S</sub> score and not significantly different to the previous survey (3.6 units) (Stark, 1998) (Table 6).

The community was characterised by three 'tolerant' 'taxa [caddisfly (*Hydropsyche/Aoteapsyche*) and midges (*Maoridiamesa* and Orthocladiinae)] (Table 7).

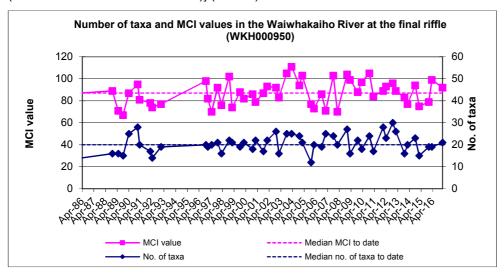


Figure 4 Numbers of taxa and MCI values for Waiwhakaiho River d/s of Lake Rotomanu since 1987

### Mangaone Stream

Macroinvertebrate samples collected from the two sites at the upper (site 12) and lower (site 11) ends of the surveyed reach in the Mangaone Stream in the past have found distinctly different community compositions at the two sites with much of the variation due to the streambed habitat differences, i.e. sandy-weedy, softer substrate at the upstream site (site 12 at Egmont Road) and harder, stony-gravel substrate at the downstream site (site 11 at Rifle Range Road). Additional sites have been sampled in recent years (in the reach between these historically surveyed sites) to ascertain why poor water quality is indicated at site 11 at Rifle Range Road despite the improvement in habitat when compared to site 12 upstream of all the industrial discharges.

Table 8 Macroinvertebrate fauna of the Mangaone Stream in relation to the Fitzroy industrial area sampled on 15 February 2017

	Site Number	MCI	12	16	14	15	11
Taxa List	Site Code	MCI	MGO000050	MGO000054	MGO000150	MGO000155	MGO000190
	Sample Number	score	FWB17076	FWB17077	FWB17078	FWB17079	FWB17080
COELENTERATA	Coelenterata	3	-	-	-	R	-
PLATYHELMINTHES (FLATWORMS)	Cura	3	-	-	-	-	R
NEMERTEA	Nemertea	3	-	R	-	R	С
ANNELIDA (WORMS)	Oligochaeta	1	R	С	С	Α	А
MOLLUSCA	Physa	3	-	-	R	С	-
	Potamopyrgus	4	А	VA	VA	XA	VA
	Sphaeriidae	3	-	R	-	R	-
CRUSTACEA	Ostracoda	1	С	-	С	А	А
	Paracalliope	5	VA	VA	Α	А	-
	Talitridae	5	-	R	-	-	-
EPHEMEROPTERA (MAYFLIES)	Austroclima	7	R	С	-	R	-
	Coloburiscus	7	-	С	-	_	-
	Zephlebia group	7	-	С	-	-	-
COLEOPTERA (BEETLES)	Elmidae	6	-	R	R	R	-
MEGALOPTERA (DOBSONFLIES)	Archichauliodes	7	-	-	-	-	R
TRICHOPTERA (CADDISFLIES)	Ecnomidae/Psychomyiidae	6	R	-	-	-	-
	Hydrobiosis	5	-	С	-	-	R
	Hydropsyche (Orthopsyche)	9	-	R	-	-	-
	Oxyethira	2	-	-	С	С	С
	Paroxyethira	2	-	-	R	-	-
	Triplectides	5	С	Α	-	-	-
DIPTERA (TRUE FLIES)	Aphrophila	5	-	-	-	-	С
	Maoridiamesa	3	-	-	R	-	С
	Orthocladiinae	2	R	R	Α	Α	А
	Polypedilum	3	R	R	R	R	R
	Empididae	3	R	-	-	-	-
	Muscidae	3	-	-	С	R	С
	Austrosimulium	3	-	VA	-	R	-
	Tanyderidae	4	-	R	-	-	-
ACARINA (MITES)	Acarina	5	-	-	-	R	-
	N	o of taxa	10	17	12	16	13
		MCI	74	93	58	68	65
		SQMCIs	4.6	4.2	3.6	3.7	3.1
	E	EPT (taxa)	3	6	0	1	1
	%E	PT (taxa)	30	35	0	6	8
'Tolerant' taxa	'Moderately sensitive' taxa			'Highly s	ensitive' taxa		

#### Egmont Road (site 12)

A moderately low macroinvertebrate community richness of ten taxa was found at site 12 ('control' site) at the time of this summer survey. This was eight taxa lower than the historical median for this site and seven taxa lower than the previous survey (17 taxa) (Table 6 and Figure 5).

The MCI score of 74 units indicated a community of 'poor' biological health which was not significantly different to the historical median MCI score (81 units) and to the preceding survey score (81 units). The score was also not significantly different from the median score recorded from other lowland coastal streams (MCI of 79 units) (TRC, 2016) (Table 6 and Figure 5).

The SQMCI<sub>S</sub> score of 4.6 units was not significantly different (Stark, 1998) to the historical median SQMCI<sub>S</sub> score of 4.4 units but was significantly higher than the previous survey (2.3 units) (Stark, 1998) (Table 6).

The community was characterised by one 'moderately sensitive' taxon [amphipod (Paracalliope)] (Table 8).

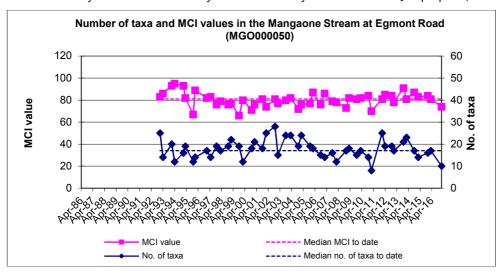


Figure 5 Number of taxa and MCI values for Mangaone Stream at Egmont Road since 1992

## 20m downstream of Manganaha Stream confluence (site 16)

A moderate macroinvertebrate community richness of 17 taxa was found at site 16 at the time of this summer survey. This was two taxa lower than the historical median for this site and one taxon higher than the previous survey (16 taxa) (Table 6 and Figure 6).

The MCI score of 93 units indicated a community of 'fair' biological health which was not significantly different (Stark, 1998) to the historical median MCI (85 units) but was significantly higher than the preceding survey (76 units). The score was also significantly higher than the median score recorded from other lowland coastal streams (MCI of 79 units) (TRC, 2015) (Table 6 and Figure 6).

The SQMCI<sub>S</sub> score of 4.2 units was the same as the historical median SQMCI<sub>S</sub> score of 4.2 units and significantly higher than the previous survey (2.3 units units) (Stark, 1998) (Table 6).

The community was characterised by two tolerant' taxa [snail (*Potamopyrgus*) and sandfly (*Austrosimulium*)] and one 'moderately sensitive' taxon [amphipod (*Paracalliope*)] (Table 8).

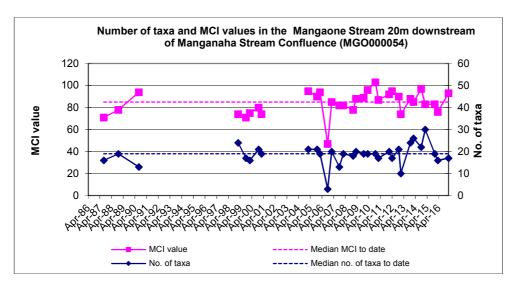


Figure 6 Numbers of taxa and MCI values for the Mangaone Stream downstream of the confluence with Manganaha Stream since 1987

#### Mangaone Stream 300m downstream of Puremu Stream confluence (site 14)

A moderately low macroinvertebrate community richness of 12 taxa was found at site 14 at the time of this summer survey. This was three taxa lower than the historical median for this site and four taxa lower than the previous survey (16 taxa) (Table 6 and Figure 7). Previous reports have suggested that the sporadic observations of low community richnesses at this site may have been related to preceding toxic discharges.

The MCI score of 58 units indicated a community of 'very poor' biological health (the lowest grading) which was significantly lower (Stark, 1998) than the historical median MCI (69 units) but not to the preceding survey (64 units). The score was significantly lower than the median score recorded from other lowland coastal streams (MCI of 79 units) (TRC, 2015) (Table 6 and Figure 7).

The SQMCI<sub>S</sub> score of 3.6 units was significantly higher (Stark, 1998) than the historical median SQMCI<sub>S</sub> score of 2.5 units and to the previous survey (2.4 units) (Stark, 1998) (Table 6).

The community was characterised by two tolerant' taxa [snail (*Potamopyrgus*) and midge (Orthocladiinae)] and one 'moderately sensitive' taxon [amphipod (*Paracalliope*)] (Table 8).

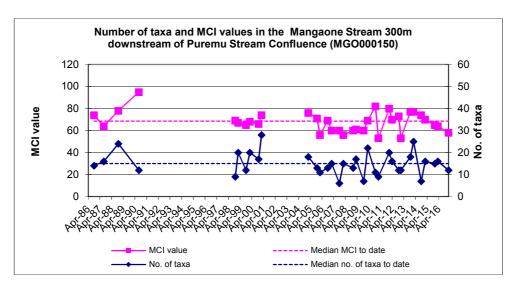


Figure 7 Numbers of taxa and MCI values for Mangaone Stream downstream of the confluence with Puremu Stream since 1986

#### 100 m downstream of the fertilizer depot (site 15)

A moderate macroinvertebrate community richness of 16 taxa was found at site 15 at the time of this summer survey. This was two taxa higher than the historical median for this site and three taxa higher than the previous survey (13 taxa) (Table 6 and Figure 8).

The MCI score of 68 units indicated a community of 'poor' biological health which was the same as the historical median MCI (68 units) but not significantly different to the preceding survey (58 units). The score was significantly lower than the median score recorded from other lowland coastal streams (MCI of 79 units) (TRC, 2016) (Table 6 and Figure 8).

The SQMCI<sub>S</sub> score of 3.7 units was significantly higher (Stark, 1998) than the historical median SQMCI<sub>S</sub> score of 2.5 units and to the previous survey (2.2 units) (Stark, 1998) (Table 6).

The community was characterised by four tolerant' taxa [oligochaete worms, snail (*Potamopyrgus*), seed shrimp (Ostracoda) and midge (Orthocladiinae)] and one 'moderately sensitive' taxon [amphipod (*Paracalliope*)] (Table 8).

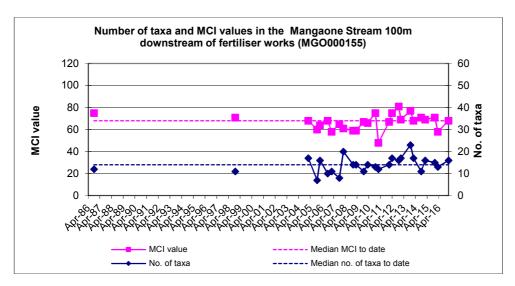


Figure 8 Numbers of taxa and MCI values for Mangaone Stream 100 m downstream of the fertilizer works/depot since 1986

#### Rifle Range Road (site 11)

A moderately low macroinvertebrate community richness of 13 taxa was found at site 11 at the time of this summer survey. This was the same number as the historical median for this site and five taxa lower than the previous survey (Table 6 and Figure 9).

The MCI score of 65 units indicated a community of 'poor' biological health which was not significantly different (Stark, 1998) to the historical median MCI (66 units) and the preceding survey (70 units). The score was significantly lower than the median score recorded from other lowland coastal streams (MCI of 79 units) (TRC, 2015) (Table 6 and Figure 9).

The SQMCI<sub>S</sub> score of 3.1 units was significantly higher (Stark, 1998) than the historical median SQMCI<sub>S</sub> score of 2.0 units and but not significantly different to the previous survey (2.9 units) (Stark, 1998) (Table 6).

The community was characterised by four 'tolerant' taxa [oligochaete worms, snail (*Potamopyrgus*), seed shrimps (Ostracoda), and orthoclad midges] (Table 8).

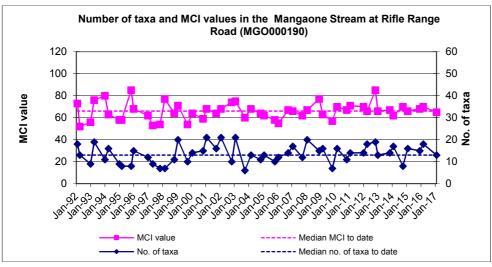
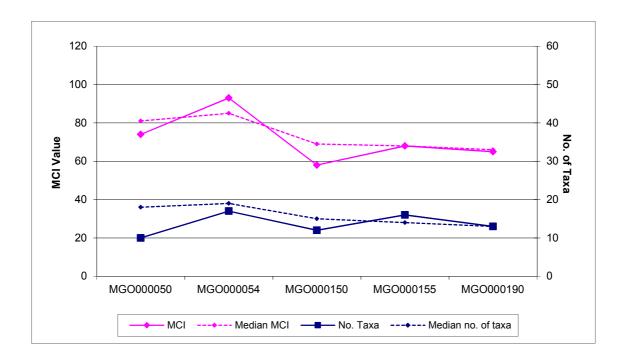


Figure 9 Numbers of taxa and MCI values for Mangaone Stream at Rifle Range Road since 1992

# Overview of Mangaone Stream sites

The longitudinal trends in the number of taxa, MCI and SQMCI<sub>s</sub> values along the reach of the Mangaone Stream surveyed in February 2017 are illustrated in Figure 10.



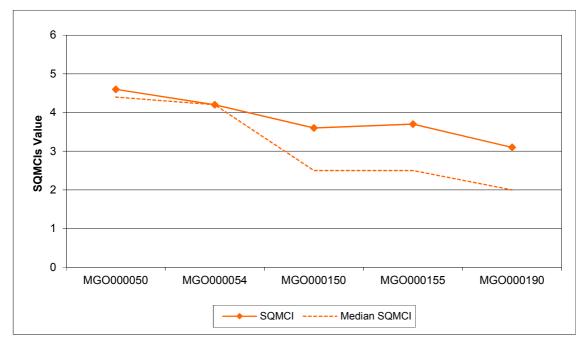


Figure 10 Longitudinal trend in number of taxa, MCI and SQMCI<sub>s</sub> values in the Mangaone Stream for the survey of 15 February 2017

Unlike typically recorded, the upstream site 12 recorded the lowest number of taxa (10) of the five sites survey and was the only site with a taxa richness significantly different to the historical median (by 9 taxa).

There was no obvious upstream to downstream pattern and the four most downstream sites had taxa richnesses similar to historic medians (0-3 taxa). The MCI was variable, but showed a slight decreasing trend with the two highest scores recorded in the two most upstream sites. MCI scores were not significantly different from historical median scores except for site 14 (middle site) which was just (by 11 units) significantly lower than the historical median.

When considering changes in community structure, the SQMCI<sub>S</sub> scores (which take into account abundances within taxa, as well as their sensitivity to pollution) were found to follow a relatively similar pattern to the MCI scores with scores generally decreasing in a downstream direction. However, the three bottom sites had scores that were significantly higher than historical medians indicating significantly healthier than normal macroinvertebrate communities.

#### Discussion and conclusions

Macroinvertebrate richnesses among the three Waiwhakaiho River sites were slightly different with the upstream most site having less taxa than the historic median (7 taxa) and two most downstream sites (6-8 taxa). Though taxa richness was moderately low (13 taxa) it was not sufficiently low enough to indicate any significant toxic discharges had occurred upstream. Furthermore, the site was upstream of any influence of the Mangaone Stream and the two further downstream sites had normal (with 1-2 taxa) taxa richnesses.

Macroinvertebrate richnesses among the five Mangaone Stream sites were relatively normal except for a lower than normal score at the most upstream site. This site is upstream of the industrial area and is unlikely to be affected by toxic discharges. However, at the time of the survey nearby cattle appeared to be causing erosion that would result in sediment entering the waterway which could have a negative effect on taxa richness. The four most downstream sites had taxa richnesses similar to historic medians (0-3 taxa) which were at moderate to moderately low levels indicating that there had been no recent acute toxic discharges into the Mangaone Stream. Taxa richness is the most robust index when ascertaining whether a macroinvertebrate community has been exposed to toxic discharges. Macroinvertebrates when exposed to toxic chemicals may die or deliberately drift downstream thus potentially lowering taxa richness at a site. It had been previously reported that Taranaki sawmills discharged stormwater to the Mangaone Stream between sites 16 and 14, and sediment sampling undertaken in early 2009 had recorded significant concentrations of not only tributyltin in the stream sediments around Taranaki Sawmills, but also elevated concentrations of arsenic, chromium, copper and zinc, all potentially toxic to aquatic biota (see BJ192). Previously, there had been increased sedimentation between sites 16 and 14. Further sediment sampling undertaken in April 2012 and early March 2014, showed less contamination than that recorded in 2009.

MCI scores for the three Waiwhakaiho River sites were typical for the sites and indicated that the macroinvertebrate communities were in 'fair' health with very similar (0-2 units) MCI scores among site. However, the SQMCI<sub>S</sub> scores for the two lower sites were significantly lower than uppermost site (site 7). However, this was due to site 7 having a significantly higher than normal SQMCI<sub>S</sub> score rather than lower than normal scores for the two most downstream sites. SQMCI<sub>S</sub> scores indicated that the upper site was in 'fair' health while the two downstream sites were in 'poor' health (Stark and Maxted, 2007 which was in contrast to the MCI scores which indicated 'fair' health at both lower sites. However, this result was typical for the Waiwhakaiho River sites with historic MCI medians indicating 'fair' health at all three sites while historic SQMCI<sub>S</sub> medians indicating 'poor' health. The MCI scores indicated that there was no evidence that discharges had had a significant detrimental impact on the macroinvertebrate communities of the Waiwhakaiho River though the SQMCI<sub>S</sub> scores suggested some nutrient enrichment at the lower two sites. A large, blackbacked gull colony exists in the lower Waiwhakaiho River which may be contributing to nutrient enrichment at the two lower sites.

The MCI score for site 16 for the Mangaone Stream indicated that the macroinvertebrate community was in 'fair' health which was typical for this site and was significantly higher than the other four sites which were all in 'poor' health. This result for the upper most site (site 12) was atypical as the site was usually in 'fair'

health and not significantly different to site 16. Sedimentation at site 12 which may have affected taxa richness may also have depressed the MCI score as well. Site 12 had a significantly higher MCI score than site 14 (typical result), but not sites 15 and 11 (atypical result) but this was largely due to site 14 having a significantly lower MCI than normal (11 less than the historic mean). Significant amounts of both algal mats and filamentous algae were noted at the site during the survey which would favour a macroinvertebrate community that prefers eutrophic conditions but periphyton was just as widespread at site 15 and was relatively normal for the site in summer conditions.

SQMCl<sub>s</sub> scores were only partially congruent with MCl scores for the Mangaone Stream. Site 12 had the highest SQMCl<sub>s</sub> score but this was not significantly different to site 16 which had the second highest SQMCl<sub>s</sub> score but highest MCl score. The three downstream sites had significantly higher SQMCl<sub>s</sub> scores compared with historic medians. The higher SQMCl<sub>s</sub> scores were largely the result of the 'tolerant' snail (*Potamopyrgus*) dominating the macroinvertebrate communities at the three lower sites. *Potamopyrgus* has a tolerance value of 4 which is only one unit below being 'moderately sensitive'. Normally *Potamopyrgus* snails are highly abundant at the three sites but so are several other very low scoring taxa (e.g. oligochaete worms, ostracod seed shrimp, *Oxyethira* caddisfly etc.) which were not as abundant as *Potamopyrgus* in this survey.

Earlier surveys including the preceding survey on March 2016 have noted extensive filamentous algal growth at site 14. Widespread algal mats and filamentous algae growths were present at the time of the current survey and aquatic vegetation was also present on the streambed. Previous reports (TRC, 2015) have suggested that the riffle may have become more stable due to an upstream flood retention scheme reducing freshes. The low MCI score and high periphyton biomass was probably a result of a combination of inadequate flushing flows despite relatively recent large freshes preceding the survey, and nutrient enrichment upstream. A possible source of the nutrient enrichment were groundwater inputs linked to the fertiliser depot situated upstream of site 14 but other industries occur upstream of the site which could also be contributing to poor water quality.

Overall, the results indicated that discharges from the industrial area was not having a significant negative effect on the macroinvertebrate communities in the lower Waiwhakaiho River and upper Mangaone Stream but the lower Mangaone Stream sites had communities in 'poor' health but with moderate to moderately low taxa richness suggesting nutrient enrichment is affecting the three lower sites.

# **Summary**

The Council's standard 'kick sampling' and 'sweep-net' sampling techniques were used to collect streambed macroinvertebrates at five sites in the Mangaone Stream and three sites in the Waiwhakaiho River on 15 February 2017, in order to assess whether discharges from the Lower Waiwhakaiho Industrial area had had any adverse effects on the macroinvertebrate communities of these streams. Samples were processed to provide number of taxa (richness), MCI and SQMCI<sub>S</sub> scores for each site.

The MCI is a measure of the overall sensitivity of the macroinvertebrate community to the effects of organic pollution in stony streams. It is based on the presence/absence of taxa with varying degrees of sensitivity to environmental conditions. The SQMCI<sub>S</sub> takes into account taxa abundances as well as sensitivity to pollution. It may indicate subtle changes in communities, and therefore be the more relevant index if non-organic impacts are occurring. Significant differences in either the MCI or SQMCI<sub>S</sub> between sites indicate the degree of adverse effects (if any) of the discharges being monitored.

This survey found that all Waiwhakaiho River sampling sites recorded moderate to moderately low community richnesses similar to long term medians for their respective sites though the upper most site had a small decrease of seven taxa compared to the historic median, with a very slight trend of increasing richness in a downstream direction. MCI scores were not significantly (Stark, 1998) different among sites or to historical medians. The SQMCI<sub>S</sub> score at site 7 was significant higher than the historical median and as a

result significantly higher than sites 8 and 13 which had typical SQMCI<sub>S</sub> scores. These results did not indicate significant effects of stormwater or wastewater discharges from the Fitzroy industrial area on the macroinvertebrate communities of the Waiwhakaiho River.

The Mangaone Stream sampling sites recorded moderate to moderately low community richnesses similar to long term medians for their respective sites indicating that there had not been significant toxic discharges occurring. The macroinvertebrate community at site 16 was in the Mangaone Stream was of 'fair' health while the upper most 'control' site and the three most downstream sites were in 'poor' health. MCI scores were significantly different to historical median scores except for 16 which had a significantly higher score.

The SQMCI<sub>s</sub> scores were largely congruent with MCI scores except that the 'control' site was rated as being in 'fair' health instead of 'poor' health. Like previous surveys there was a general decline in macroinvertebrate health in a downstream direction in the Mangaone Stream with the two upper sites in 'fair' health while the three lower sites were in 'poor' health (Stark and Maxted, 2007). However, unlike the MCI scores, the SQMCI<sub>s</sub> scores were significantly higher than historical medians at the three most downstream sites. This was largely due to the lower abundances of several very low scoring taxa that were normally highly abundant at the sites.

Overall, the results indicated that discharges from the industrial area was not having a negative effect on the macroinvertebrate communities in the lower Waiwhakaiho River but there was evidence that discharges were having a negative effect on macroinvertebrate communities present in the lower Mangaone Stream. Groundwater inputs may have contributed to some of this deterioration recorded immediately downstream of the fertiliser depot but other industries may also be contributing to poor water quality in the lower reaches of the Mangaone Stream.

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# Appendix III

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SPv1

Client:

Taranaki Regional Council

Contact: Scott Cowperthwaite

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Private Bag 713 Stratford 4352

Lab No: 1777376 **Date Received:** 18-May-2017 **Date Reported:** 12-Jun-2017 **Quote No:** 58029

Order No:

64439 **Client Reference:** Taranaki Sawmills Discharges

Submitted By: Scott Cowperthwaite

Sample Type: Aqueous						
	ample Name:	171766	171767			
			17-May-2017 9:05			
		am	am			
Individual Tests	Lab Number:	1777376.1	1777376.2			
		0.00050	0.0007			
Total Tin	g/m³	< 0.00053	0.0037	-	-	-
Total Zinc	g/m³	0.29	0.46	-	-	-
Organonitro&phosphorus Pestic						
Acetochlor	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Alachlor	g/m³	< 0.0003	< 0.0003	-	-	-
Atrazine	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Atrazine-desethyl	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Atrazine-desisopropyl	g/m³	< 0.0007	< 0.0007	-	-	-
Azaconazole	g/m³	< 0.0002	< 0.0002	-	-	-
Azinphos-methyl	g/m³	< 0.0007	< 0.0007	-	-	-
Benalaxyl	g/m³	< 0.0002	< 0.0002	-	-	-
Bitertanol	g/m³	< 0.0007	< 0.0007	-	-	-
Bromacil	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Bromopropylate	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Butachlor	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Captan	g/m³	< 0.0007	< 0.0007	-	-	-
Carbaryl	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Carbofuran	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Chlorfluazuron	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Chlorothalonil	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Chlorpyrifos	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Chlorpyrifos-methyl	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Chlortoluron	g/m³	< 0.0007	< 0.0007	-	-	-
Cyanazine	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Cyfluthrin	g/m³	< 0.0005	< 0.0005	-	-	-
Cyhalothrin	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Cypermethrin	g/m³	< 0.0009	< 0.0009	-	-	-
Deltamethrin (including Tralomet	thrin) g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Diazinon	g/m³	< 0.0002	< 0.0002	-	-	-
Dichlofluanid	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Dichloran	g/m³	< 0.002	< 0.002	-	-	-
Dichlorvos	g/m³	< 0.0007	< 0.0007	-	-	-
Difenoconazole	g/m³	< 0.0007	< 0.0007	-	-	-
Dimethoate	g/m³	< 0.0007	< 0.0007	-	-	-
Diphenylamine	g/m³	< 0.0007	< 0.0007	-	-	-
Diuron	g/m <sup>3</sup>	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Fenpropimorph	g/m <sup>3</sup>	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-



Sample Type: Aqueous		474700	474707			
	Sample Name:	171766 17-May-2017 9:00	171767 17-May-2017 9:05			
		am	am			
0	Lab Number:	1777376.1	1777376.2			
Organonitro&phosphorus Pe						
Fluazifop-butyl	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Fluometuron	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Flusilazole	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Fluvalinate	g/m³	< 0.0003	< 0.0003	-	-	-
Furalaxyl	g/m³	< 0.0002	< 0.0002	-	-	-
Haloxyfop-methyl	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Hexaconazole	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Hexazinone	g/m³	< 0.0002	< 0.0002	-	-	-
IPBC (3-lodo-2-propynyl-n-butylcarbamate)	g/m³	< 0.002	< 0.002	-	-	-
Kresoxim-methyl	g/m³	< 0.0002	< 0.0002	-	-	-
Linuron	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Malathion	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Metalaxyl	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Metolachlor	g/m³	< 0.0003	< 0.0003	-	-	-
Metribuzin	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Molinate	g/m³	< 0.0007	< 0.0007	-	-	-
Myclobutanil	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Naled	g/m³	< 0.002	< 0.002	-	-	-
Norflurazon	g/m³	< 0.0007	< 0.0007	-	-	-
Oxadiazon	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Oxyfluorfen	g/m³	< 0.0002	< 0.0002	-	-	-
Paclobutrazol	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Parathion-ethyl	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Parathion-methyl	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Pendimethalin	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Permethrin	g/m³	0.0012	0.0015	-	-	-
Pirimicarb	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Pirimiphos-methyl	g/m <sup>3</sup>	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Prochloraz	g/m³	< 0.002	< 0.002	-	-	-
Procymidone	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Prometryn	g/m³	< 0.0002	< 0.0002	-	-	-
Propachlor	g/m <sup>3</sup>	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Propanil	g/m³	< 0.002	< 0.002	-	-	-
Propazine	g/m³	< 0.0002	< 0.0002	-	-	-
Propiconazole	g/m³	0.0175	0.020	-	-	-
Pyriproxyfen	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Quizalofop-ethyl	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Simazine	g/m <sup>3</sup>	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Simetryn	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Sulfentrazone	g/m³	< 0.002	< 0.002	-	-	-
TCMTB [2-(thiocyanomethyltl benzothiazole,Busan]	nio) g/m³	< 0.0007	< 0.0007	-	-	-
Tebuconazole	g/m³	0.0167	0.020	-	-	-
Terbacil	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Terbufos	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Terbumeton	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Terbuthylazine	g/m³	< 0.0002	< 0.0002	-	-	-
Terbuthylazine-desethyl	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Terbutryn	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Thiabendazole	g/m³	< 0.002	< 0.002	-	-	-
Thiobencarb	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Tolylfluanid	g/m³	< 0.0002	< 0.0002	-	-	-
Triazophos	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-
Trifluralin	g/m³	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-

Sample Type: Aqueous							
Sample Name		171767 17-May-2017 9:05 am					
Lab Number		1777376.2					
Organonitro&phosphorus Pesticides Screen in	MR W ater Liq/liq						
Vinclozolin g/m	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-	-		
Copper, Chrome and Arsenic, Total, Trace							
Total Arsenic g/m	0.0165	0.0197	-	-	-		
Total Chromium g/m	0.0102	0.0188	-	-	-		
Total Copper g/m	0.0117	0.025	-	-	-		
Tributyl Tin Trace in Water samples by GCMS							
Dibutyltin (as Sn) g/m	< 0.00011	< 0.00011	-	-	-		
Tributyltin (as Sn) g/m	< 0.00009	< 0.00009	-	-	-		
Triphenyltin (as Sn) g/m	< 0.00007	< 0.00007	-	-	-		

#### SUMMARY OF METHODS

The following table(s) gives a brief description of the methods used to conduct the analyses for this job. The detection limits given below are those attainable in a relatively clean matrix. Detection limits may be higher for individual samples should insufficient sample be available, or if the matrix requires that dilutions be performed during analysis.

Sample Type: Aqueous							
Test	Method Description	Default Detection Limit	Sample No				
Organonitro&phosphorus Pesticides Screen in MR Water Liq/liq	Liquid / liquid extraction, GPC (if required), GC-MS analysis	-	1-2				
Copper, Chrome and Arsenic, Total, Trace	Nitric acid digestion, ICP-MS, trace level	0.00053 - 0.0011 g/m <sup>3</sup>	1-2				
Tributyl Tin Trace in Water samples by GCMS	Solvent extraction, ethylation, SPE cleanup, GC-MS SIM analysis	0.00003 - 0.00005 g/m³	1-2				
Total Digestion	Nitric acid digestion. APHA 3030 E 22 <sup>rd</sup> ed. 2012 (modified).	-	1-2				
Total Tin	Nitric acid digestion, ICP-MS, trace level. APHA 3125 B 22 ed. 2012.	0.00053 g/m <sup>3</sup>	1-2				
Total Zinc	Nitric acid digestion, ICP-MS, trace level. APHA 3125 B 22 <sup>rd</sup> ed. 2012 / US EPA 200.8.	0.0011 g/m³	1-2				

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SPv2

Client:

Taranaki Regional Council

Contact: Scott Cowperthwaite

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Private Bag 713 Stratford 4352 **Lab No:** 1680683 **Date Received:** 16-Nov-2

Date Received: 16-Nov-2016
Date Reported: 02-Dec-2016

**Quote No:** 58029 **Order No:** 61420

Client Reference: TSM Mangaone Submitted By: Scott Cowperthwaite

Sample Type: Aqueous						
s	ample Name:	TRC163861 15-Nov-2016 9:40 am	TRC163862 15-Nov-2016 9:30 am	TRC163863 15-Nov-2016 9:35 am	TRC163864 15-Nov-2016 9:55 am	
	Lab Number:	1680683.1	1680683.2	1680683.3	1680683.4	
Individual Tests						
Total Tin	g/m³	-	0.0088	0.0035	-	-
Total Zinc	g/m <sup>3</sup>	0.031	0.30	1.79	0.034	-
OrganoNitrogen & Phosphorus	pesticides, trace	, liq/liq GCMS				
Acetochlor	g/m <sup>3</sup>	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Alachlor	g/m <sup>3</sup>	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Atrazine	g/m <sup>3</sup>	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Atrazine-desethyl	g/m <sup>3</sup>	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Atrazine-desisopropyl	g/m <sup>3</sup>	< 0.00008	-	-	< 0.00008	-
Azaconazole	g/m <sup>3</sup>	< 0.00002	-	-	< 0.00002	-
Azinphos-methyl	g/m <sup>3</sup>	< 0.00008	-	-	< 0.00008	-
Benalaxyl	g/m <sup>3</sup>	< 0.00002	-	-	< 0.00002	-
Bitertanol	g/m³	< 0.00008	-	-	< 0.00008	-
Bromacil	g/m³	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Bromopropylate	g/m <sup>3</sup>	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Butachlor	g/m³	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Captan	g/m³	< 0.00008	-	-	< 0.00008	-
Carbaryl	g/m³	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Carbofenothion	g/m³	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Carbofuran	g/m³	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Chlorfluazuron	g/m³	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Chlorothalonil	g/m³	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Chlorpyrifos	g/m³	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Chlorpyrifos-methyl	g/m³	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Chlortoluron	g/m³	< 0.00008	-	-	< 0.00008	-
Cyanazine	g/m³	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Cyfluthrin	g/m³	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Cyhalothrin	g/m³	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Cypermethrin	g/m³	< 0.00008	-	-	< 0.00008	-
Deltamethrin (including Tralom	ethrin) g/m <sup>3</sup>	< 0.00006	-	-	< 0.00006	-
Diazinon	g/m³	< 0.00002	-	-	< 0.00002	-
Dichlofluanid	g/m³	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Dichloran	g/m³	< 0.0002	-	-	< 0.0002	-
Dichlorvos	g/m³	< 0.00008	-	-	< 0.00008	-
Difenoconazole	g/m³	< 0.00008	-	-	< 0.00008	-
Dimethoate	g/m³	< 0.00008	-	-	< 0.00008	-
Diphenylamine	g/m³	< 0.00008	-	-	< 0.00008	-
Diuron	g/m³	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-



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Sample Type: Aqueous		TRC163861	TRC163862	TRC163863	TRC163864	
	Sample Name:	15-Nov-2016 9:40	15-Nov-2016 9:30	15-Nov-2016 9:35	15-Nov-2016 9:55	
	Lab Numbari	am 1680683.1	am 1680683.2	am 1680683.3	am 1680683.4	
OrganoNitrogen & Phosphoru	Lab Number:		1000003.2	1000003.3	1000000.4	
Fenpropimorph	g/m <sup>3</sup>	< 0.00004	_	-	< 0.00004	
<u> </u>		< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Fluazifop-butyl	g/m³		-	-		-
Fluometuron	g/m³	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Flusilazole	g/m³	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Fluvalinate	g/m³	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Furalaxyl	g/m³	< 0.00002	-	-	< 0.00002	-
Haloxyfop-methyl	g/m³	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Hexaconazole	g/m³	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Hexazinone	g/m³	< 0.00002	-	-	< 0.00002	-
IPBC (3-lodo-2-propynyl-n- butylcarbamate)	g/m <sup>3</sup>	< 0.0002	-	-	< 0.0002	-
Kresoxim-methyl	g/m³	< 0.00002	-	-	< 0.00002	-
Linuron	g/m³	< 0.00005	-	-	< 0.00005	-
Malathion	g/m³	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Metalaxyl	g/m³	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Metolachlor	g/m³	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Metribuzin	g/m³	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Molinate	g/m³	< 0.00008	-	-	< 0.00008	-
Myclobutanil	g/m³	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Naled	g/m³	< 0.0002	-	-	< 0.0002	-
Norflurazon	g/m³	< 0.00008	-	-	< 0.00008	-
Oxadiazon	g/m <sup>3</sup>	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Oxyfluorfen	g/m <sup>3</sup>	< 0.00002	-	-	< 0.00002	-
Paclobutrazol	g/m <sup>3</sup>	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Parathion-ethyl	g/m³	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Parathion-methyl	g/m <sup>3</sup>	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Pendimethalin	g/m³	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Permethrin	g/m³	< 0.00002	_	_	0.00003	-
Pirimicarb	g/m <sup>3</sup>	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Pirimiphos-methyl	g/m³	< 0.00004	_	_	< 0.00004	-
Prochloraz	g/m <sup>3</sup>	< 0.0002	-	-	< 0.0002	-
Procymidone	g/m <sup>3</sup>	< 0.0004	-	-	< 0.0004	
Prometryn	g/m <sup>3</sup>	< 0.00002	_	_	< 0.00002	
Propachlor	g/m <sup>3</sup>	< 0.00004	-	_	< 0.00004	
Propanil	g/m <sup>3</sup>	< 0.0002	_	_	< 0.0002	
Propazine	g/m <sup>3</sup>	< 0.0002	_	_	< 0.0002	
Propiconazole	g/m <sup>3</sup>	0.00008	_	_	0.00047	
Pyriproxyfen	g/m³	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00047	<u> </u>
Quizalofop-ethyl	g/m <sup>3</sup>	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Simazine	g/m <sup>3</sup>	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	
		< 0.00004 < 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004 < 0.00004	-
Simetryn Sulfentrazone	g/m³	< 0.0004	-	-	< 0.0004 < 0.0002	-
TCMTB [2-(thiocyanomethylth benzothiazole,Busan]	g/m <sup>3</sup> io) g/m <sup>3</sup>	< 0.0002	-	-	< 0.0002	-
Tebuconazole	g/m <sup>3</sup>	0.00012	_	_	0.00053	
Terbacil	g/m <sup>3</sup>	< 0.00012	_	-	< 0.00053	
Terbufos	g/m <sup>3</sup>	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Terbunos	g/m <sup>3</sup>	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
			-		< 0.00004	<u> </u>
Terbuthylazine	g/m³	< 0.00002	-	-		-
Terbuthylazine-desethyl	g/m³	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Terbutryn	g/m³	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Thiabendazole	g/m³	< 0.0002	-	-	< 0.0002	-
Thiobencarb	g/m³	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-
Tolylfluanid	g/m³	< 0.00002	-	-	< 0.00002	-
Triazophos	g/m³	< 0.00004	-	-	< 0.00004	-

Sample Type: Aqueous						
San	nple Name:	TRC163861	TRC163862	TRC163863	TRC163864	
				15-Nov-2016 9:35		
1.0	ab Number:	am 1680683.1	am 1680683.2	am 1680683.3	am 1680683.4	
OrganoNitrogen & Phosphorus per			1000000.2	1000000.0	100000.4	
Trifluralin	g/m <sup>3</sup>	< 0.00004	_	_	< 0.00004	
Vinclozolin	g/m³	< 0.00004	_	_	< 0.00004	
Organonitro&phosphorus Pesticide			_		< 0.00004	
Acetochlor	g/m <sup>3</sup>	IN Water Lightig	< 0.0004	< 0.0004		
Alachlor		<u> </u>	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	<u> </u>
	g/m³	-	< 0.0003	< 0.0003	-	-
Atrazine Atrazine-desethyl	g/m³	-	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	<u> </u>
•	g/m³	-	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	<u>-</u>
Atrazine-desisopropyl Azaconazole	g/m³	<u> </u>	< 0.0007	< 0.0007	-	<u> </u>
Azinphos-methyl	g/m³	-	< 0.0002	< 0.0002	-	<u> </u>
Benalaxyl	g/m³	_	< 0.0007	< 0.0007	_	
Bitertanol	g/m³	_	< 0.0002	< 0.0002	_	
Bromacil	g/m³	_	< 0.0007	< 0.0007	_	
Bromopropylate	g/m³		< 0.0004	< 0.0004	<u>-</u>	<u> </u>
Butachlor	g/m³	<u>-</u>	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	<u>-</u>	<u> </u>
Captan	g/m³		< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	<u> </u>
Captan	g/m³		< 0.0007	< 0.0007	-	
Carbofuran	g/m³	-	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	<u>-</u>	<u> </u>
Chlorfluazuron	g/m³	<u>-</u>	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-
Chlorothalonil	g/m³	-	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	<u>-</u>
Chlorpyrifos	g/m³	_	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	_	
Chlorpyrifos-methyl	g/m³	_	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	_	
Chlortoluron	g/m³	_	< 0.0004	< 0.0007	_	
Cyanazine	g/m³		< 0.0007	< 0.0007	_	
Cyfluthrin	g/m³	_	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	
Cyhalothrin	g/m³	-	< 0.0003	< 0.0003	-	<u>-</u>
Cypermethrin	g/m³	_	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	_	
Deltamethrin (including Tralomethr			< 0.0009	< 0.0004	_	
Diazinon	g/m <sup>3</sup>		< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	<u> </u>
Dichlofluanid	g/m³	_	< 0.0002	< 0.0002	_	
Dichloran	g/m³	_	< 0.002	< 0.002	_	
Dichlorvos	g/m³	-	< 0.002	< 0.002	-	
Difenoconazole	g/m³	<u>-</u>	< 0.0007	< 0.0007	-	<u> </u>
Dimethoate	g/m³	-	< 0.0007	< 0.0007	-	<u> </u>
Diphenylamine	g/m³	-	< 0.0007	< 0.0007	-	<u> </u>
Diuron	g/m³	-	< 0.0007	< 0.0007	-	<u> </u>
Fenpropimorph	g/m³	-	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	<u>-</u>
Fluazifop-butyl	g/m³	-	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	<u>-</u>
Fluometuron	g/m³	-	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	
Flusilazole	g/m <sup>3</sup>	-	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	<u> </u>
Fluvalinate	g/m³	-	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	<u>-</u>
Furalaxyl	g/m³	-	< 0.0003	< 0.0003	-	<u>-</u>
Haloxyfop-methyl	g/m³	-	< 0.0002	< 0.0002	-	<u>-</u>
Hexaconazole	g/m³	-	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-
Hexazinone	g/m³	-	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	<u>-</u>
IPBC (3-lodo-2-propynyl-n-butylcarbamate)	g/m³	-	< 0.002	< 0.002	-	<u> </u>
Kresoxim-methyl	g/m <sup>3</sup>	-	< 0.0002	< 0.0002	-	-
Linuron	g/m³	<u>-</u>	< 0.0002	< 0.0002	-	
Malathion	g/m³	-	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	
Metalaxyl	g/m³	<u> </u>	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	<u> </u>
Metolachlor	g/m³	<u> </u>	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	<u> </u>
Metribuzin	g/m³	-	< 0.0003	< 0.0003	-	<u>-</u>
Molinate	g/m³	-	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	_	-
IVIOIII IALE	9/11/9	_	< 0.0007	< 0.0007	-	-

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Organonitro&phosphorus Pestic			1000003.2	1000003.3	1000003.4	
<u> </u>		iit water Eignig	< 0.0004	< 0.0004		
Myclobutanil	g/m <sup>3</sup>	-			-	-
Naled	g/m³	-	< 0.002	< 0.002		-
Norflurazon	g/m <sup>3</sup>	-	< 0.0007	< 0.0007	-	-
Oxadiazon	g/m <sup>3</sup>	-	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-
Oxyfluorfen	g/m³	-	< 0.0002	< 0.0002	-	-
Paclobutrazol	g/m³	-	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-
Parathion-ethyl	g/m³	-	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-
Parathion-methyl	g/m³	-	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-
Pendimethalin	g/m³	-	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-
Permethrin	g/m³	-	0.0032	0.0014	-	-
Pirimicarb	g/m³	-	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-
Pirimiphos-methyl	g/m³	-	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-
Prochloraz	g/m³	-	< 0.002	< 0.002	-	-
Procymidone	g/m³	-	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-
Prometryn	g/m³	-	< 0.0002	< 0.0002	-	-
Propachlor	g/m³	-	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-
Propanil	g/m³	-	< 0.002	< 0.002	-	-
Propazine	g/m³	-	< 0.0002	< 0.0002	-	-
Propiconazole	g/m³	-	0.036	0.026	-	-
Pyriproxyfen	g/m³	-	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-
Quizalofop-ethyl	g/m³	-	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-
Simazine	g/m³	-	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-
Simetryn	g/m³	-	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-
Sulfentrazone	g/m³	-	< 0.002	< 0.002	-	-
TCMTB [2-(thiocyanomethylthio) benzothiazole,Busan]	) g/m <sup>3</sup>	-	< 0.0007	< 0.0007	-	-
Tebuconazole	g/m³	-	0.039	0.027	-	-
Terbacil	g/m³	-	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-
Terbufos	g/m³	-	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-
Terbumeton	g/m <sup>3</sup>	-	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-
Terbuthylazine	g/m <sup>3</sup>	-	< 0.0002	< 0.0002	-	-
Terbuthylazine-desethyl	g/m <sup>3</sup>	-	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-
Terbutryn	g/m <sup>3</sup>	-	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-
Thiabendazole	g/m <sup>3</sup>	-	< 0.002	< 0.002	-	-
Thiobencarb	g/m <sup>3</sup>	-	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-
Tolylfluanid	g/m <sup>3</sup>	-	< 0.0002	< 0.0002	-	-
Triazophos	g/m <sup>3</sup>	-	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-
Trifluralin	g/m³	-	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-
Vinclozolin	g/m³	-	< 0.0004	< 0.0004	-	-
Copper, Chrome and Arsenic, T						
Total Arsenic	g/m <sup>3</sup>	< 0.0011	0.091	0.025	0.0013	_
Total Chromium	g/m³	0.00080	0.090	0.023	0.0013	<u> </u>
Total Copper	g/m³	0.0026	0.046	0.023	0.00133	<u> </u>
		0.0020	0.040	0.022	0.0024	
Tributyl Tin Trace in Water sam		0.00000	0.00000	0.00011	0.0000	
Dibutyltin (as Sn)	g/m <sup>3</sup>	< 0.00006	0.00039	< 0.00011	< 0.00006	-
Tributyltin (as Sn)	g/m³	< 0.00005	0.00018	< 0.00009	< 0.00005	-
Triphenyltin (as Sn)	g/m³	< 0.00004	< 0.00007	< 0.00007	< 0.00004	-

#### SUMMARY OF METHODS

The following table(s) gives a brief description of the methods used to conduct the analyses for this job. The detection limits given below are those attainable in a relatively clean matrix. Detection limits may be higher for individual samples should insufficient sample be available, or if the matrix requires that dilutions be performed during analysis.

Sample Type: Aqueous			
Test	Method Description	<b>Default Detection Limit</b>	Sample No
Organonitro&phosphorus Pesticides Screen in MR Water Liq/liq	Liquid / liquid extraction, GPC (if required), GC-MS analysis	-	2-3

Sample Type: Aqueous			
Test	Method Description	Default Detection Limit	Sample No
OrganoNitrogen & Phosphorus pesticides, trace, liq/liq GCMS	Liquid/liquid extraction, GPC (if required), GCMS analysis	-	1, 4
Copper, Chrome and Arsenic, Total, Trace	Nitric acid digestion, ICP-MS, trace level	0.00053 - 0.0011 g/m³	1-4
Tributyl Tin Trace in Water samples by GCMS	Solvent extraction, ethylation, SPE cleanup, GC-MS SIM analysis	0.00003 - 0.00005 g/m³	1-4
Total Digestion	Nitric acid digestion. APHA 3030 E 22 <sup>nd</sup> ed. 2012 (modified).	-	1-4
Total Tin	Nitric acid digestion, ICP-MS, trace level. APHA 3125 B 22 <sup>rd</sup> ed. 2012.	0.00053 g/m <sup>3</sup>	2-3
Total Zinc	Nitric acid digestion, ICP-MS, trace level. APHA 3125 B 22 <sup>nd</sup> ed. 2012 / US EPA 200.8.	0.0011 g/m³	1-4

These samples were collected by yourselves (or your agent) and analysed as received at the laboratory.

Samples are held at the laboratory after reporting for a length of time depending on the preservation used and the stability of the analytes being tested. Once the storage period is completed the samples are discarded unless otherwise advised by the client.

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