



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 at The Bay of Plenty Regional Council, 5 Quay Street, Whakatane during normal office hours or on our website (<https://www.boprc.govt.nz/environment/resource-consents/notifications>). 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 - RM23-0389. The Applicant's postal address is Southern Generation Partnership Limited, PTM Consulting Limited, 28 Kenmare Street, Alexandra, Attention: Peter Mulvihill (peter.mulvihill@xtra.co.nz).

Nature of Application

The applicant has applied for a new resource consent to carry out the following works within and adjacent to Lake Aniwanuiwa, Galatea:

1. Excavate gravel from the channel of the Rangitaiki River.
2. Remove some debris islands (vegetation and sediment) that have formed in the Lake Aniwanuiwa delta.
3. Disturb land and soil due to deposition of excavated gravel, sediment and vegetation.
4. Discharge sediment-contaminated water to land and water as a result of the lake bed disturbance and from the land drainage of deposited gravel and sediment.

The purpose of the works is to assist with lowering the lake water level and reducing backwater flooding effects in the upper reaches of Lake Aniwanuiwa.

The proposed gravel extraction is for the purpose of channel modification and will be carried out only in the main channel downstream of the Kopuriki Road Bridge and includes the following:

- Gravel will be excavated from a 660 m long stretch of the Rangitāiki River bed starting 20 m downstream of the Kopuriki Bridge. The excavation area will be 660 m long, 15 m wide, with a depth of up to 1.5 m below the current riverbed level. Excavation will not occur within 1 metre of the bank.
- Excavation will be completed using a 30-tonne long reach excavator located on the dry riverbank.

- Excavated gravels will be placed in compacted layers of the eastern riverbank adjacent to works and will be stockpiled for up to 3 years.

The proposed works to remove the debris islands includes two possible methods, with all excavated material deposited on the adjacent farm, the methods are as follows:

- a) Debris including sediment, gravel, and vegetation will be removed from the debris islands during the annual lowering of the lake so excavations occur in the dry bed, however equipment and machinery will require river crossings.
- b) Vegetation removal from the debris islands when the bed is under water will involve winch and dragging of small trees and vegetation from the deltas. Machinery will be located on the dry riverbank and debris when it reaches the bank will be lifted out with an excavator.

Location

The legal description of the site is:

- Lake Aniwanuiwa: Lot 1 DP 4730 SA 27B/1001; Parcel 4320093, NZ Gazette 1980 p208, purpose Electric Works; Parcel 7740683, NZ Gazette 1980 p208, Purpose Electric Works.
- Land adjacent to Lake Aniwanuiwa (proposed location for sediment storage): Lot 1 DP 4730 SA 27B/1001.

Lake Aniwanuiwa is located at or about map reference NZTM 1930377 E 5750077 N.

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, email RegulatoryAdmin@boprc.govt.nz or online at: [Make a resource consent submission | Bay of Plenty Regional Council | Toi Moana \(boprc.govt.nz\)](#), no later than **5:00 pm on Wednesday, 13 December 2023**.

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 after serving your submission on Bay of Plenty Regional Council.

Dated at Whakatane this 15 November 2023.

Fiona McTavish
Chief Executive

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