



The Restorative Programme for Lowland Streams

May 2008 Cluster Meetings

Rakaia-Selwyn Consents Review Process

- The Review Process
 - Statutory steps
 - Our processing plan for the zone,
with proposed timeframes
- Facts and Dates for your cluster
- Conditions – very briefly
- Adaptive Management

Issue Notice of Review



- Taken 12 months due to differing review dates
- Can now process by cluster

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consent holder to
propose new
conditions

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Issue decisions at the same time to allow common commencement date

— This allows all reviewed consents to commence at the same time

— Unless appealed



15 day period from receiving decision to lodge appeal with Environment Court

— If you appeal your decision the review consent will not commence until the appeal has been heard and decided

The Process – for the Zone

Working with Clusters


- Staggered, manageable, achievable
- Process in Clusters 1 to 5 (Te Pirita to Southbridge)
- Review process completed by March 2009



Proposed 2nd Cluster meeting

- To discuss conditions in detail
- To be held about 3 weeks before you receive your proposed conditions

Environment
Canterbury send out
proposed conditions



- 40 working days to propose alternate conditions
- Discuss you Consent(s) and conditions with Ecan staff
- Do nothing if proposed conditions are acceptable
- First Cluster to receive conditions July 2008 and last Cluster to receive October 2008

Ecan will prepare reports for decision makers



Decision Hearings and issue decision

- Copy of reports sent to all consent holders
- Invited to attend hearings
- Hearings planned for February 2009
- Issue decision at same time for common commencement
- Decision planned for March 2009

Key dates

- First conditions sent July 2008 – cluster 1
- Last conditions sent October 2008 – cluster 5
- Final responses by mid December 2008 – cluster 5
- Decision hearings in February 2009
- All review decisions issued in March 2009
- Minimum flow conditions become operative 2010
- Adaptive management estimated for 2010

Cluster 1 – Te Pirita

- 92 consents to review in this cluster
- 77 issued reviews, 15 to consider by end of June 2008
- 5 consents identified as having stream depleting effects

- Proposed 2nd cluster meeting – June 2008
- Send out proposed conditions – July 2008
- Your responses by beginning end Aug 2008

Cluster 2 – Irwell

- 119 consents to review in this cluster
- 100 issued reviews, 19 to consider by end of June 2008
- 18 consents identified as having stream depleting effects

- Proposed 2nd cluster meeting – July 2008
- Send out proposed conditions – Aug 2008
- Your responses by beginning early Oct 2008

Cluster 3 – Bankside/Killinchy

- 138 consents to review in this cluster
- Issued 111 review notices, will consider a further 27 consents by end of June 2008
- Of 111 reviewed 2 consents are identified as having stream depleting effects
- Proposed 2nd cluster meeting to go through conditions in detail – Aug 2008
- Send out proposed conditions – Mid Sept 2008
- Your responses by beginning November 2008

Cluster 4 – Leeston

- 99 consents to review in this cluster
- 78 issued reviews, 21 to consider by end of June 2008
- 9 consents identified as having stream depleting effects

- Proposed 2nd cluster meeting – July 2008
- Send out proposed conditions – Aug 2008
- Your responses by beginning early Oct 2008

Cluster 5 - Southbridge

- 121 consents to review in this cluster
- 102 issued reviews, 19 to consider by end of June 2008
- 48 consents identified as having stream depleting effects

- Proposed 2nd cluster meeting – Sept 2008
- Send out proposed conditions – Oct 2008
- Your responses by beginning mid Dec 2008

The Conditions – in brief

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- **Annual Volume – All consents**

Will be using WQN9 version 3 and will allow that if the version alters with the plan process (NRRP) the new method can be applied.

- **Minimum flows – those with stream depletion effects** These will be the existing minimum flows (not proposed) and will be included in this review but will not become operative until 2010

The Conditions

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- **Water Metering – All consents**

Implementation dates to be worked thru with community

- **Review condition – All consents**

Review conditions will be updated so that future reviews in the zone will be in the same months in each year e.g May or November . This will help to make future reviews faster to process. This is the same as the current process

Adaptive Management

Not included in this review process but work is in progress.

Spend next 12-18 months with clusters working on an adaptive management plan

Estimate adaptive management in the zone can be implemented in 2010

