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Subject: RE: Te Anau Earthworks - Mararoa Gravel Extraction Application - Further Information Request
Date: Monday, 8 July 2019 5:56:12 PM

Hello Courtney

Additional information/clarifications to your points below as requested to importantly assist in your determination regarding the application needing to be publicly notified or not are as follows:

Please note in the interests of assisting in preventing unnecessary delay in the consent process associated with the subject application, I confirm that Te Anau Earthworks Limited are committed to provision of timely responses to any requests for additional information under Section 92(10) of the Resource Management Act 1991.

The following is provided as additional information/clarification to my previous information request response dated 7 July 2019.

Culverts – (My apologies for omitting this information) Placement and removal of a temporary culvert will only occur in the event that an ephemeral channel along the west side of the Site 4 Backwater Pond is impacted by intermittent high river flows.

Should that situation arise the following mitigation to preventing vehicles crossing flowing water will be undertaken:

- A single culvert of not greater than 1200 mm dia. be installed in the channel.
- Following completion of the activity any culvert installed will be removed from the site.

Consent is not being sought for reason the culvert installation activity should that be required, will be actioned and managed in accordance with the Permitted Activity Rules contained in the following Statutory documents:

- Regional Water Plan for Southland - Disturbance of the bed of a river – Culverts
 - Relevant Rule: Rule 28 (a) (i) – (vii). Noting the Standard conditions in Rule 48(a) and (b).
 - Activity Status: Permitted Activity providing conditions (i) to (vii) are met.
- And;
- Proposed Southland Water and Land Plan
 - Relevant Rule: Rule 59 – Culverts (a) (ia) – (ix). Noting Rule 55A – General conditions for activities in river and lake beds.
 - Activity Status: Permitted activity provided conditions (ia) – (ix) are met.

Extraction and processing sequence

Confirming the anticipated 15 day work period involving extraction of gravel from the ponds and processing may or may not relate to consecutive days for reasons associated with the uncertain nature of market demands for the various processed gravel products being subject to constant

change, particularly within the construction industry, farming sector and highway maintenance.

The following daily activity sequence applies:

- Excavation to the temporary stockpile of 5,000 m³ (plus/minus) of gravel will occur over a 5 day consecutive period. Noting that weather or river change conditions may force site abandonment meaning a possible impact to that consecutive sequence.
- Processing of 5,000 m³ (plus/minus) of gravel will occur over a 10 - 15 day (non-consecutive) period during the 3 monthly cycle. It is anticipated that a quantity of raw gravel will be processed over a number of consecutive days in conjunction with the excavation activity.
- The balance of raw material will be processed to meet market orders within the balance of the 10 – 15 day processing activity. It is anticipated that processing of the products of greatest demand being AP-65 used by the construction industry as a base course material and AP-40 used for compacted base material for highway/road and farm access lanes will occur over 2-3 consecutive day activities meaning 3-4 activity runs through the 3 monthly cycle.
- The mobile screening/crushing and other plant associated with the activity will only remain at the site for the duration of the activity.
- Throughout the 3 monthly cycle and on an intermittent basis trucks will cart gravel products from the temporary stockpile site.

Conclusion

It is considered that overall any adverse effect on the surrounding natural character, public access and amenity will be less than minor for the following reasons:

- The excavation and cartage to stockpile activity will only occur over 5 (8-10 hour) consecutive days, is noise passive and hidden from public view;
- The processing activity is static largely hidden and only involves the occasional appearance of a rubber tired loader and mobile screening/crushing plant over a maximum of 15 (8-10 hour) days;
- The presence of trucks carting material from the temporary stockpile site will be intermittent and non-consecutive days. The presence of trucks carting gravel products from this site clearly sits within similar daily activities that normally occur within the rural environment;

I trust the above information additional to my previous response dated 7 July 2019 to your request for additional information assists in your understanding of the gravel extraction activity proposed by Te Anau Earthworks Limited.

Best Regards

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Hi Ken,

Thanks for the information. To confirm my understanding of the proposed activity is correct, based on the further information given and the application:

- 5,000 m3 of gravel will be extracted over 5 days within the three month work period. Extraction will occur over 10 hours of each of the days.
 - Will this be consecutive days or 5 days spread within the three month work period?
- The 5,000 m3 of gravel will be processed. Please clarify if
 - the processing days are consecutive or not
 - processing occurs over 10 days, meaning the extraction and processing will occur over 15 days per three months (within the three month work period), or
 - processing will occur over 15 days, meaning extraction and processing will occur over 20 days per three months.

I need to get this information correct because as we discussed earlier, I was trying to determine if the application needed to be publicly notified. This is because of the necessity to avoid, remedy or mitigate adverse effects on public access, amenity and natural character of the area from the extraction and processing activity (see policies listed in attached letter).

I had also asked for you to identify if the culverts required resource consent – see point 2 on the further information request letter. Do you intend on providing this information? If so, by what date?

The application will remain on hold under Section 92(1) until information on point 2 is submitted or you tell me that you do not intend providing the information.

Kind regards

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Hello Courtney – Your Ref: APP-20191409

Please find attached my response (electronic version) to your request for further information relating to the consent application for gravel extraction on a section of the Mararoa River by Te Anau Earthworks Limited.

Hard copy in the mail.

Best Regards

Ken McGraw

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Acting for Te Anau Earthworks Limited.

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