

## **Resource Management Act 1991**

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

Electronic copies of the application documents, including an assessment of environmental effects, can be viewed on the Bay of Plenty Regional Council website ([www.boprc.govt.nz](http://www.boprc.govt.nz)) or the Western Bay of Plenty District Council website ([www.westernbay.govt.nz](http://www.westernbay.govt.nz)). Electronic copies of the application documents can also be requested from the Regulatory Coordination Team of the Bay of Plenty Regional Council, phone 0800 884 880.

### **Applicant's address for service**

The applicant's postal address is: C/- 4Sight Consulting Ltd, PO Box 13077, Tauranga Central 3141. Attention: Paula Golsby, email [paulag@4sight.co.nz](mailto:paulag@4sight.co.nz).

### **Nature of application**

Tauranga City Council has applied to the Bay of Plenty Regional Council and Western Bay of Plenty District Council to create physically and culturally safe access to Omanawa Falls, and to provide for a comprehensive 'Omanawa Falls Experience' tourist and recreation facility. The project is to be staged, with the immediate priority being the provision of safe access, including on-site parking, toilet facilities and managed access.

### **Consents applied for:**

Bay of Plenty Regional Council application number RM21-0449:

- 1 Earthworks: rock scaling to stabilise a cliff face.
- 2 Vegetation clearance: as part of cliff stabilisation/rock scaling and to construct parts of the walking track.
- 3 Structure on the bed of a stream: construct a wooden platform next to the Omanawa waterfall pool (Omanawa River).

Western Bay of Plenty District Council application number RC13050L:

- 1 Signage: on-site and associated with an activity for which resource consent has been granted.
- 2 Significant Ecological Feature: the removal and clearance of native vegetation, earthworks and establishment of a public trail.
- 3 Heritage: for works within the surrounds of the Omanawa Falls Power Station.
- 4 Public Trail: the establishment and use of a public trail, viewing platforms and related signage.
- 5 Accommodation Facility: establishment for use by staff members or kaitiaki, within the visitor centre building.

- 6 Place of Assembly: the use of land, buildings and structures (public trail, carpark, toilet facilities, visitor centre and ancillary activities) involving the congregation of people for recreation and/or cultural tourism activities.

## 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 3158 or email [RegulatoryAdmin@boprc.govt.nz](mailto:RegulatoryAdmin@boprc.govt.nz) no later than **5:00 p.m. on Friday, 17 September 2021**.

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

- 1 Your name, postal address, telephone number and facsimile number (if applicable).
- 2 Whether your submission relates to consents sought from the Bay of Plenty Regional Council or Western Bay of Plenty District Council or both.
- 3 Whether you support or oppose the application along with your comments/reasons.
- 4 The decision you wish the Bay of Plenty Regional Council and/or Western Bay of Plenty District Council to make.
- 5 Whether you wish to be heard in support of your submission.

If you wish to make a submission on the application to Bay of Plenty Regional Council, a template submission form can be downloaded from [www.boprc.govt.nz/do-it-online/consent-forms](http://www.boprc.govt.nz/do-it-online/consent-forms) - Other forms (surrenders, transfers, etc – Forms – Make a submission).

If you wish to make a submission on the application to Western Bay of Plenty District Council a template submission form can be downloaded from [www.westernbay.govt.nz](http://www.westernbay.govt.nz) – In Search – A3060913 (should be the third from the top – WRITTEN APPROVAL OF AFFECTED PERSONS).

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 Friday, 13 August 2021.

Fiona McTavish  
**Chief Executive**