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Dear Ewen,

Additional Information Request for Application APP-2013016147.00

Over the last year the Department of Corrections (herein referred to as the Applicant) have indicated to Horizons Regional Council and submitters their intention to undertake lining of the stormwater system pipes to minimise external inputs (eg. infiltration from soil and groundwater). The Applicant has also indicated an intention to undertake further testing and modelling including groundwater contour modelling, groundwater testing and also first flush sampling of the newly lined stormwater pipes.

It was agreed by the Regional Council to allow the Applicant time for this work to take place. The Applicant has now indicated they wish to proceed to hearing. In order to ensure our technical reviews and expert evidence is based on the most up to date information the following information is requested under Section 92(1) of the Resource Management Act 1991:

1. Confirmation of the type of lining that has occurred within the system and the extents of this lining within the stormwater network;
2. Results of any stormwater quality testing that has taken place since the lining occurred including details of the conditions at the time of testing (ie. if it was deemed to be first flush monitoring);
3. Monitoring results of the additional groundwater monitoring that has been completed; and
4. Contour map of the groundwater levels that accompany the additional groundwater monitoring;
5. Any other changes made to the stormwater system which may alter or deviate from the original application in particular if this has an impact on the quality of the stormwater discharge.

In addition to the above, expert conferencing occurred on the 18th of September 2019 between Mr Logan Brown of Horizons Regional Council and Vaughan Keesing of Boffa Miskell on behalf of the Applicant. The results of this conferencing, detailed in a joint memo, concluded that the lake complex which the stormwater discharges to falls within the definition of a wetland under the One Plan (point 6 of joint memo).

In the joint memo several outcomes and options were detailed. These are as follows:

- a. Consideration of further mitigations within the lake if the discharge was to continue such as weed harvesting, dosing for DRP removal etc; and
- b. Consideration of whether the alternative discharge around the lake option would enter a wetland as defined in the One Plan.

Following the conferencing Mr Brown offered to Mr Keesing for the Manawatu-Whanganui Regional Council to assess the alternative discharge location to see if it met the definition of a wetland. It is our understanding Mr Keesing addressed this with the Applicant, in November 2019.

Considering the above can you please answer the following:

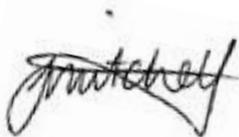
6. Please provide detail of any correspondence in relation to this matter and any assessment of the alternative discharge point.
7. Please advised if any further investigations on either of the above outcomes and/or what the position is of the applicant on pursuing these outcomes.
8. Given the outcome of the expert conferencing, the needs to be an additional assessment of the proposal against the relevant objectives and policies within the One Plan. Please provide a full assessment of the additional objectives and policies and how the activity compares against the regional plan.

Lastly it has been indicated in July 2019 that a CIA has been commissioned and further work has been undertaken with local iwi.

9. Please provide any outcomes of consultation with local iwi and hapū and/or a copy of any CIA so that cultural effects can be assessed as part of the reporting.

As highlighted above, this information will assist with the preparation of the Section 42A reports so if this could be provided in a timely manner to the preparation of evidence that would be appreciated. If you have any questions or wish to discuss any aspects of this letter, please contact our office on 0508 800 800.

Yours faithfully,



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