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Dear Luke,

Request for Further Information under Section 92(1) of the Resource Management Act 1991 - Application for Wetland Modification on Leg 6 of the Lake 2 Lake Te Anau to Manapouri Multi Use Trail

Thank you for lodging a retrospective application for Wetland Modification for Leg 6 of the Lake 2 Lake Te Anau to Manapouri Multi-Use Trail.

I require further information before a determination can be made on your application.

Please provide^[1], in accordance with Section 92(1) of the Resource Management Act, the following information:

1. Ecological Assessment

A technical review (attached) of the Ecological Assessment (the report) submitted with the application has been undertaken. This review was sought as in section 7.6 of the report it states the *“the wetland vegetation and habitats for indigenous fauna has been assessed to be of ecological significance in terms of Section 6 (c) of the RMA. The significance assessment reflects the representativeness of the wetland vegetation within the Upukerora Ecological District, the pattern of the vegetation types associated with the wetland and its ecological context.”*

The report then goes on to state in section 9 that: *“the magnitude of the effect of construction of the trail on the wetland is very low owing to the small area of wetland affected.”*

As a result of the technical review which considers that the effects of constructing the trail may be more than minor due to hydrological effects which are likely to change the composition of the remaining wetland vegetation over time please provide the following additional information:

- Please provide an assessment of potential remediation, mitigation or compensation actions that could potentially address the potential adverse effects on the existing wetland.

2. Culverts

- Please provide confirmation that all the culverts within the wetland area have been constructed in accordance with the requirements of the Regional Water Plan (Rule 28) and the Proposed Southland Water and Land Plan (Rule 59).
- Please also provide a map confirming the location of all of the culverts in this wetland area in respect of any existing streams. It is noted the application refers to the northern and southern culverts. This information is sought to determine if the trail is creating a type of 'damming of the waterway'. Should this be the case an additional consent(s) as an amendment to the existing application may be required.

I require this information to understand the effects from the proposed activity on the surrounding environment

Under Section 92A of the RMA you have until 15 working days from the date of this request, which we calculate to be 26 March 2019, to either provide the information, tell the Council, in writing, either that you agree to provide the information or that you refuse to provide the information.

If you refuse to provide the information requested, or if you do not respond to this request, the Council may decline the application on the grounds that it has inadequate information to determine the application.

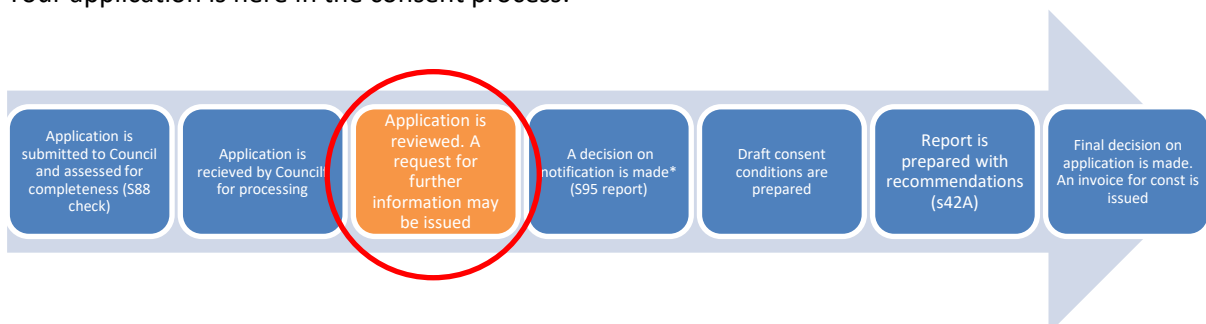
Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this request.

Yours sincerely



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Your application is here in the consent process:



*If your application is assessed as needing to be limited or publically notified, you will be contacted regarding the process for these pathways.