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Bridgett Aitken
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Dear Bridgett,

***Request for Further Information under Section 92(1) of the Resource Management Act 1991 -
Application for a renewal of water and discharge permits for a vegetable washing operation***

Thank you for lodging an application to renew water and discharge permits for Pyper's Produce Ltd at 1035 Lochiel Branxholme Road.

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/ Further sampling and assessment of the wash water quality in order to characterise the load and concentration of nitrogen and dissolved reactive phosphorous (DRP) being discharged. At a minimum please provide from each of the existing storage ponds a sample of the wash water from the bottom of the pond (water extracted from close to the pond floor) and the top (pond surface). This information is required to help understand the amount (load) of nitrogen and DRP being discharged to groundwater and land to assess potential risk of this activity to the aquifer below.
- 2/ Further sampling and assessment of the wash water quality of the proposed discharge to help determine chlorine levels. Please also provide further information on the Sanitiser product that is used, including a copy of the Material Safety Data Sheet (MSDS).
- 3/ Provide details on if the applicant has considered any alternative denitrification process(es) prior to discharge of the wash water or if they have an established monitoring programme for their wash water. Please also provide further assessment of why the applicant hasn't considered land application of all waste wash water as an alternative option to the soil-aquifer treatment system.

This additional sampling is required under Schedule 4(6)(d)(i) to ensure a clear understanding of the nature of the proposed discharge.

Determination of your application is postponed until receipt of this information.

Under Section 92A of the RMA you have until 15 working days from the date of this request, which we calculate to be 13 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.

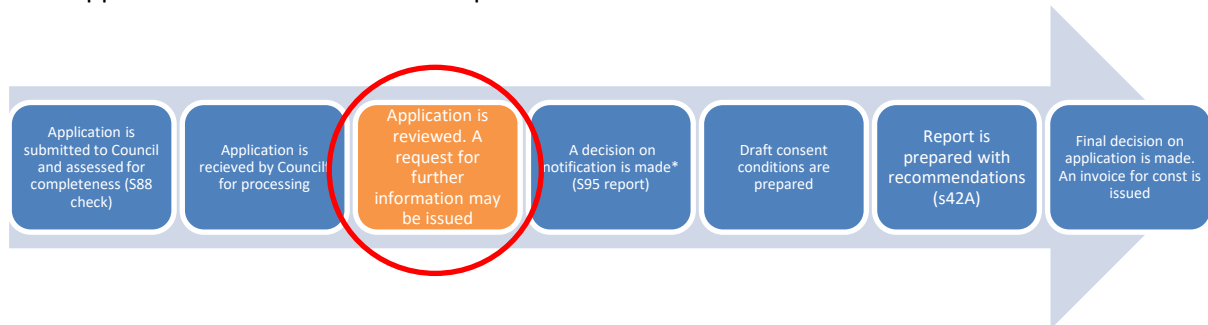
Please contact me if you have any questions regarding this request.

Yours sincerely



Sonya Nicol
Consultant Planner

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.