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KiwiRail, New Zealand Railways Corporation PO Box 593 Wellington 6140

Dear KiwiRail,

NOTICE OF REQUIREMENT TO DESIGNATE LAND - FOR SEWAGE PUMPING

Waitomo District Council notified its Proposed District Plan on 20 October 2022 for public submissions.

Council has received a notice of requirement by Waitomo District Council to designate land (please refer to the enclosed map) for Sewage pumping. The activity that is the subject of this designation is already occurring on this site. Waitomo District Council want to use the designation process to formalise this use.

Waitomo District Council has requested that this designation is included as part of the Proposed District Plan.

What is a designation?

Under the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA), land can be designated by "requiring authorities" for public works and network utilities such as schools, community halls, roads and telecommunication facilities. Requiring authorities include the Crown, local authorities (including Waitomo District Council) and approved network utility operators. Any land that is designated is identified in a District Plan.

Before land can be designated, the requiring authority must serve a notice of requirement on the Council. This starts a public submission and hearing process under the RMA. If a designation is confirmed, the requiring authority can undertake any activity allowed by the designation purpose, and the usual provisions of the District Plan do not apply.

As Waitomo District Council has requested that this designation is included in the Proposed District Plan, Council is required under RMA clause 5(1B) of the First Schedule to notify landowners and occupiers who might be directly affected by the designation.

Because you are a neighbour of the site, you could be affected by the inclusion of this designation in the Proposed District Plan, so we want to make sure you have the opportunity to have your say.

You can view the designation online at:

https://maps.waitomo.govt.nz/District Plan/55. Designations.pdf or at the Te Kūiti Council office and library during office hours.

The key message

Council is calling for submissions on a notice of requirement to designate land and you may be directly affected by this. You have the opportunity to make a submission about this. Submissions close at **12pm** on **Friday 23 December 2022**. If you would like to make a submission, submission forms can be downloaded from Council's website or picked up from the Te Kūiti Council office or library.

You can return submissions to us by:

- posting it to Waitomo District Council, PO Box 404, Queen Street, Te Kūiti, 3941;
 or
- emailing it to <u>districtplan@waitomo.govt.nz.</u>

If you would like to request a submission form is sent to you, please phone us on 0800 932 4357.

Additional information

For more information about how the notice of requirement to designate land may affect you, or how to become involved in the submission process, please email districtplan@waitomo.govt.nz. Please also note that you will receive a separate letter regarding the notification of the Proposed District Plan.

Yours sincerely,

Alex Bell

GENERAL MANAGER - STRATEGY AND ENVIRONMENT



