



Resource Management Act 1991

The following application for resource consent has been received by Bay of Plenty Regional Council.

The application documents, including an assessment of environmental effects, can be viewed on our website (www.bopbrc.govt.nz). Alternatively, an electronic copy of the application documentation can be requested from the Regulatory Coordination Team via email to RegulatoryAdmin@boprc.govt.nz or phone 0800 884 880.

Applicant's address for service

Application number RM18-0211. The applicant's postal address is Bay of Plenty Regional Council – Integrated Catchments Group, C/O Fergusson Planning, PO Box 336, Whakatane 3158, Attention: Tim Fergusson or email tim@fergussonplanning.co.nz.

Nature of Application

Bay of Plenty Regional Council Integrated Catchments Group has applied for resource consent for the replacement of resource consent 64684, which relates to the construction of erosion and flood protection works within and adjacent to waterways across the Bay of Plenty region and at stream mouths along defined sections of the Bay of Plenty coastline.

The Applicant states that the works proposed are typically small-scale works undertaken to remedy bank erosion, protect people and property from flooding and/or to enhance riparian habitats. The works are proposed to be undertaken by the Applicant in order to fulfil the statutory obligations of the Bay of Plenty Regional Council with regard to soil conservation, maintaining and enhancing water quality and avoiding or mitigating natural hazards.

Specifically, the application is seeking to undertake the following activities:

- Repairing stream/riverbank erosion using various types of structures and vegetation;
- Carrying out channel realignment and clearance works to address problems caused by lateral migration or elevated water levels;
- Removing sediment, debris, sand and gravel build up from the beds of rivers and streams to reduce the risk of flooding on adjacent land;
- Maintaining riparian vegetation (including mulching) and removing debris from the beds and banks of watercourses where they are causing obstructions and causing (or have the potential to cause) bank erosion (collapse) or scour of the stream bed;
- Redirecting and altering water flows to restore original channel alignment to prevent the loss of productive land;
- Works within the coastal marine area to open and/or realign stream mouths and clear debris in order to prevent or remedy upstream flooding; and
- Battering and planting stream banks to provide bank stability and enhance riparian habitats.

The application specifically excludes the following areas:

- Waterways within the River Scheme Maintenance Areas defined in Schedule 5 of the Bay of Plenty Regional Natural Resources Plan;

- Rivers and streams within the boundaries of Te Urewera, Whirinaki Te Pua-a-Tane Conservation Park, the Raukumara Conservation Area and the Kaimai-Mamaku Forest Park;
- The Rotorua Lakes; and
- Those sections of rivers and streams within the coastal marine area, except within sections of coastline between Otamarakau and Matata and between the eastern side of the Ohiwa Harbour entrance and Cape Runaway, as well as the rivers and streams which flow into the Ohiwa Harbour.

Submissions

Any person may make a submission on the application by sending a written submission to Bay of Plenty Regional Council at PO Box 364, Whakatāne, facsimile 0800 884 882, telephone 0800 884 880, no later than **5.00 p.m. on Monday, 1 February 2021.**

The submission must be dated, signed by you and include:

- 1 Your name, postal address, telephone number and facsimile number (if applicable).
- 2 Details of the application, including location.
- 3 Whether you support or oppose the application.
- 4 Your reasons for the submission.
- 5 The decision you wish the Bay of Plenty Regional Council to make.
- 6 Whether you wish to be heard in support of your submission.

A submission template can be downloaded from our website www.boprc.govt.nz or submission forms are available from our offices.

A copy of your submission must also be served on the applicant at the address given, as soon as reasonably practicable.

Dated at Whakatane this Monday, 23 November 2020.

Fiona McTavish
Chief Executive
