



MINUTES

Operations & Regulatory

Date:	22 July 2025	
Venue:	Taranaki Regional Council Boardroom, 47 Cloten Road, Stratford	
Document:	TRCID-1492626864-969	
Present:	S W Hughes	Chair
	B J Bigham	
	M G Davey	
	T Cloke	
	D H McIntyre	
	D M Cram	
	C L Littlewood	zoom
	C S Williamson	ex officio
	N W Walker	ex officio
	P Muir	Federated Farmers
	R Buttimore	Iwi Representative
	D Luke	Iwi Representative
	Ā White	Iwi Representative
Attending:	S J Ruru	Chief Executive
	A J Matthews	Director - Environment Quality
	D Harrison	Director – Operations
	A D McLay	Director – Resource Management
	F Kiddle	Strategy Lead
	L Miller	Manager – Resource Consents
	J Glasgow	Manager – Compliance
	P Davidson	Team Lead Compliance
	R Honeyfield	Team Lead – Prosecutions and Compliance
	S Ellis	Environment Services Manager
	M Jones	Governance Administrator
	C Woollin	Communications Advisor

Karakia: The meeting opened with a group Karakia at 9.00am.

1. Confirmation of Operations and Regulatory Committee Minutes – 10 June 2025

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) took as read and confirmed the minutes of the Operations and Regulatory Committee of the Taranaki Regional Council held on 10 June 2025 at Taranaki Regional Council 47 Cloten Road Stratford
- b) noted the recommendations therein were adopted by the Taranaki Regional Council on Tuesday 24 June 2025.

Hughes/White

2. Resource Consents Issued under Delegated Authority & Applications in Progress

- 2.1 L Miller advised of the consents granted and other consent processing actions since the last meeting.
- 2.2 Councillor Davey declared a conflict of interest.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) received the schedule of resource consents granted and other consent processing actions, made under delegated authority.
- b) noted that eleven percent more applications were processed in the 2024/2025 period compared to the previous year, which reduced the consent application backlog.

Bigham/Cram

3. Incidents, Compliance Monitoring Non-Compliances and Enforcement Summary – 16 May 2025 to 30 June 2025

- 3.1 J Glasgow provided a summary of the incidents and compliance monitoring non-compliance and enforcement for the period 16 May 2025 to 30 June 2025.
- 3.2 Councillor Bigham declared a conflict of interest.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) received this memorandum Incident, Compliance Monitoring Non-Compliances and Enforcement Summary – 16 May 2025 to 30 June 2025
- b) received the summary of the incidents, compliance monitoring non-compliances and enforcement for the period from 16 May 2025 to 30 June 2025
- c) noted the action taken by staff acting under delegated authority.

Cram/Walker

4. Towards Predator Free Taranaki Project

4.1 S Ellis provided an update on the status of Predator-Free Taranaki project.

Resolved

That the Taranaki Regional Council:

- a) received this memorandum, Towards Predator Free Taranaki
- b) noted the progress achieved in respect of the urban, rural and zero density possum projects of the Towards Predator- Free Taranaki project
- c) noted officers will be increasing the use of regulatory tools under the Regional Pest Management Plan to ensure ongoing mustelid trapping continues
- d) noted the disestablishment of Predator Free 2050 Limited and that the Department of Conservation will take over Council's existing agreements.

Cloke/McIntyre

Public Excluded

In accordance with section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, resolves that the public is excluded from the following part of the proceedings of the Operations and Regulatory Committee Meeting on Tuesday 22 July 2025.

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Ground(s) under section 48(1) for the passing of this resolution	When can the item be released into the public
Prosecution for breaches of the Resource Management Act 1991	<p>The alleged offender(s) has not yet had the opportunity to respond to the charges laid. It is therefore important that the principles of natural justice are applied and that legal privilege is maintained.</p> <p>Making any of this information publicly available would result in a breach of the Privacy Act 2020 and be likely to prejudice the maintenance of the law, including the prevention, investigation, and detection of offences, and the right to a fair trial.</p>	<p>In accordance with Section 48(1) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, this is to be considered with the public excluded as the public conduct of the whole or relevant part of the proceedings would be likely to result in the disclosure of information for which good reason for withholding would exist under section 6 (a) and section 7 (2) (a) and (2) (g) of the <i>Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987</i>.</p>	<p>Upon the conclusion of the trial process and once a final decision has been rendered by the court.</p>

Cloke/Williamson

There being no further business the Committee Chairperson, Councillor S W Hughes, declared the meeting of the Operations and Regulatory Committee closed at 10.02am.

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Committee Chairperson: _____

S W Hughes