

Regional Council

NOTICE IS GIVEN

that the **Regional Council** will meet to deliberate on its **Proposed Resource Management Act and Building Act Charges Policy 2017/18** in the **Mauao Rooms, Bay of Plenty Regional Council Building, 87 First Avenue, Tauranga** on:

Friday, 19 May 2017 commencing at 9.30 am.

Members please note: A Council workshop on the Annual Plan will be held at the conclusion of the Council Meeting.

Mary-Anne Macleod
Chief Executive
11 May 2017



Regional Council

Terms of Reference

Purpose

- Enable democratic local decision-making and action by, and on behalf of, Bay of Plenty communities.
- Meet the current and future needs of communities for good-quality local infrastructure, local public services, and performance of regulatory functions in a way that is most cost-effective for households and businesses.
- Set the overarching strategic direction for Bay of Plenty Regional Council as an organisation.
- Hold ultimate responsibility for allocating financial resources across the Council.

Membership

All councillors are members of the Regional Council.

Quorum

In accordance with Council standing order 10.1(a), the quorum at a meeting of the Regional Council is seven members, consisting of half the number of members.

Meeting frequency

Six-weekly.

Role of Council

- Address Local Electoral Act matters and Local Government Rating Act matters.
- Oversee all matters relating to identifying and contributing to community outcomes.
- Consider and agree on matters relating to significant new activities or areas of involvement such as infrastructure which are not the responsibility of a specific committee.
- Provide regional leadership on key issues that require a collaborative approach between a number of parties.
- Develop, adopt and review Council's Policy on Significance and decision-making policy and processes.
- Develop, adopt and implement the Triennial Agreement and the Code of Conduct.
- Consider and agree on matters relating to elected members' remuneration matters.
- Appoint the Chief Executive Officer, and review their contract, performance and remuneration at least annually.
- Approve all delegations to the Chief Executive, including the authority for further delegation to staff.
- Establish committees, subcommittees, and working parties and appoint members.
- Receive and consider recommendations and matters referred to it by its committees, joint committees, subcommittees and working parties.

- Approve membership to external bodies and organisations, including Council Controlled Organisations.
- Develop, adopt and review policies for, and monitor the performance of, Council Controlled Organisations.
- Review and approve strategic matters relating to the sale, acquisition and development of property for the purposes of meeting Council's organisational requirements and implement approved Regional Council policy.
- Address strategic corporate matters including property and accommodation.
- Institute any proceedings in the High Court that are not injunctive proceedings.
- Exercise the powers and duties conferred or imposed on Council by the Public Works Act 1981.
- Consider and agree on the process to develop the Long Term Plan, Annual Plan and Annual Report.
- Adopt Council policies as required by statute (for example Regional Policy Statement and Regional Land Transport Strategy) to be decided by Council or outside of Committee delegations (for example infrastructure policy).
- Delegate to commissioners to exercise the powers, functions and duties of the Council as a consent authority under the Resource Management Act 1991 including to hear and decide a consent application.
- Monitor Council's financial and non-financial performance in-year.
- Develop, review and approve Council's Financial Strategy and funding and financial policies and frameworks.

Delegations from Council to Committees

- Full Council has a role to monitor the functioning of all committees.
- Full Council will consider matters not within the delegation of any one Council committee.
- Full Council may at any time, revoke or modify a delegation to a Council committee, either permanently, for a specified time or to address a specific matter, if it considers there is good reason to do so.
- The delegations provided to committees may be further delegated to subcommittees unless the power of further delegation is restricted by Council or by statute.

It is accepted in making these delegations that:

- The committees, in performing their delegated functions, powers or duties, may, without confirmation by the Council, exercise or perform them in a like manner and with the same effect as the Council itself could have exercised or performed them.
- The delegated powers given shall at all times be subject to their current policies and principles or directions, as given by the Council from time to time.
- The chairperson of each committee shall have the authority to exercise their discretion, as to whether or not the delegated authority of the committee be used where, in the opinion of the chairperson, circumstances warrant it.

Powers that cannot be delegated

Under Clause 32 Schedule 7 of the Local Government Act 2002, Full Council must make the following decisions:

- Make a rate.
- Make a bylaw.
- Borrow money or purchase or dispose of assets, other than in accordance with the long-term plan.
- Adopt the long-term plan, annual plan, or annual report.
- Appoint a chief executive.
- Adopt policies required to be adopted and consulted on under the Local Government Act 2002 in association with the long-term plan or developed for the purpose of the local governance statement.
- Adopt a remuneration and employment policy.

Membership

Chairman:	D Leeder
Deputy Chairman:	J Nees
Councillors:	N Bruning, W Clark, J Cronin, S Crosby, D Love, T Marr, M McDonald, A Tahana, P Thompson, L Thurston, A von Dadelszen, K Winters
Committee Advisor:	S Kameta

Recommendations in reports are not to be construed as Council policy until adopted by Council.

Agenda

E te Atua nui tonu, ko mātau ēnei e inoi atu nei ki a koe, kia tau mai te māramatanga ki a mātau whakarite mō tēnei rā, arahina hoki mātau, e eke ai te ōranga tonu ki ngā āhuatanga katoa a ngā tangata ki tō mātau rohe whānui tonu. Āmine.

“Almighty God we ask that you give us wisdom in the decisions we make here today and give us guidance in working with our regional communities to promote their social, economic, environmental and cultural well-being. Amen”.

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Report To: Regional Council

Meeting Date: 19 May 2017

Report From: Eddie Grogan, General Manager, Regulatory Services

Deliberations Position Paper - Resource Management Act and Building Act Charges Policy 2017/18

Executive Summary

Council has consulted on proposed changes to the Resource Management Act and Building Act Charges Policy 2017/18, through a Special Consultative Procedure.

Three submissions were received on the proposed amendments to the Charges Policy. Submissions were on a number of topics and were mixed – some points were supportive and others in opposition or provided suggestions/feedback on the proposed Charges Policy. None of the submitters wished to be heard.

Staff have provided comments and recommendations on the submissions as detailed in this report and recommends that no changes are made to the Proposed Resource Management Act and Building Act Charges Policy 2017/18.

Recommendations

That the Regional Council:

- 1 Receives the report, Deliberations Position Paper - Resource Management Act and Building Act Charges Policy 2017/18;**
- 2 Receives and notes its consideration of submissions to the Resource Management Act and Building Act Charges Policy 2017/18;**
- 3 Direct staff to prepare the Resource Management Act and Building Act Charges Policies 2017/18 for adoption as proposed on 29 March 2017.**

1 Introduction

The Bay of Plenty Regional Council (BOPRC) is responsible for controlling the use of a wide range of resources, which requires us to process resource consents, monitor and manage consented and other authorised activities, and investigate the state of the region's resources.

The framework for setting charges to do this work sits under Section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA). Each year the Regional Council develops a charging policy that sets out what costs we intend to recover for the services and functions that we undertake when carrying out our regulatory functions under the RMA and the Building Act 2004.

This paper recommends that the Council adopts the 'Proposed Bay of Plenty Regional Council Resource Management Act and Building Act Charges Policy 2017/2018' (the Charges Policy).

Consultation on the Charges Policy was conducted using the Special Consultative Procedure. Information was provided in public notices and on the Council website. In addition, letters were sent to all current resource consent holders that received a Base Fee (2,096 letters) advising them of the proposed changes to the Charges Policy (copy attached as an appendix).

2 Proposed changes to the Charges Policy

The key changes proposed are summarised as follows:

- Increase the \$500 fixed charge component of the general application fee for resource consents by \$50 to \$633 (GST inclusive) to reflect the increased administration required in the Council's new database system (submissions in Section 3.1);
- Replace the fixed fee for processing short term consents for On-Site Effluent Treatment systems with the general application fee and recovery of actual and reasonable costs for consent applications;
- Maintain the fixed fee for transfer of consent applications that are complete, but introduce recovery of actual and reasonable costs for incomplete transfer applications;
- Increase the base charge by \$10 (plus 2% inflation) for all consent activities (submissions in Section 3.2);
- Increase the Building Act Charges by inflation (2%) (submissions in Section 3.3);
- Remove the 'credit factor' allowance applied to the fixed supervision/compliance charge for self-monitoring (submissions in Section 3.4);
- Simplify the categories for staff charge-out rates (submissions in Section 3.5);
- Increase Schedules A (staff charge-out rates), 1A (annual fixed fee) and 1B-12B (regional impact/monitoring) charges by inflation of 2% and round to the nearest \$5 (submissions in Section 3.6);
- Amend Schedule 11B (Coastal management) to provide a charging structure that better reflects the extent of aquaculture in the region.

In addition to the changes to our charging structure, the following administrative changes were also proposed:

- Rename ‘Certificates of Compliance – Onsite Effluent Treatment Regional Plan’ to ‘OSET Approval Inspection Fee’ to reflect the wording in the new Onsite Effluent Treatment Regional Plan;
- Amend the annual invoice payment due date to the 20th of the month following the month the invoice was issued i.e. invoices issued in September will be due on 20th October;
- Quote all charges in the policy as GST inclusive for consistency and ease of use.

3 Submissions

Three submissions were received and are attached as appendices. Two submissions were from individual consent holders (submissions #1, Fred Willis, and #3, Colin McCarthy of Burnside Capital Ltd) and one from Western Bay of Plenty District Council (submission #2). Submissions were mixed; some supportive and others in opposition or providing suggestions/feedback on the policy. None of the submitters wished to be heard. Topics submitted on include:

- Increase in consent application fees;
- Increase to the base charge;
- Increase to Building Act charges;
- Removing the credit factor allowance;
- Simplifying staff charges;
- Increase to regional/ impact monitoring charges; and
- Other.

Following review and consideration of all submissions, the sections below detail the staff recommendations in response to the issues raised. For ease of cross referencing, the submission numbers are given for each topic.

3.1 Increase in consent application fees

Opposing (Submission #)	Supporting (Submission #)
2	

Western Bay of Plenty District Council “do not support the increase in the \$500 fixed fee charge component to reflect the increased administration costs required in the Council’s new database.

The introduction of a new database should be covered within Council’s existing budgets. Hopefully more efficient processing will eventuate from the new database being implemented.”

Staff comment

The RMA gives Council the power to recover the ‘reasonable’ costs associated with the processing of resource consents. The fixed charge component includes a charge to cover all administrative activity for non-notified applications including, but not limited to, receiving applications, data entry and file preparation.

The introduction of the new database has been costed into Council’s existing budgets. However, it is reasonable to recover the actual and reasonable costs of staff administration and the increased data we now keep for consents. The fixed fee component has not been increased for over a decade.

Staff recommendation 1

No change to the proposed policy. Council increase the \$500 fixed charge component of the general application fee to \$633 (GST inclusive) as set out in the Proposed Resource Management Act and Building Act Charges Policy 2017/18.

3.2 Increase to the base charge

Opposing (Submission #)	Supporting (Submission #)
2	2

Western Bay of Plenty District Council “do not support increasing the base charge by \$10, but accept 2% inflation increase in consenting activities.”

Staff comment

A \$10 increase to the base charge for all consented activities is necessary to meet forecast revenue for 2017/18 and ensure cost recovery.

Staff recommendation 2

No change to the proposed policy. Council increase the base fee by \$10 (plus inflation at 2%) as set out in the Proposed Resource Management Act and Building Act Charges Policy 2017/18.

3.3 Increase in Building Act charges

Opposing (Submission #)	Supporting (Submission #)
	2

Western Bay of Plenty District Council “accept and support the proposed fee increase by inflation.”

3.4 Removal of credit factor allowance

Opposing (Submission #)	Supporting (Submission #)
	2

Western Bay of Plenty District Council “accept proposed removal of credit factor allowance.”

3.5 Simplifying staff charges

Opposing (Submission #)	Supporting (Submission #)
	2

Western Bay of Plenty District Council “agree with proposed changes to simplify the categories for staff charge out rates in Schedule A.”

3.6 Increase in regional/ impact monitoring charges

Opposing (Submission #)	Supporting (Submission #)
	2

Western Bay of Plenty District Council “accept and support as suggested in correspondence letter dated 31 March 2017”. A copy of the correspondence letter to consent holders is attached as an appendix.

3.7 Other

Submission by consent holder # 1 – discount on fees

Abridged – I have telemetry reporting for my bore, put in at my expense for around \$1600, which would be very beneficial for the Council-I would like a discount on fees applying to my bore consent.

Staff comment

Currently the proposed increased compliance monitoring fee for this consent would be \$114 per annum. This is in line with compliance monitoring costs for telemetered data. We do not currently recover the cost of processing manual returns and we will revisit how much we charge for managing those returns in drafting the 2018/19 Charges Policy. No change to the current proposed Charges Policy is required.

Submission by consent holder # 3 – streamlining iwi approval

My suggestion is as follows –

One way of reducing costs to both the Council and the Consent Holder when reapplying for a consent is to streamline the requirement for Iwi approval. The current system can take months of dialogue with parties that have no jurisdiction over the particular water source.

e.g. *The PONGAKAWA RIVER*

All applicants have to go through this process when the Council should either by way of historic applications have any issue dealt with OR at least direct the applicant to the one or two relevant Iwi parties. This would save both the Council and applicants considerable time and money.

Staff comment

This suggestion is not directly relevant to the proposed Charges Policy. The RMA requires applicants to provide an assessment of the effects of their activity, which includes the impact of any such activity on iwi. Staff are always looking to provide for more streamlined consulting processes. The new *Mana Whakahono a Rohe* provisions should help improve on these. No change to the proposed Charges Policy is required.

3.8 Administrative amendment

In order to bring the invoicing dates in line with the Council finance system, minor administrative amendments have been made to the proposed Charges Policy.

3.9 Significance of proposals

The changes proposed have been assessed against the criteria and thresholds in the Council's Significance and Engagement Policy and are not considered to be significant.

4 Council's Accountability Framework

4.1 Community Outcomes

This proposal directly contributes to the Water Quality & Quantity, Environmental Protection and Resilience & Safety Community Outcomes in the Council's Long Term Plan 2015-2025.

4.2 Long Term Plan Alignment

This work is planned under the Resource Regulation and Monitoring Group of Activities in the Long Term Plan 2015-2025.

Current Budget Implications

This work is being undertaken within the current budget for the Resource Regulation and Monitoring Group of Activities in the Annual Plan 2017/18.

Future Budget Implications

Future work by the Resource Regulation and Monitoring Group of Activities is provided for in Council's Long Term Plan 2015-2025.

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for General Manager, Regulatory Services

11 May 2017

APPENDIX 1

Proposed 2017-2018 Resource Management Act and Building Act Charges Policy (PDF-Tracked Changes)

Proposed Resource Management Act and Building Act Charges Policy ~~2016/17~~/~~2017~~

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1 Introduction

This policy sets out the Resource Management Act and Building Act charges that are proposed to apply from 1 July 2017~~6~~. Under section 36(7) of the RMA and section 243(2) of the Building Act, the Regional Council may decline to perform the action to which the charge relates until the charge has been paid in full.

1.1 Resource Management Act Charges

Under the Resource Management Act (RMA) the Bay of Plenty Regional Council is responsible for managing the use of a wide range of natural resources including air quality, geothermal energy, groundwater and surface water. In order to carry out this function we are required to undertake a significant level of activity including:

- Processing and administration (e.g. in regard to regional plans and resource consents).
- Monitoring and supervision of resource consents.
- Monitoring of natural resources.

The RMA gives Council the power to recover the 'reasonable' costs associated with these functions using charges made under Section 36.

In order to achieve a fair and equitable sharing of costs the Bay of Plenty Regional Council has evaluated these functions and decided what proportion of each work programme and consent related activity should be recovered directly from individuals (either holders of resource consents, consent applicants or people using environmental resources), and what should be funded by the regional community through general funds.

Section 36(4) specifies the criteria for reaching decisions about the apportionment of costs and these are reproduced below.

- (a) *The sole purpose of a charge is to recover the reasonable costs incurred by the local authority in respect of the activity to which the charge relates:*
- (b) *A particular person or persons should only be required to pay a charge —*
- (i) *To the extent that the benefit of the local authority's actions to which the charge relates is obtained by those persons as distinct from the community of the local authority as a whole; or*
 - (ii) *Where the need for the local authority's actions to which the charge relates is occasioned by the actions of those persons; or*
 - (iii) *In a case where the charge is in respect of the local authority's monitoring functions under section 35(2)(a) (which relates to monitoring the state of the whole or part of the environment), to the extent that the monitoring relates to the likely effects on the environment of those persons' activities, or to the extent that the likely benefit to those persons of the monitoring exceeds the likely benefit of the monitoring to the community of the local authority as a whole, —*

and the local authority may fix different charges for different costs it incurs in the performance of its various functions, powers, and duties under this Act —

- (c) *In relation to different areas or different classes of applicant, consent holder, requiring authority, or heritage protection authority; or*
- (d) *Where any activity undertaken by the persons liable to pay any charge reduces the cost to the local authority of carrying out any of its functions, powers, and duties.*

1.2 Building Act Charges

The Bay of Plenty Regional Council is responsible for the following Building Act functions that relate to dams:

- maintaining a Register of Large Dams (s.151)
- administering and monitoring the Dam Safety Scheme (s.13)
- adopting and implementing a policy on dangerous, flood-prone and earthquake-prone dams (s.13)
- taking action if necessary, if a dam poses an immediate danger (s.157)
- Issuing Project Information Memorandum for new dams (s.34 and s.14)
- Issuing Certificates of Acceptance where work has been done without a Building Consent (s.96 and s.14)
- Enforcing the provisions of the building code and the Building Act 2004 and regulations that relate to dams (s.13).

Bay of Plenty Regional Council has determined that the costs incurred in processing Building Act related applications should be recovered based on the principle of 'user pays'. The Council is not expecting any revenues to be generated from these fees and charges.

Section 243 of the Building Act 2004 enables us to recover costs through imposing fees or charges.

The charges are set out in this policy as follows:

Section 2: Application charges:

- Preparation/change to a policy statement or plan
- Resource consents/certificates of compliance/transfers

Section 3: Resource consent charges:

- Base charges
- Compliance/supervision charges
- Regional monitoring charges

Section 4: Miscellaneous administrative charges:

- Information requests
- Photocopying and documents
- Royalty collection
- Enforcement
- Forestry Operators Accreditation System (FOAS)

Section 5: Building Act charges

- Register of dams
- Reviewing Impact Classifications and Dam Safety Assurance Programmes
- Compliance charges
- Building Act consent application/certificate of acceptance charges

2 Resource Management Act Application charges

Sections 36(1) (a) and (b) of the RMA allow Council to fix:

- (a) *Charges payable by applicants for the preparation or change of a policy statement or plan, for the carrying out by the local authority of its functions in relation to such applications.*
- (b) *Charges payable by applicants for resource consents, for the carrying out by the local authority of its functions in relation to the receiving, processing, and granting of resource consents (including certificates of compliance and existing use certificates).*

2.1 Application for preparation/change to a policy statement or plan

Applicants shall pay a deposit of \$5,000 (including GST) in advance for any requests for a change to an existing regional plan or policy statement, or for the preparation of any new plan or policy statement.

The full actual and reasonable costs of assessing and completing the change or preparation process set out in Schedule 1 of the RMA that exceed the deposit, will be charged as an additional charge in accordance with section 36(3) of the RMA. The charge will be assessed using the fixed charge out rates set out in Schedule A of this policy. Interim invoicing will be carried out to recover costs that exceed the deposit in the same financial year that they are incurred.

Actual and reasonable costs include but are not limited to council staff time, peer review, meeting and hearing costs and commissioner charges.

Despite the above charges, the General Manager Strategy is authorised to set an appropriate deposit fee for complex plan or policy statement changes (or new plan requests) up to a maximum of \$50,000 (including GST).

Note that the provisions pertaining to private plan changes under the RMA apply, and the charging or provision of payment does not infer approval or acceptance of any plan change request.

2.2 Application for resource consents, certificates of compliance and transfers

Council's charges under sections 36(1)(b) and 36(3) are given in Table 1 and are described further below.

2.2.1. General application fee

The General Application Fee is \$774 (including GST). This is made up of a fixed charge (under section 36(1)(b)) of ~~\$500-633~~ (GST ~~exclusive~~~~inclusive~~) and a deposit (section 36(3)) towards processing of ~~\$173-141~~ (GST ~~exclusive~~~~inclusive~~). Any additional costs will be invoiced by way of additional charges in accordance with section 36(3) (refer notes in Table 1). The fixed charge covers:

- All administrative activity for non-notified applications including, but not limited to, receiving applications, data entry, and file preparation. Notified applications will incur additional administrative costs associated with notification, submissions and hearing processes.
- Internal peer review of the reporting officer's report and recommendations including proposed conditions.
- Vehicle running costs.
- Decision making (for decisions made by staff acting under delegated authority).

2.2.2. Other application fees

These are fixed charges (section 36(1)(b)) with no additional costs payable.

2.3 Resource management discount regulations for late applications

In August 2010 the RMA Discount Regulations were introduced. The Regulations require the Regional Council to provide a discount of 1 per cent per day, up to a maximum of 50 working days for resource consent applications not processed within RMA timeframes.

Table 1: Consent application fees

General Application Fee (GST inclusive) – Note: this is a deposit and other fees incurred will be recovered on an actual and reasonable basis	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Resource Consent applications (except those specified below as fixed charges). Certificates of Compliance (excluding Onsite Effluent Treatment). Changes or cancellation of conditions of consents. Review of consent conditions. Transfer of consent to another site or another person at another site. Lapsing period extensions. 	\$774
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Publicly Notified Applications. 	\$10,000
Other application fees (GST inclusive) Note: these are fixed charges with no additional costs payable.	
Certificates of compliance – OSET Approval Inspection Fee Onsite Effluent Treatment Regional Plan	\$50
Land use consent to construct a single geotechnical, freshwater bore or domestic geothermal bore.	\$390
Applications for activities listed in regional plans that have zero fee ¹ .	\$0
Transfer of consent to another person at the same site <u>where a complete application is submitted</u> .	\$90
Short term consent for five years or less for onsite effluent treatment systems in future reticulation zones.	\$390
Onsite effluent treatment consents in communities where properties require a community solution.	\$390
Application to reduce the allocated rate of a surface water take consent or allocated annual volume of groundwater take consent.	\$0
<p>Notes:</p> <p>A. Where fees are deposits only the applicants will be charged all actual and reasonable costs above the deposit fee. Such costs may include, but not be limited to staff time (see Schedule A), advertising, hearing costs (including costs of Committee members, Commissioners, Technical Appointees and the Minister of Conservation's representative), disbursements and costs of consultants.</p> <p>B. Where an application is withdrawn the fixed fee of \$500 will be retained and any actual and reasonable costs incurred will also be charged.</p> <p>C. Where costs are incurred that exceed \$2,000 above the deposit, or at the end of every quarter, the applicant may be requested to pay an additional amount by way of an interim payment against the final total costs.</p> <p>D. In accordance with section 36(7), the processing of any application may be suspended until any relevant charge is paid in full.</p> <p>E. Where the deposit fee exceeds the processing costs by \$25 or more, the difference will be refunded to the applicant.</p> <p>F. Despite the above fee structure, the Consents Manager may require an appropriate application deposit fee for complex, multi-consent projects or limited notified applications up to a maximum of \$10,000 (GST inclusive).</p> <p>G. Costs for Hearing Committee members and Commissioners will be recovered from applicants at their set charge-out rate. Disbursements will be charged at actual and reasonable cost.</p> <p>H. The deposit fee for a Review of Consent Conditions is payable by the 20th of the month following service of notice by Council.</p> <p>I. All charges apply from 1 July 20176.</p> <p>J. An application to reduce the allocated volume/rate in a water take consent for zero cost must reduce the environmental effect of that take.</p> <p>J-K. <u>Where an incomplete application for a 'transfer of consent to another person at the same site' results in more than one hour of staff time being required to process the transfer, actual and reasonable costs will be charged to the</u></p>	

¹ At the time of writing this includes some bore permits under the Rotorua Geothermal Regional Plan (rule 19.6.3(d)) and some wetland works under the Regional Water and Land Plan (rule 80 and method 261).

transferee for the additional time required to process the incomplete application.

3 Resource consent charges

The following charges, made under sections 36(1) and 36(3) of the RMA, are payable by holders of resource consents to cover Council's costs associated with the administration, monitoring and supervision of those consents. The charges also cover a portion of Council's costs of carrying out regional and impact monitoring and specific investigations into the state of the environment.

Resource consent charges will be payable on the 20th of the month following the month the invoice was issued e.g. invoices issued in September will be due on 20th October. are invoiced annually in August/September². The annual charge is calculated as below:

$$\text{Annual Charge} = \text{Base Charge} + (\text{Compliance/Supervision Charge} \times \text{Credit Factor}) + \text{Regional/Impact Monitoring Charge}$$

3.1 Base charge

The base charge is \$~~13099~~ (GST ~~inclusive~~~~exclusive~~, ~~rounded up from \$98.64~~) per consent that is subject to annual charges. This charge covers the costs associated with:

- Maintaining and improving the consent database and associated records.
- Compiling and monitoring accounts, dealing with general enquiries from consent holders (including surrenders) and general administrative actions.
- Section 36 policy development and maintenance.

The base charge is not applicable in the following cases, in accordance with decisions adopted by Council at its meeting on 9 March 2017~~in accordance with previous Council policy decisions~~:

- (a) Long term consents for structures, reclamations or diversions in the Coastal Marine Area, rivers and lakes unless an inspection has been carried out (in which case and the consent holder is charged as per Schedule 1A or 2A).
- (b) "Consequential" consents such as the discharge permit in a consent an activity that involves a diversion to divert and discharge, or the discharge permit in a consent to an activity that involves taking and discharging water (e.g. to heat a pool). To qualify, the "consequential" consent must occur as a natural consequence of the primary activity and have no significant environmental effect compared to the primary consent.
- (c) Onsite wastewater (OSET - low risk) consents required under the Onsite Effluent Treatment Regional Plan for 20~~16~~/17/18.
- (d) In addition to the base charge, a special administrative charge is payable where multiple holders of one consent request separate invoicing and correspondence to each consent holder. An additional fee of ~~\$400-115~~ (GST ~~exclusive~~inclusive) will be charged to each additional consent holder requiring this service.

3.2 Compliance/supervision charge (Schedule 1A and 2A)

This section of the policy is based on both Council's requirement to monitor consents issued (section 36(1)(c) RMA) and where applicable, Council's specific compliance monitoring programme. It is

² Note that some resource consents are only invoiced if they have been the subject of a compliance inspection. These can be identified as consents that have a zero charge in both the compliance/supervision schedule (1) and the regional/impact monitoring schedules (1B to 12B).

Council policy that the majority of costs of compliance/supervision of consents should be recovered from consent holders.

Compliance/supervision activity involves the checking of consent conditions (validation) including such aspects as:

- Undertaking site inspections to ensure the activity complies with the consent requirements.
- Ensuring compliance with plans (including site plans, management plans and contingency plans) and quality criteria.
- Quality checking and filing of monitoring returns.
- The preparation of reports for file or Council.
- Day to day contact with individual consent holders such as enquiries, minor complaints and non-compliance issues via telephone calls and correspondence.
- Administrative tasks including entering and distributing field sheets and returns.

The compliance/supervision charge has been set as specified in the Compliance Monitoring Programme ~~2017/18~~~~2016/17~~, shown in Schedule 1A and 2A. Where the level of monitoring is undetermined the consent holder will be charged actual and reasonable costs including staff time (see the charge out rates in Schedule A).

This policy also provides that Council can recover from consent holders covered by Schedule 1A and 2A the actual and reasonable costs associated with:

- Second and subsequent inspections and follow-up work as necessitated by previous non-compliance. This includes time spent, and costs associated with, investigating confirmed non-compliances with a consent. These are subject to separate invoice following the inspection/follow-up/investigation.
- Auditing information required by consent conditions (for example management plans, engineering plans, landscape designs, approvals, etc.) or participation in peer review panels (as detailed in consent conditions). This includes the costs associated with managing these processes and any specialist technical advice required.

A fixed fee of \$~~23000~~ (GST ~~exclusive~~~~inclusive~~) for the late submission of records and monitoring reports as required by consent or Resource Management Act Regulations.

Holders of consents to take and/or discharge geothermal water and or contaminants will be invoiced separately for actual and reasonable costs of monitoring of temperature and flow, where such monitoring is required to be carried out by the consent holder, but the monitoring is not carried out by the consent holder. Actual and reasonable costs are based on staff or consultants actual time spent (including travel time) charged at the relevant rate for the staff/consultant involved as set out in Schedule A, actual and reasonable vehicle running costs and any additional costs incurred.

Note: The compliance/supervision fee in Schedule 1A will not be invoiced for Low Risk Onsite wastewater consents (OSET - low risk) for the ~~2016/17~~~~2017/18~~ year, in accordance with decisions adopted by Council at its meeting on 9 March 2017. However, as detailed above, actual and reasonable costs associated with follow-up work, as necessitated by previous non-compliance, will be charged.

~~3.2.1. Credit factor~~

~~Section 36(4)(d) of the RMA provides for charges to be reduced where consent holder self-monitoring reduces Council's monitoring costs. Under this policy the compliance/supervision charge may be reduced by up to a maximum of 10%. The actual credit will be determined on a case by case basis~~

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depending on the level of monitoring by the consent holder and the extent to which this reduces the Council's monitoring needs.

3.3 Regional/impact monitoring charge (Schedules 1B to 12B)

Section 36(1)(c) of the RMA allows Council to fix:

- (c) *Charges payable by holders of resource consents, for the carrying out by the local authority of its functions in relation to the administration, monitoring, and supervision of resource consents (including certificates of compliance), and for the carrying out of its resource management functions under section 35.*

The resource management functions detailed under section 35 of the RMA include monitoring:

- (a) *the state of the whole or any part of the environment of its region or district to the extent that is appropriate to enable the local authority to effectively carry out its functions under this Act; and*
- (b) *the efficiency and effectiveness of policies, rules, or other methods in its policy statement or its plan; and]*
- (c) *the exercise of any functions, powers, or duties delegated or transferred by it; and*
- (d) *the exercise of the resource consents that have effect in its region or district, as the case may be,—*

and take appropriate action (having regard to the methods available to it under this Act) where this is shown to be necessary.

Section 35 requires that local authorities gather information and undertake or commission such research, as is necessary to effectively carry out its functions under the RMA.

The Bay of Plenty Regional Council carries out a range of environmental monitoring under its Natural Environmental Regional Monitoring Network (NERMN). The NERMN includes monitoring of land resources, terrestrial ecology, water quality, freshwater and marine ecology, groundwater, river and stream flows, geothermal energy and air quality. Specific additional investigations are also carried out on a project basis where resources are under pressure (e.g. the regional groundwater study, harbour sedimentation studies). Finally, impact monitoring is carried out to assess activities with higher risk potential (e.g. large sewage and industrial effluent discharges).

The regional/impact monitoring charges are given in Schedules 1B to 12B.

Note: The regional/impact monitoring charge in Schedule 2B will not be invoiced for Low Risk Onsite wastewater consents (OSET - low risk) for the 2017/18 year, [in accordance with decisions adopted by Council at its meeting on 9 March 2017](#).

4 Miscellaneous administrative charges

Under sections 36(1)(e), 36(1)(f) and 36(1)(g) of the RMA and section 13 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act (1987), Council is able to charge for the provision of information in respect of plans and resource consents, the supply of documents and any kind of charge authorised by regulations. The various charges fixed by Council under these sections are set out below.

4.1 Information requests

Any information requests, including those under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act (1987), will be charged actual and reasonable costs with the first hour being free.

4.2 Photocopying and documents

The following charges include GST:

Photocopying	6c per A4 page (Black and White)
	10c per A3 page (Black and White)
	50c per A4 page (Colour)
	75c per A3 page (Colour)
Copies of BOPRC reports and publications	\$10 per document up to 25 pages
	\$12 per 25-50 page document
	\$15 per 50-100 page document

Copies of the following New Zealand Standards:

AS/NZS 1546.1:2008 On-site domestic wastewater treatment units – Septic tanks	\$147.30 <u>115</u>
AS/NZS 1546.3:2008 On-site domestic wastewater treatment units – Aerated wastewater treatment systems	\$408.64 <u>110</u>
AS/NZS 1547:2012 On site domestic wastewater management	\$216.24 <u>215</u>

4.3 Royalty collection

The Administration Fee for collection of Government Royalties is ~~\$405.120~~ (GST ~~exclusive~~inclusive).

4.4 Enforcement

Issuing an abatement notice is ~~\$492.220~~ (GST ~~exclusive~~inclusive) which will be charged to the holder of the consent, even if the notice itself is issued to a representative of the consent holder (e.g. farm manager, contractor, etc.). Note that this is for the issuing of the notice and does not include any additional costs associated with non-compliance as outlined in 6(h).

4.5 Forestry Operators Accreditation System (FOAS)

As per Schedule 12, clause 4.6(b) and (c) of the Bay of Plenty Regional Water and Land Plan, the following fees apply for the processing of a FOAS application and the Auditing of an Approved Operator:

- Forestry Operators Accreditation application fee: ~~\$402.115~~ (GST ~~exclusive~~inclusive);
- Application processing costs: The cost of the Accreditation Panel's associated with the processing of any application through to a recommendation, and the council staff time involved in assessing and processing the recommendation (this includes processing recommendation to decline) will be charged to the applicant on an actual and reasonable costs basis;
- Auditing fee: All actual and reasonable costs associated with the Auditing of any activity carried out under FOAS, including time and mileage. Actual and reasonable costs will also be invoiced to the Operator where the Audit is the result of a substantiated complaint.

5 Building Act Charges

Charges are set for technical processing and other functions under the Building Act 2004. These charges have been set using the principle that the full cost is to be recovered, including the base charge and any actual and reasonable additional costs.

Table 2: Building Act Charges

Activity	The base charge (including GST)	Additional cost
Administration cost for Register of Dams		
Lodge dam potential impact category	\$234240	On an actual and reasonable costs basis
Lodge dam safety assurance programme	\$234240	On an actual and reasonable costs basis
Lodge annual dam compliance certificate	\$234240	On an actual and reasonable costs basis
Review		
Review of potential impact classifications submitted by dam owners	Actual and reasonable costs	
Review of dam safety assurance programme	Actual and reasonable costs	
Compliance		
Standard labour cost and extra cost of expert advice, on an actual and reasonable costs basis.		
Building Consent for Dams		Additional cost
Apply for Project Information Memorandum (PIM)	\$153155	On an actual and reasonable costs basis.
<p>The Bay of Plenty Regional Council has transferred its building consent authority functions to the Waikato Regional Council for efficiency and cost reduction reasons. Please contact Waikato Regional Council or see its website www.waikatoregion.govt.nz/damsafety for relevant up-to-date fees and charges for building consents, which may include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Processing of building consents • Inspection process • Issuing dam code compliance certificate • Issuing compliance schedule. 		
Certificate of Acceptance		Additional cost
<p>The charges vary due to the complexity and scale. The base charge (excluding including GST, but excluding BRANZ levy and DBH levy) for a dam:</p> <p>Valued over \$100,000 is \$4,6904,000.</p> <p>Valued between \$20,000 and \$100,000 is \$2,3452,000.</p> <p>Valued up to \$20,000 is \$585500.</p>		On an actual and reasonable costs basis, including tax and levies.
Other functions		
<p>Charges for other functions, such as Compliance Schedule or amending of Compliance Schedule, are based on labour cost and extra cost of expert advice, on an actual and reasonable costs basis.</p> <p>Note other costs that may be charged back to the applicant include the actual cost of photocopying and printing, vehicle use and fuel, travel and accommodation, administration, including data digitising and data storage, site notices, advertisements, testing charges, commissioners, consultants (including engineers, specialists and scientists), staff time, and other disbursements.</p>		

6 General matters

- (a) The charges will cover the financial period from 1 July 201~~7~~⁶ – 30 June 201~~8~~⁷, but will continue for following financial years unless replaced through a new special consultative procedure.
- (b) If an activity is consented during the year which is not accommodated on the existing steps and schedules of the policy, an interim charge will be set based on the actual and reasonable costs to Council of carrying out the compliance monitoring/supervision and the regional/impact monitoring of the consent.
- (c) When a consent to which this policy applies expires or is surrendered or lawfully terminated during the year and the activity ceases, then in any case the minimum base charge of ~~\$99-130~~ ^{\$99-130} (GST inclusive) will apply and the remainder of the fee will be on a pro-rata basis having regard to what monitoring had been undertaken.
- (d) Where a consent to which this policy applies expires or is surrendered or lawfully terminated during the course of a year but the activity continues and is subject to a renewal process, then the full charge shall apply.
- (e) Where a consent is varied during a financial year to which this policy applies, any change in charge will apply on a pro-rata basis from when the variation is approved.
- (f) When a consent is issued part way through the financial year the charge will be on a pro-rata basis, but in all cases the minimum base charge of ~~\$99-130~~ ^{\$99-130} (GST inclusive) will first be payable.
- (g) Council may remit any charge made, in part or in full, in cases of inequity to be determined by resolution of Council. In doing so Council will credit the appropriate account.
- (h) The charges and scales of charges are set to recover a proportion of Council's costs identified in the Ten Year Plan, under sections 36(1) and 36(3) of the Resource Management Act 1991, assuming responsible use and compliance with consents and associated conditions.

Where non-compliance requires additional visits to those defined in the Compliance Monitoring Programme (Schedule 1A and 2A), the costs of any further visits and investigation will be charged at:

- (i) Officers actual time spent charged at the relevant rate for the staff/consultant involved (Schedule A), including travel and vehicle running costs.
- (ii) Incidental costs (e.g. laboratory analyses, specialist advice) at actual and reasonable costs incurred. If this was to apply the consent holder will be advised that additional costs are to be recovered.

Council will also recover the costs of investigating and reporting substantiated complaints relating to consented activities.

- (i) For accounts greater than \$5,000 payment can be made in three instalments on the following due dates:
 - ~~230~~ ²³⁰ November 201~~7~~⁶ 50%
 - ~~208~~ ²⁰⁸ February 201~~8~~⁷ 25%
 - ~~2034~~ ²³⁰ May 201~~8~~⁷ 25%

All fixed fee accounts less than \$5,000 should be paid by ~~230~~ ²³⁰ November 201~~7~~⁶. Actual and Reasonable fee accounts will normally be billed on a monthly basis.
- (j) Council may impose an additional administrative charge to cover the cost of debt recovery from individual consent holders.

7 Worked examples

The following are examples of annual charges (GST ~~exclusive~~inclusive) for a range of consented activities. Note that actual charges will be determined on a case by case basis.

<i>Small cooling water discharge to a river (Compliance Category = ID Min)</i>				
	Base Charge	Schedule 1A	Schedule 1B, 3	Total
Charges	\$13099	\$185458	\$140448	\$455376

<i>Small sewage discharge, land treatment, annual inspection (Compliance Category = STP Min)</i>				
	Base Charge	Schedule 1A	Schedule 2B, 3	Total
Charges	\$13099	\$435374	\$140448	\$705688

<i>Farm dairy discharge – Low risk, good infrastructure, land treatment. Three yearly monitoring. (Compliance Category = DairyLR)</i>				
	Base Charge	Schedule 1A	Schedule 3B, 2	Total
Charges	\$13099	\$5546	\$7060	\$255205

<i>Small to medium stormwater discharges, flood pumping schemes without contaminants to surface water. (Compliance Category = SW)</i>				
	Base Charge	Schedule 2A	Schedule 4B, 2	Total
Charges	\$13099	Actual and reasonable costs for inspections	\$11597	\$245196 plus A+R

<i>Geothermal take/discharge in the Rotorua field, 3 yearly compliance inspection (Compliance Category = GeoR)</i>				
	Base Charge	Schedule 1A *	Schedule 5B, 3a	Total
Charges	\$13099	\$155432	\$0	\$285234 plus A+R

* Takes in the Rotorua geothermal field may incur actual and reasonable costs for flow and temperature monitoring by Council

<i>Water take for irrigation, >5L/s, 5-yearly compliance inspection (Compliance Category = Irri large)</i>				
	Base Charge	Schedule 1A	Schedule 6B, 4	Total
Charges	\$13099	\$175448	\$875746	\$1,180,993

<i>Water take for irrigation, <5L/s, 3-yearly compliance inspection (Compliance Category = Irri small)</i>				
	Base Charge	Schedule 1A	Schedule 7B, 3	Total
Charges	\$13099	\$11597	\$515440	\$760636

<i>Large industrial geothermal take (Compliance Category = Geol)</i>				
	Base Charge	Schedule 2A	Schedule 8B, 8	Total
Charges	\$13099	Actual and reasonable costs for inspections	\$16,915,444,419	\$17,045,144,518 plus A+R

<i>Hydro-dam, full compliance check every year (Compliance Category = Hydro)</i>				
	Base Charge	Schedule 2A	Schedule 9B, 6	Total
Charges	\$13099	Actual and reasonable costs for inspections	\$3,1702,703	\$3,3002,802 plus A+R

<i>Sand blaster, discharge to air (Compliance Category = Air min)</i>				
	Base Charge	Schedule 1A	Schedule 10B, 2	Total
Charges	\$ 13099	\$ 125496	\$ 210480	\$ 465385

<i>Sea wall requiring 10-yearly monitoring (Compliance Category = Struct)</i>				
	Base Charge	Schedule 1A	Schedule 11B, 1	Total
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Charges	\$99	\$43	\$0	\$142

<i>Earthworks (0.9 ha) for subdivision (Compliance Category = EW)</i>				
	Base Charge	Schedule 2A	Schedule 12B, 1	Total
		Actual and reasonable costs for inspections		\$ 200159 plus A+R
Charges	\$ 13099		\$ 7060	

<i>Low Risk Onsite Effluent Treatment (OSET) discharge, 8 yearly inspection (Compliance Category = OSET LR)</i>				
	Base Charge	Schedule 1A	Schedule 2B, 1	Total
Charges	\$ 13099	\$ 8573	\$ 4537	\$0

8 Schedules

Note: all charges in the following schedules are GST ~~exclusive~~inclusive.

- Schedule A: Fixed Charges - Staff and Consultants.
- Schedules 1A and 2A: Compliance/Supervision monitoring charges.
- Schedules 1B to 12B: Regional/Impact monitoring charges.

Schedule A - Fixed charges for staff, consultants/contractors (GST exclusive/inclusive)

Grouping	Positions	Hourly Charge
Administration	Planning Administration Officer Regulatory Administration Officer Environmental Data Assistant Committee Administration Officer	\$85
Officers/Planners	Planner Pollution Prevention Officer Consents Officer Maritime Officer	\$106
Senior Officers/Senior Planners	Senior Consents Officer Senior Pollution Prevention Officer Senior Planner	\$122
Engineer/Scientist/Project Officers	Environmental Engineer Environmental Scientist Project Implementation Officer	\$126
Team Leader/Senior Project Officers/Works Engineer	Consents Team Leader Pollution Prevention Team Leader Laboratory Services Team Leader Works Engineer Senior Project Implementation Officer	\$134
Senior Engineer/Senior Scientist/Harbourmaster	Harbourmaster Senior Environmental Scientist Principal Technical Engineer	\$140
Managers/Regional Harbourmaster	Regional Harbourmaster Consents Manager Data Services Manager Regional Integrated Planning Manager Natural Resources Policy Manager Science Manager Pollution Prevention Manager Engineering Manager	\$180
Consultants/Contractors	External Consent Processing or Specialist Technical Consultant, or External Compliance Monitoring	As charged by consultant/contractor
Grouping		Mileage Charge
Consultants/Contractors		As charged by consultant/contractor
Regional Council staff		65c/km

<u>Group</u>	<u>Hourly rate (including GST)</u>
<u>Administration</u>	<u>\$105</u>
<u>Officers/Planners</u>	<u>\$145</u>
<u>Senior Officers/Planners</u>	
<u>Engineers/Scientist/Regulatory Project Officer (RPO)</u>	
<u>External contracted compliance monitoring officer</u>	
<u>Maritime Officer</u>	
<u>Team Leaders/Senior RPO/Works Engineer/Senior Maritime Officer</u>	<u>\$160</u>
<u>Senior Engineer/Senior Scientist/Harbourmaster</u>	
<u>Managers/Regional Harbour Master</u>	<u>\$210</u>
<u>Consultants/Contractors</u>	<u>As charged by consultant/contractor</u>
<u>Regional Council staff mileage</u>	<u>Current IRD rate</u>

Note: Some positions may not be listed. In such cases the charge will be calculated from actual time (including travel time) charged at rates determined from annual salary plus on-cost.

Schedule 1A – Consents subject to Annual Fixed Fee (GST inclusive)

Compliance Category	Code	Inspection Frequency	Comments	Annual Charge
Air Discharge - small industry	Air min	3 yearly	Sandblasters, spray painters, etc. Some are also audited by other agencies	\$125 406
Air Discharge - medium industry	Air med	1 yearly	Generally visited at the same time as rest of industrial visit. Some of these do require monthly checking of returns, as described above for Industrial discharges.	\$495 423
Dairy Sheds - low risk	DairyLR	3 yearly	PI systems: Adequate pond storage (lined in Rotorua lakes), appropriate irrigator technology for soil types and slopes, good compliance history	\$55 46
Dairy Sheds - moderate risk	DairyMR	2 yearly	All disposal systems that don't meet DairyLR or DairyHR criteria, but have good compliance history and systems that can be managed in a way that ensures compliance	\$155 432
Dairy Sheds - high risk	DairyHR	1 yearly	Any consent authorising a discharge to surface waters, or other High Risk dairy systems that don't meet DairyLR or DairyMR criteria	\$310 264
Industrial Discharges - small	ID Min	3 yearly	Small sites with small discharges and a low risk when managed well	\$185 458
Industrial Discharges - medium	ID Med	1 yearly	Medium sites with potential to result in moderate effects if not managed well	\$870 740
Landfills - closed	Landfill min	5 yearly	Closed landfills and managed cleanfill sites	\$175 448
OSET - low risk	OSET LR	8 yearly	All septic tanks and AWTs that are not within the OSET HR category. Inspected at time of installation and then on an 8 yearly basis	\$85 73
Piggeries	Pig	2 yearly	Low risk when managed correctly	\$135 417
Smaller Plants - small	STP Min	1 yearly	Not an OSET HR or OSET LR system, and up to 50m ³ /day	\$435 374
Transfer Stations	Transfer	1 yearly	Operational Transfer Stations	\$310 264
Timber Treatment Plant	TTP	1 yearly	Sites generally have tight environmental controls with a significant amount of reporting. Risk is high if uncontrolled discharges occur	\$555 476
Minor Dams	Dams	10 yearly	Mostly farm dams. Does not include Hydro-electric dams	\$40 32
Geothermal Abstraction - excluding Rotorua field	GeoO	3 yearly	All geothermal abstractors who are not large commercial operators, and are located outside of the Rotorua Geothermal field	\$175 449
Geothermal Abstraction - Rotorua field only	GeoR	3 yearly	All geothermal abstractors who are not large commercial operators, and are located inside of the Rotorua Geothermal field. Cost of undertaking temp and flow charged at A+R if not done by Consent holder	\$155 432
Industrial Abstraction - minor	Ind Min	5 yearly	As most of these water takes will fall under the NER, inspections can be reduced as records will be good indicator of compliance. Generally inspect the industrial takes at the same time as the industrial discharge consents are inspected	\$160 437
Hort/Agr Abstraction - >5L/s	Irri large	5 yearly	Larger takes covered by NER so require meter and verification. LTP target aims for reduced non-compliance	\$175 448

Hort/Agr Abstraction - <5L/s	Irri small	3 yearly	Small takes that do not generally require metering and verification, so require more frequent inspection.	\$11597
Municipal Abstraction - minor	MA Min	5 yearly	These water takes will generally fall under the NER, and as such records will be good indicator of compliance	\$170443
Geothermal Abstractors (Warm Water Bores Tga)	Warm	3 yearly	All warm water abstractors in the Western Bay area who are not Industrial or Municipal abstractors	\$175449

Schedule 2A – Consents subject to Actual and Reasonable charges

Compliance Category	Code	Inspection Frequency	Comments
Air Discharge - large industry	Air Maj	3 monthly	In addition to regular visits, these require very frequent review of compliance returns, technical reports, etc. throughout year.
Aquaculture	Aqua	1 yearly	Aquaculture monitoring
Bore Installations	Bore Ins	As required	Administration only. Generally no site visit undertaken
Comprehensive Catchment Stormwater	CCSW	1 yearly	Regular review of returns and reports
Dewater	Dewater	As required	Short term consents usually associated with earthworks, so inspected during earthworks site visit
Other Disturbance	Disturb	1 yearly	Inspected during works
Diversions	Div	As required	Inspected as per earthworks during construction, then not at all
Dredging	Dredge	1 yearly	Inspected during works
Earthworks	EW	As required	An estimated annual monitoring time has been allocated for this category, as only a portion of all consents are "active" at any one time. Inspections are usually once every month, but can increase or decrease depending on site risk
Forestry	Forest	As required	An estimated annual monitoring time has been allocated for this category, as only a portion of all consents are "active" at any one time. Inspections are once every 2 months, but can increase or decrease depending on site risk
Geothermal Abstractors (Large scale industrial)	Geol	6 monthly	Complex sites, Peer Review Panels, Community Liaison Groups, etc.
Hydro Dams	Hydro	1 yearly	Large hydro schemes are generally well managed however impact of non-compliance can be very significant
Industrial Discharges Major	ID Maj	3 monthly	These require very frequent review of compliance returns, technical reports, etc. throughout year
Industrial Abstraction - major	Ind Maj	As required or 5 yearly	As most of these water takes will fall under the NER, inspections can be reduced as records will be good indicator of compliance. Generally inspect the industrial takes at the same time as the industrial discharge consents are inspected
Landfills - Open	Landfill Maj	6 monthly	Open landfills and managed cleanfill sites
Mangroves	Mangrove	1 yearly	Inspected as and when required when removal is taking place
Municipal Abstraction - major	MA Maj	As required or 5 yearly	These water takes will fall under the NER, and as such records will be good indicator of compliance
OSET - high risk	OSET HR	1 yearly	All septic tanks and AWTS within 200m of Rotorua Lakes, or within Maintenance Zones as shown in OSET Plan, or where the system receives more than 2m ³ /day, or where there has been a poor history of compliance
Quarries - large commercial	Quarry Lge	6 monthly	Large commercial quarries
Quarries (small)	Quarry Sml	3 yearly	Example: Forestry, farm quarry

Reclamations	Rec	As required	Inspected as per earthworks during construction, then not at all
Disturb, excavate foreshore or seabed	Sand	5 yearly	Inspected during works
Sewage Plants - large	STP Maj	6 monthly	Not an OSET HR or OSET LR system, and greater than 50m ³ /day
Shingle extraction	Shingle	1 yearly	Inspected during extraction - irregular basis
Spray - herbicides, etc.	Spray	As required	Inspected on an infrequent basis depending on whether the activity is taking place
Stormwater	SW	As required	Variety of low risk consents. Generally only monitored at installation, unless issues arise

Schedule 1B - Water management (GST inclusive)

Scale of regional/impact monitoring charges for consents to discharge industrial or process related water and/or contaminants

Step	Annual charge	Examples
1	\$4537	Negligible individual impact but cumulative impacts require monitoring. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Small volume, often intermittent.
2	\$7060	Minor individual impact but cumulative impacts require monitoring. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Small volume, low concentration waste. May not be continuous.
3	\$140118	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Regular discharge. Contains contaminants. Volume <20 m ³ /day.
4	\$355302	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Range of contaminants. Volume <50 m ³ /day, regular Discharge to surface water. No impact on other users. For land discharge volume up to 150 m ³ /day increase in contaminant concentration.
5	\$1,4104,204	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Noticeable effect on resource, other users. Regular discharge volume <100 m ³ /day. Noticeable effect on resource, other users. Regular discharge volume <100 m ³ /day. Range of contaminants. For land discharge volume up to 250 m ³ /day and increase in contaminant concentration.
6	\$28,2002,4040	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Significant potential effect on resource, but does not exclude other users. Volume <1,000 m ³ /day. Range of contaminants. For land discharge volume up to 2,000 m ³ /day and increase in contaminant concentration.
7	\$7,0456,008	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Major receiving water impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Significant potential effect on resource, but does not exclude other users. Volume <10,000 m ³ /day. Range of contaminants. For land discharge, volume up to 20,000 m ³ /day and increase in contaminant concentrations.
8	\$14,0954,2,046	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Major receiving water impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Significant potential effect on resource, but does not exclude other users. Volume <20,000 m ³ /day. Contaminants discharge to receiving waters, utilises significant portion of assimilative capacity of receiving water. Likely to exclude other significant users.
9	\$21,1404,8,024	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Major receiving water impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Significant effect on resource, other users. Volume exceeds 20,000m ³ /day. Contaminants discharge to receiving waters, utilises substantial proportion of assimilative capacity of receiving water. Likely to exclude other significant users.
10	\$28,1902,4,034	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Major receiving water impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Very High Impact; as a result of individual discharge or combined effect with other discharges. Substantial effect on resource or other users. Substantial range of contaminants. Can exclude other significant users.
11	\$56,3754,8,064	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Major receiving water impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Severe impact. The individual discharge has a substantial effect on resources and other users. Substantial range of contaminants. Excludes other significant users. May alter habitat and impact ecosystem.

Schedule 2B - Water management (GST inclusive)

Scale of regional/impact monitoring charges for consents to discharge sewage related water and/or contaminants

Step	Annual charge	Examples
1	\$4537	Negligible individual impact but cumulative impacts require monitoring. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. No offsite Impacts. Small scale on site disposal. Individual household, up to 2 m ³ /day.
2	\$7060	Minor individual impact but cumulative impacts require monitoring. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. No offsite Impacts. Small scale on site disposal. Up to 30 m ³ /day.
3	\$140418	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Limited offsite Impacts. Small scale communal system. Land based system 30-50 m ³ /day.
4	\$420360	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Potential offsite impacts. Small communal system. 50-100 m ³ /day. For land based 50-200 m ³ /day.
5	\$1,410,204	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Potential and occasional offsite impacts. Significant community. Up to 2,000 m ³ /day. For land discharge up to 4,000 m ³ /day. No trade wastes.
6	\$3,5253,004	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Major receiving water impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Moderate impact. Small town treatment system. Potential effect on resource, but does not exclude other users. Limited trade wastes.
7	\$7,0456,008	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Major receiving water impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Moderate Impact. Medium scale treatment system. Identifiable effects on resource, but does not exclude other users. Trade wastes.
8	\$14,0954,2,046	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Major receiving water impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Moderate to high impact. Identifiable effects on resource, can exclude other users. Significant trade wastes.

Schedule 3B - Water management (GST inclusive)

Scale of regional/impact monitoring charges for consents to discharge agricultural related water and/or contaminants

Step	Annual charge	Examples
1	\$4537	Negligible individual impact but cumulative impacts require monitoring. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. No offsite impacts. Land discharge <20 m ³ /day.
2	\$7060	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Discharge to surface water and land discharge >20 m ³ /day. Potential effect on resource, but does not exclude other users.
3	\$28024 0	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Small to moderate impact. Some impact on resource, minimal impact on other users.
4	\$84572 0	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Moderate impact. Utilises significant amount of receiving water capacity. May impact on other users. <50 m ³ /day.
5	\$1,410 4,204	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Major receiving water impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Moderate to high impact. Utilises substantial amount of receiving water capacity. Excludes other users.

Schedule 4B - Water management (GST inclusive)

Scale of regional/impact monitoring charges for consents to discharge stormwater, quarrying, dredging, leachate and miscellaneous related water and/or contaminants

Step	Annual charge	Examples
1	\$ 5548	Negligible individual impact but cumulative impacts require monitoring. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. No offsite effects. Land based disposal only.
2	\$ 11597	Minor individual impact but cumulative impacts require monitoring. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Low concentration of limited contaminants. Intermittent discharge. Insignificant impact on resource.
3	\$ 170445	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Small Impact. Low concentration of limited contaminants. Intermittent to regular discharge.
4	\$ 420360	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Moderate impact. Minor effect on resource. Does not exclude other users. Low to medium concentration of limited contaminants. Intermittent to regular discharge.
5	\$ 1,4104,204	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Moderate to Significant impact. Has impact on resource and may affect other users. Increase in concentration and number of contaminants discharged.
6	\$ 4,2253,604	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Significant impact. Has impact on resource, can exclude other users. Can have impact on biota and alters habitat. May contain toxic substances.
7	\$ 8,4557,200	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Major receiving water impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Major impact. Has impact on resource, can exclude other users. Has impact on biota and alters habitat.

Schedule 5B - Water management (GST inclusive)

Scale of regional/impact monitoring charges for consents to discharge warm water/geothermal fluid into the ground

Step	Annual charge	Examples
1	\$3025	Negligible individual impact but cumulative impacts require monitoring. No foreign contamination.
2a	\$0	Reinjection (Rotorua Geothermal Field), small volume <25 m ³ /day. Regular discharge.
2b	\$5548	Soakage (Rotorua Geothermal Field), small volume <25 m ³ /day. Regular discharge. Minor individual impact but cumulative impacts may require monitoring. Minor impact. No foreign contamination.
3a	\$0	Reinjection (Rotorua Geothermal Field), volume <250 m ³ /day. Regular discharge.
3b	\$140118	Soakage (Rotorua Geothermal Field). Regular discharge. Volume <250 m ³ /day. Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Small impact. No foreign contamination.
4a	\$0	Reinjection (Rotorua Geothermal Field), volume <500 m ³ /day. Regular discharge.
4b	\$565482	Soakage (Rotorua Geothermal Field). Regular discharge. Volume <500 m ³ /day. Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Small to moderate impact. No foreign contamination.
5a	\$0	Reinjection (Rotorua Geothermal Field), volume <2,000 m ³ /day. Regular discharge.
5b	\$1,4104,204	Soakage (Rotorua Geothermal Field). Regular discharge. Volume <2,000 m ³ /day. Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Moderate impact. No foreign contamination. Has potential to affect resource or other users.
6	\$2,8202,404	Discharge to reinjection. Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Moderate impact. No foreign contamination. May affect resource and other users. Regular discharge. Volume <5,000 m ³ /day.
7	\$7,0456,008	Discharge to reinjection. Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. High impact. No foreign contamination. Resource affected. Can exclude other users. Volume >5,000 m ³ /day.

Schedule 6B - Water management (GST inclusive)

Scale of regional/impact monitoring charges for consents to take surface water

(Note: these charges vary depending on the volume of water permitted to be taken under the consent as per the examples below and apply regardless of whether the allocation is being used).

Step	Annual charge	Examples
1	\$6054	Negligible individual impact but cumulative impacts require monitoring. Includes environmental protection or enhancement activities. Plentiful resource 0-250 m ³ /day. Frost protection - up to 1,000 m ³ /day.
2	\$120402	Minor individual impact but cumulative impacts require monitoring. Includes environmental protection or enhancement activities. No significant impact on other users. Plentiful resource 250-500 m ³ /day. Frost protection - up to 2,000 m ³ /day.
3	\$220486	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Small Impact. Some impact on flow particularly in combination with other users. Not detrimental to in-stream values. 500-1,000 m ³ /day. Frost protection - up to 3,000 m ³ /day.
4	\$875746	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Small to moderate impact. Impact on flow may exclude other users. 1,000-2,000 m ³ /day (municipal and industrial takes). Up to 5,000 m ³ /day (irrigators). Frost protection - >3,000 m ³ /day.
5	\$2,2654,929	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Moderate Impact. Impact on flow may exclude other users. May be detrimental to in-stream values. Up to 10,000 m ³ /day.
6	\$6,7905,788	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Moderate to Large Impact. Significant abstraction. Can have impacts on the resource and other users. Up to 30,000 m ³ /day.
7	\$11,3159,647	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Major resource impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. High impact. Significant water abstraction. Has significant impact on resource. Up to 50,000 m ³ /day.
8	\$22,63049,292	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity require specific monitoring techniques. Major resource impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. High impact. Significant water abstraction. Has significant impact on resource. Up to 100,000 m ³ /day.
9	\$45,26038,583	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity require specific monitoring techniques. Major resource impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. Substantial Impact. Has significant impact on water availability and capacity to receive discharges. Utilises large proportion of stream flow >10% of Q5. Potential to exclude other users. Up to 200,000 m ³ /day.

Schedule 7B - Water management (GST inclusive)

Scale of regional/impact monitoring charges for consents to take groundwater excluding geothermal

(Note: these charges vary depending on the volume of water permitted to be taken under the consent as per the examples below and apply regardless of whether the allocation is being used).

Step	Annual charge	Examples
1	\$140,118	Negligible individual impact but cumulative impacts require monitoring. Plentiful resource. Up to 250 m ³ /day. Frost protection - up to 1,000 m ³ /day.
2	\$280,239	Minor individual impact but cumulative impacts require monitoring. No significant impact on other users. Plentiful resource. Up to 500 m ³ /day. Frost protection - up to 2,000 m ³ /day.
3	\$515,440	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Small impact. Resource may be limited. Can impact other users. Up to 1,000 m ³ /day. Frost protection - up to 3,000 m ³ /day.
4	\$2,060,176	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Moderate impact. Resource may be limited. Can impact resource and other users. Up to 2,000 m ³ /day (municipal and industrial takes). Up to 5,000 m ³ /day (irrigators). Frost protection - >3,000 m ³ /day.
5	\$2,895,246	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Moderate Impact. Other users potentially affected. Resource may be impacted. Up to 5,000 m ³ /day (municipal and industrial takes). Up to 7,500 m ³ /day (irrigators).
6	\$5,325,459	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Moderate to Large Impact. Other users affected or excluded. Resource impacted. Up to 10,000 m ³ /day.
7	\$15,975,367	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Major resource impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. Large Impact. Other users affected or excluded. Resource impacted. Up to 30,000 m ³ /day.
8	\$26,620,266	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity require specific monitoring techniques. Major resource impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. Major Impact. Localised effect on complex resource. Can limit or exclude other users. Up to 50,000 m ³ /day.

Schedule 8B - Water management (GST inclusive)

Scale of regional/impact monitoring charges for consents to take geothermal fluid and geothermal heat/energy

Step	Annual charge	Examples
1	\$ 3025	Negligible individual impact but cumulative impacts require monitoring. Geothermal fluid <5 m ³ /day. Warm water bores (Tauranga Field) <25 m ³ /day.
2	\$ 5548	Minor individual impact but cumulative impacts require monitoring. No significant impact on other users. Geothermal fluid <25 m ³ /day. Down-hole heat exchangers <5 kw. Warm water bores (Tauranga Field) <100 m ³ /day.
3	\$ 8070	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Small impact. Resource may be limited. Can impact other users. Geothermal fluid < 50 m ³ /day. Down-hole heat exchangers >50 kw. Warm water bores (Tauranga Field) >100 m ³ /day.
4	\$ 475404	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Moderate impact. Resource may be limited. Can impact resource and other users. Geothermal fluid <150 m ³ /day.
5	\$ 1,410,204	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Moderate impact. Other users potentially affected. Resource may be impacted. Geothermal fluid <350 m ³ /day.
6	\$ 3,525,004	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Moderate to large impact. Other users affected or excluded. Resource impacted. Geothermal fluid <2,000 m ³ /day.
7	\$ 7,045,008	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Major resource impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. Large impact. Other users affected or excluded. Resource impacted. Geothermal fluid up to 20,000 m ³ /day.
8	\$ 16,915,449	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity require specific monitoring techniques. Major resource impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. Major impact. Localised effect on complex resource. Can limit or exclude other users. Geothermal fluid >20,000 m ³ /day.

Schedule 9B - Water management (GST inclusive)

Scale of regional/impact monitoring charges for consents to dam and/or divert

Step	Annual charge	Examples
1	\$4537	Negligible individual impact but cumulative impacts require monitoring. Intermittent flood control, permanent stream diversions and realignments. Environmental protection or enhancement activities. Dams:- less than 1.5 m. Diversions: - mean stream flow less than 0.5 m ³ /sec.
2	\$7060	Minor individual impact but cumulative impacts require monitoring. No significant impact on resource. No impact on in-stream values. Permanent stream diversions and realignments. Environmental protection or enhancement activities. Dams:- less than 3 m. Diversions:- mean stream flow less than 1 m ³ /sec.
3	\$140448	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Small impact. Potential effect on resource. Some impact on in-stream values on a more sensitive stream/river. Permanent stream diversions and realignments. Dams:- less than 3 m. Diversions:- mean stream flow less than 2 m ³ /sec.
4	\$420360	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Small impact. Effect on resource. Some impact on in-stream values. Permanent stream diversions and realignments. Dams:- less than 5 m. Diversions:- mean stream flow less than 10 m ³ /sec. Diversion of water (power schemes) less than 10% of mean flow of river system.
5	\$1,125964	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Small to moderate impact. Significant effect on resource. Impact in-stream values. Ecosystem impacts. Minimal compensation flow. Dams:- less than 10 m. Diversions:- (a) Permanent stream diversions and realignments - mean stream flow less than 20 m ³ /sec. (b) Diversion of water (power scheme) less than 20% of mean flow of river system.
6	\$3,1702,703	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Moderate impact. Impacts flow regime of part of catchment. Significant impact on stream ecosystem and in-stream values. Limits and may exclude other users. Diversion of water (power schemes) less than 30% of mean flow of river system.
7	\$5,6404,807	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Major resource impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. Large impact. Other users affected or excluded. Resource impacted. Geothermal fluid up to 20,000 m ³ /day.
8	\$9,8658,411	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity require specific monitoring techniques. Major resource impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. Large Impact. Impacts flow regime of part of catchment. Substantial impact on stream ecosystem and in-stream values. Likely to exclude other users. Diversion of water (power schemes) greater than 50% of mean flow of river system.

Schedule 10B - Air management **(GST inclusive)**

Regional/impact monitoring charges for consents to discharge contaminants into air

Step	Annual charge	Examples
1	\$4537	Small landfills.
2	\$210180	Sand blasters, small incinerators. Predominantly former Class "B" processes. Medium/large sewage plant air discharges.
2a	\$4537	Spray painters. Small/medium sewage plant air discharges.
3	\$210180	Hot dip galvanising. Asphalt manufacture.
4	\$565482	Rendering plants.
5	\$1,4101,204	A range of chemical processes. Larger boiler plant.
6	\$4,2303,605	A range of chemical processes with higher risk of offsite effects.
7	\$8,4557,209	Fertiliser Manufacturing Plant.
8	\$16,9151,449	Major pulp and paper mill.

Schedule 11B - Coastal management **(GST inclusive)**

Regional/impact monitoring charges for coastal consents (other than takes and discharges)

Step	Annual charge	Examples
1	\$0	No charge as there is no specific regional/impact monitoring programme associated with this category of consents.
2	\$115104	Aquaculture – offshore marine farms <10 hectare occupied consented area.
3	\$1,1751,038	Aquaculture – offshore marine farms ≥10-10 hectares occupied consented area.
4	\$10,384	Aquaculture – offshore marine farms >10 hectares occupied area.

Note: The Regional/impact monitoring charges for ~~offshore~~ marine farms apply from the time the consent is exercised (i.e. once marine farm equipment is installed in the water) and are based on the area ~~actually occupied consented~~.

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Schedule 12B - Land use management (GST inclusive)

Regional/impact monitoring charges for land use consents

Step	Annual charge	Examples
0	\$0	Minor earthworks not covered by Steps 1-5 (e.g. installation of structures such as culverts and jetties).
1	\$7060	Earthworks and forestry operations <1 hectare (total land area covered under the consent). *
2	\$210480	Earthworks and forestry operations 1-10 hectares (total land area covered under the consent). *
3	\$420360	Earthworks and forestry operations >10 hectares (total land area covered under the consent). *
4	\$7060	Quarries <2 hectare (total land area allowed to be worked under the consent).
5	\$140448	Quarries >2 hectare (total land area allowed to be worked under the consent).

* Note: earthworks include those associated with land development, tracks, roads, forestry, vegetation clearance and rehabilitation works. It does not include consents for installation of structures (e.g. culverts and jetties).

APPENDIX 2

Letter to consent holders 31 March 2017

Your Ref:
Our Ref:



31 March 2017 2017

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Dear Sir/Madam

Proposed Resource Management Act and Building Act Charges Policy 2017/2018

Bay of Plenty Regional Council is currently consulting on the proposed Resource Management Act and Building Act Charges Policy 2017/2018 (*the Council Charges Policy*).

The Council Charges Policy includes details on resource management fees and charges associated with:

- Consent applications charges.
- Staff charges.
- Annual consent charges (base fee).
- Compliance charges (annual fixed fees and consents subject to actual and reasonable charges).
- Regional/impact monitoring charges.
- Building Act charges.

As a holder of resource consent you may be affected by these changes. The proposed changes to the Council Charges Policy can be viewed at <http://www.boprc.govt.nz/knowledge-centre/policies/section-36-charges-policy/>.

In summary the proposed changes to this year's Council Charges Policy are:

- Increasing the \$500 fixed charge component of the general application fee for resource consents by \$50 to \$633 (GST inclusive) to reflect the increased administration required in the Council's new database system.
- Replacing the fixed fee for processing short term consents for On-Site Effluent Treatment systems with the general application fee and recovery of actual and reasonable costs for consent applications.
- Maintaining the fixed fee for transfer of consent applications that are complete, but introduce recovery of actual and reasonable costs for incomplete transfer applications.

Objective ID:

- Simplifying the categories for staff charge-out rates in Schedule A, as described in Table 1 of the Policy which can be found at <http://www.boprc.govt.nz/knowledge-centre/policies/section-36-charges-policy/>.
- Increasing the base charge by \$10 (plus 2% inflation) for all consent activities.
- Removing the 'credit factor' allowance applied to the fixed fee supervision/compliance charge for self-monitoring.
- Amending Schedule 11B (Coastal management) to provide a charging structure that better reflects the extent of aquaculture in the region.
- Increasing Schedules A (staff charge-out rates), 1A (annual fixed fee) and 1B-12B (regional impact/monitoring) charges by inflation of 2% and rounded to the nearest \$5.
- Building Act charges have been increased by inflation of 2% and rounded to the nearest \$5.

Making a submission

If you would like to make a submission on the proposed Council Charges Policy, you can do so before 4 pm, 30 April 2017 by dropping it into one of our Council offices in Whakatāne, Tauranga or Rotorua; or by using one of the following methods:

Email submission:

Please reference "Council Charges Policy" in the subject line of your submission. Email it to feesandcharges@boprc.govt.nz. An electronic submission form is available at <http://www.boprc.govt.nz/knowledge-centre/policies/section-36-charges-policy/>.

Written submission:

Post your written submission, referencing "Council Charges Policy" in the subject line, to:

Bay of Plenty Regional Council
Freepost 122076
PO Box 364
Whakatane 3158

If you have any specific questions on the proposed changes please contact a Regulatory Coordinator on 0800 884 880. You will need your resource consent number(s) handy when you call.

Yours faithfully



Alex Miller
Regulatory Compliance Team Leader

APPENDIX 3

Submission #1 - Council Charges Policy

-----Original Message-----

From: Fred and Gill [REDACTED]

Sent: Friday, 28 April 2017 8:41 a.m.

To: Fees and Charges

Subject: re proposed RMA & Building Act Charges Policy

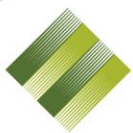
Hi-my bore consent number is [REDACTED]

Re credit factor allowance paragraph,not sure what it means but I have telemetry reporting for my bore,put in at my expense for around \$[REDACTED] which would be very beneficial for the Council-I would like a discount on fees applying to my bore consent.

Thank you,Fred Willis

APPENDIX 4

Submission #2 - Council Charges Policy



28 April 2017

Alex Miller
Bay of Plenty Regional Council
PO Box 364
WHAKATANE 3158

Dear Sir/Madam

Council Charges Policy 2017 / 2018

With reference to your letter dated 31 March 2017 regarding Bay of Plenty Regional Council charges policy and in particular resource management fees and charges associated with -

- Consent application
- Staff charges
- Annual consent charges
- Compliance charges
- Regional / impact monitoring charges
- Building Act.

Western Bay of Plenty District Council's response to each component is outlined below

1. Consent application

Do not support the increase in the \$500 fixed fee charge component to reflect the increased administration costs required in the Council's new database.

The introduction of a new database should be covered within Council's existing budgets. Hopefully more efficient processing will eventuate from the new database being implemented.

2. Staff changes

Agree with proposed changes to simplify the categories for staff charge out rates in Schedule A.

3. Annual consent charges

Do not support increasing the base charge by \$10, but accept 2% inflation increase for consenting activities.



4. *Compliance charges*

Accept proposed removal of credit factor allowance.

5. *Regional / impact monitoring charges*

Accepted and support as suggested in correspondence letter dated 31 March 2017.

6. *Building Act*

Accepted and support the proposed fee increase by inflation.

We do not wish to be heard with regards to this submission.

If you have any queries relating to the above, please do not hesitate to contact me, by phone, on 07 571 8008 during business hours.

Yours faithfully



Kelvin Hill
Utilities Manager

cc: Gary Allis, Group Manager Infrastructure Services

APPENDIX 5

Submission #3 - Council Charges Policy

Council Charges Policy

My suggestion is as follows –

One way of reducing costs to both the Council and the Consent Holder when reapplying for a consent is to streamline the requirement for Iwi approval. The current system can take months of dialogue with parties that have no jurisdiction over the particular water source.

e.g The PONGAKAWA RIVER

All applicants have to go through this process when the Council should either by way of historic applications have any issue dealt with OR at least direct the applicant to the one or two relevant Iwi parties. This would save both the Council and applicants considerable time and money.

Consent holder -

Burnside Capital Ltd
Colin McCarthy

