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Fees & Charges policy 2024/25

Note: proposed additions to the policy for 2024/25 are highlighted in yellow

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1 Introduction

This policy outlines the fees and charges associated with a range of services provided by the Bay of Plenty Regional Council, including:

- Receiving and processing resource consent applications¹;
- Monitoring and enforcing compliance with resource consents, National Environment Standards and Regional Plan Rules, under the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA);
- Functions associated with the Flood Protection and Drainage Bylaws²;
- Functions associated with the Navigational Safety bylaw including Port charges (harbour dues)³; and
- Any cost recoverable work that is performed under any other power or function of the Regional Council.

Regional Council uses these fees and charges to recover the costs of undertaking the respective activities, in order to ensure that we can be adequately resourced to do so, and that at least a portion of the cost is met by those individuals and organisations responsible for benefitting from those activities, rather than the broader ratepayer. This principle is directly provided for through the associated legislation.

This policy remains in effect until such time as it has been reviewed, completed all consultation requirements and has been amended or revoked by Council resolution.

2 Resource Management Act charges

Under the RMA, the Bay of Plenty Regional Council (Council) is responsible for managing the use of a wide range of natural resources including air quality, geothermal energy, groundwater and surface water, which involves:

- Processing and administration (e.g. in regard to regional plans and resource consents)
- Monitoring of resource consents and permitted activities
- Scientific monitoring of natural resources.

The RMA gives Council the power to recover the reasonable costs associated with these functions using charges made under section 36. The RMA charges covered by this policy include:

- Application charges
- Compliance monitoring & enforcement

- Discount on administrative charges
- Charges for objections
- Annual consent charges
- Travel charges

2.1 Application charges

The charges in the following tables relate to applications for new resource consents, transfers or renewals of consents, certificates of compliance, variations to consent conditions, deemed permitted activities, consent condition reviews and the preparation or change to a policy statement or plan. The majority of these charges are deposits, with any additional costs charged on an actual and reasonable basis. An estimate of these additional costs can be provided on request.

¹ The Resource Management Act (RMA) and Building Act charges that apply from 1 July 2024. Authority to set these charges falls under section 36 of the Resource Management Act and section 243 of the Building Act.

² The Floodway and Drainage Bylaw Fees. Authority to set these fees falls under section 150 of the Local Government Act (2002), and in particular, section 150 (3)(b) allows these fees to be prescribed outside of the Bylaw.

³ Authority to set these Fees falls under section 33R of the Maritime Safety Act and in accordance with section 150 of the Local Government Act (2002), and section 150 (3)(b) allows these fees to be prescribed outside of the Bylaw.

2.1.1 Pre-Lodgment Advice

Pre-lodgment advice can be sought through the consents queries email address, phone calls or emails direct to council officers. The first 30 minutes of time will be free of charge and thereafter will be charged at the rates outlined in Schedule A of this policy. Time may include research, written and verbal communication, meetings etc.

2.1.2 Applications for resource consents

Resource consents are processed as either non-notified, limited notified or publicly notified. The majority of resource consents are processed as non-notified. Council charges consent applicants for any costs incurred when processing resource consent applications.

Charges include the costs of technical assessment, RMA assessment, peer review work and administration costs.

We charge the actual and reasonable costs for processing a consent application, apart from a limited number of applications which are subject to a fixed fee (Table 2). Actual and reasonable costs include, but are not limited to:

- Staff time spent processing a resource consent at the staff charge out rates detailed in Schedule A
- Contractors or consultants time based on the charge out rate of the contractor or consultant engaged to do the work
- Disbursements which may include travel costs, photocopying and hearing costs

Before Council begins to process an application, we require the deposit (Table 1) or fixed application fee (Table 2) to be paid in full.

Please note that application charges apply even if your consent application is declined or you withdraw your application.

2.1.3 Application charges for non-notified resource consents

Resource consent applications are processed as “non-notified” if their effects are minor and anyone who might be affected by the activity provides written approval or if the application is precluded from notification. The application deposits are outlined in Table 1. Where consent processing costs exceed the deposit an additional charge for actual and reasonable costs will be made.

Table 1: General resource consent application deposits

Consent type	Deposit Incl GST (Excl GST)
Tier 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Certificate of compliance• Re-consenting existing unchanged lake structures• Lapsing period extensions• Deemed permitted activities	\$775.00 (\$673.91)
Tier 2 <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Onsite effluent discharge (septic tanks)• Discharge farm dairy effluent• Remediation of contaminated land• Multiple bores (more than three)⁴• Changes to or cancellation of consent conditions• Rotorua wood burner• Review of consent conditions (deposit fee is payable by the 20th of the month following service of notice by Council)• Transfer of consent to another site or another person at another site	\$1,770.00 (\$1,539.13)
Tier 3 All other consent categories	\$2,700.00 (\$2,347.83)

⁴ Consent applications for one, two or three bores are subject to a fixed fee (Table 2)

A limited number of consents are subject to a fixed application fee with no additional costs payable, as detailed in Table 2.

Table 2: Fixed consent application fees

Consent type	Fixed charge Incl GST (Excl GST)
OSET approval inspection fee	\$50.00 (\$43.48)
Land use consent to construct between 1 to 3 geotechnical, freshwater bores or domestic geothermal bores (includes compliance monitoring charges)	\$485.00 (\$421.74)
Water take consent to take groundwater for pump testing, and the discharge of pump testing fluids to land	
Transfer of consent to another person at the same site where a complete application is submitted. ⁵	\$170.00 \$200.00 (\$147.83)

2.1.4 Charges for limited and publicly notified resource

When an application is notified and proceeds to a hearing, a further charge is payable as detailed in Table 3.

Table 3: Limited notified or publicly notified resource consent deposits

Resource consent process	Deposit Incl GST (Excl GST)
Limited notified applications which proceed to a hearing	\$5,000 (\$4,347.83)
Publicly notified applications which proceed to a hearing	\$10,000 \$15,000 (\$13,043.48)

Costs for hearing committee members and commissioners will be recovered from applicants at their set charge-out rate. Disbursements will be charged on an actual and reasonable basis.

2.1.5 Application charges for the preparation of or change to a plan or policy statement

Applicants will pay a deposit in advance for any requests for a change to an existing

⁵ Where an incomplete application for a 'transfer of consent to another person at the same site' results in more than 1.5 hours of staff time being required to process the transfer, actual and reasonable costs will be

regional plan or policy statement, or for the preparation of any new plan or policy statement. For a change to an existing regional plan or policy statement, or new plan request a deposit of \$50,000 (including GST) will be payable.

Table 4: Deposit for the preparation of or change to a plan or policy statement

	Deposit Incl GST (Excl GST)
Standard deposit	\$5,000 \$10,000 (\$8,695.65)
Deposit for complex regional plan or policy statement changes or new plan requests	\$50,000 (\$43,478.26)

Where costs exceed the deposit, an additional charge for actual and reasonable costs will be made. Actual and reasonable costs include, but are not limited to:

- Staff time spent at the staff charge out rates detailed in Schedule A
- Contractor's or consultant's time based on the charge out rate of the contractor or consultant engaged to do the work, including hearing panel members
- Disbursements which may include travel costs, photocopying and hearing costs

Exemptions from application charges and zero fee activities

The cost for processing a request to issue a notice stating whether an activity is a permitted marginal or temporary activity will be charges based on actual staff time spent on an actual and reasonable basis, with the first hour being provided free of charge. Staff rates are detailed in Schedule A

2.1.6 Exemptions from application charges and zero fee activities

Table 5: Exemptions and zero fee activities

Consent category	Charge (incl. GST)
Activities listed in regional plans that have zero fee	\$0
Application to reduce the allocated rate of a surface water take consent or allocated annual volume of groundwater take consent which reduces the environmental effect of that take	\$0
Marae onsite effluent discharge upgrade applications	\$0

charged to the transferee for the additional time required to process the incomplete application

2.2 Discount on administrative charges

The Resource Management (Discount on Administrative Charges) Regulations 2010, commonly called the 'Discount Regulations', sets a default discount policy for resource consents that are not processed within statutory timeframes. Council adheres to the Discount Regulations.

The Discount Regulations set out a discount of 1% of the total administrative charges for every working day an application remains unprocessed beyond the statutory timeframes specified in the RMA, up to a maximum of 50% (i.e. 50 working days).

The Discount Regulations apply to the processing of most resource consent applications or applications to change consent conditions. They do not apply to the following:

- Applications for extensions to consent lapsing periods
- Local authority-initiated consent reviews
- Certificates of compliance
- When an applicant withdraws a resource consent application
- If the application is to replace an existing consent and is granted prior to the existing consent expiring

2.3 Charges for objections

If a person who has lodged an objection, requests that the objection be considered by a hearings commissioner, Council may recover charges associated with the objections being considered and decided in accordance with that request. Those costs will be recovered on an actual and reasonable basis. Council may ask the commissioner(s) to make a recommendation as to whether it would be appropriate to remit (i.e. not charge) any of these costs.

2.4 Annual consent charges

The annual consent charge payable by the consent holder in relation to each current resource consent is made up of:

- Administration charge
- Compliance/supervision charge (referred to as 'compliance monitoring charge')
- ~~Data and~~ Science charge



The administration charge covers routine administration costs such as consent database and electronic file system maintenance, compiling and monitoring accounts, correspondence to consent holders (e.g. expiry reminder notifications) and general administration and enquiries.

For those consents where compliance monitoring is charged on an actual and reasonable basis, the monitoring charges will be invoiced according to the frequency of inspections (e.g. consents inspected more than once during the year will receive monitoring invoices during the year in addition to the annual consent charge).

2.4.1 Administration charge

Table 6: Administration charge

	Fixed charge
	Incl GST (Excl GST)
Standard charge	\$140 (\$121.74)
Multiple consents: Where there are multiple consent holder names on a consent an additional annual charge per consent holder where separate invoicing and correspondence is required	\$120 (\$104.35)

2.4.2 Compliance monitoring charges

Compliance monitoring charges are based on the actual and reasonable costs of carrying out compliance monitoring of consents. Fixed and variable charges are made up of the staff time to carry out an inspection (if required), audit any monitoring information provided by consent holders, **investigate and** follow up any non-compliance and report back to consent holders (if required).

Charges for monitoring activities under the National Environmental Standards for Commercial Forestry (NЕСF) and the National Environmental Standards for Freshwater (NEFW) as outlined in Schedule 3A are based on actual and reasonable costs.

Actual and reasonable costs include, but are not limited to:

- Staff time spent **processing monitoring compliance** a resource consent at the staff charge out rates detailed in Schedule A
- Contractors' or consultants' time based on the charge out rate of the contractor or consultant engaged to do the work
- Disbursements which may include travel costs, photocopying and hearing costs.

It is Council policy that the majority of costs of compliance monitoring should be recovered from consent holders.

Table 7: Compliance monitoring charges

Compliance monitoring charge	Charge Incl. GST (Excl GST)
Fixed fee compliance monitoring charges ⁶	Schedule 1A
Charges for monitoring under the National Environmental Standards as listed in Schedule 3A	Actual and reasonable
All other consents not listed in Schedule 1A or 3A	Actual and reasonable
Second and subsequent inspections as necessitated by previous non-compliance	Actual and reasonable
Auditing information required by consent conditions or participation in peer review panels	Actual and reasonable
'Fixed administration fee relating to late or non-submission of records and monitoring reports'	\$265.00 (\$230.43)

⁶ Where the time spent monitoring compliance exceeds the standard time covered by the fixed charge specified in Schedule 1A (which is based on staff charge out rates in Schedule A), any

2.4.3 Data and Science Charges

The data and science charge is a fixed annual fee which covers a portion (an average of 20%) of the Council's costs of carrying out regional and impact monitoring and specific investigations into the state of the environment. These monitoring requirements are driven, in part, by the consents process and consent holders: Council needs to understand and monitor resources to ensure consent conditions are set appropriately (e.g. water allocation limits) and to safeguard future access to resources. This requirement (and the associated charge) applies regardless of whether a consent holder fully exercises their consent e.g. the monitoring still has to take place even if a consent holder chooses not to take any or all of their consented water allocation.

Table 8: Science

Science charges	
All applicable consents	Schedules 1B - 12B

additional time will be charged on an actual and reasonable basis.

2.4.4 Exemptions from annual charges

Table 9: Exemptions from annual consent charges

Consent category	Exempt from
Long term consents with an inspection frequency of 10 years or more unless an inspection has been carried out (in which case the consent holder is charged as per Schedule 1A or 2A)	Administration Annual charge
“Consequential” consents such as the discharge permit in an activity that involves a diversion and discharge, or the discharge permit in an activity that involves taking and discharging water (e.g. to heat a pool). To qualify, the “consequential” consent must occur as a natural consequence of the primary activity and have no significant environmental effect compared to the primary consent.	Administration Annual charge
Marae OSET exemptions	All charges except non compliance
Rotorua wood burners	Annual charges

3 Building Act charges

Under the Building Act 2004, Council is responsible for functions relating to dams. For efficiency and cost reduction reasons, Council has transferred the following building consent authority functions for dams to the Waikato Regional Council⁷:

- Processing of building consents
- Inspection processes
- Issuing dam code compliance certificates
- Issuing compliance schedules.

Please contact Waikato Regional Council or see its website www.waikatoregion.govt.nz/damsafety for relevant up-to-date fees and charges for these areas.

Section 243 of the Building Act 2004 enables BOPRC to recover costs through imposing fees or charges for the functions not delegated to Waikato Regional Council. The charges have been set using the principle that the full cost of the service provided is to be recovered. Any costs in addition to charges specified in Table 10 will be on an actual and reasonable basis.

Table 10: Building Act charges

Activity	Deposit incl. GST (excl. GST)
Administration cost for Register of Dams	
Dam potential impact classification	\$240 (\$208.70)
Dam safety assurance programme	
Annual dam compliance certificate	
Review	
Review of potential impact classifications submitted by dam owners	Actual and reasonable costs
Review of dam safety assurance programme	Actual and reasonable costs
Building consent for dams	
Project Information Memorandum (PIM)	\$155 (134.78)
Certificate of acceptance	
Dam valued up to \$20,000	\$585 (\$508.70)
Dam valued between \$20,000 and \$100,000	\$2,345 (\$2039.13)
Dam valued over \$100,000	\$4,690 (\$4078.26)
Compliance and other functions	
Standard labour cost and extra cost of expert advice	Actual and reasonable costs

⁷Memorandum with Waikato Regional Council (WRC) dated 6 March 2009 (WRC document

1329516), updated with WRC 1 June 2015 (WRC document 3165770].

4 Miscellaneous administrative charges

Under sections 36(1)(e), 36(1)(f) and 36(1)(g) of the RMA and section 13 of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987, Council is able to charge for the provision of information in respect of plans and resource consents, the supply of documents and any kind of charge authorised by regulations.

Table 11: Miscellaneous administrative charges

Charge (incl. GST)	
Information requests	
Administration fee	Actual and reasonable costs with first hour free
Photocopying	
A4 (black and white)	6c per page
A3 (black and white)	10c per page
A4 (colour)	50c per page
A3 (colour)	75c per page

5 Enforcement

The cost of issuing an abatement notice will be charged to the holder of the consent, even if the notice itself is issued to a representative of the consent holder (e.g. farm manager, contractor, etc.). This charge is for generating and issuing the notice and does not include any additional costs associated with non-compliance, which will be charged on an actual and reasonable basis. Actual and reasonable costs include, but are not limited to:

- Staff time to carry out the inspection and prepare reports etc. at the staff charge out rates detailed in Schedule A
- Associated disbursements such as travel costs, sampling and testing costs and specialist advice

Table 12: Enforcement charges

	Fixed charge incl. GST (excl. GST)
Issue of an abatement notice	\$250.00 (\$217.39)

6 Gravel Management Fees

Wherever gravel extraction is undertaken either under a resource consent or the Regional River Gravel Management Plan, the monitoring charge set out in Table 13 below will apply. All parties extracting gravel are required to pay the monitoring and administration charges based on the volume of gravel extracted. Council is required to monitor rivers to determine gravel availability and the effects of gravel extractions on flood carrying capacity, river maintenance, the environment and the community and to ensure that parties taking gravel are compliant with the conditions of extraction.

The work Council undertakes includes regular river bed surveys, gravel extraction proposal assessments, site monitoring, data collection and the regular review of the Natural Environmental Regional Monitoring Network report for River and Stream Channel Monitoring. This monitoring charge is set under Section 36(1)(c) of the RMA.

Table 13 Gravel management charges

	Charge Incl GST
A fee will be charged on a per m3 rate of excavated gravel, for the supervision, monitoring and administration of all activities associated with gravel extraction in beds of rivers	0.90 \$2.70 per m3

7 Flood Protection and Drainage Bylaw Fees

The Bay of Plenty Regional Council Flood Protection and Drainage Bylaws 2020 are developed under the Local Government Act 2002, the Land Drainage Act 1908 and the Soil Conservation and River Management Act 1941. Authority to set these Bylaw Fees falls under section 150 of the Local Government Act (2002), and in particular, section 150 (3) (b) allows these fees to be prescribed outside of the Bylaw. Council has elected to use this separate process to allow for fees to be updated without a full review of the Bylaw. Fees have been set at a level to cover the cost of service and overheads.

Bylaw Authority Application Fees

The Regional Council Bylaws outlines the process for obtaining Bylaw Authority for undertaking certain activities near flood and drainage assets. This authority is processed by Council through a Bylaw Authority application process.

Council has waived the application fee for the 2020 Flood Protection and Drainage Bylaws. Staff time will be charged at the rates outlined in schedule A.

Enforcement Costs

Pursuant to the Local Government Act 2002, Council has the ability recover costs for damage of assets, and removal of illegal works affecting assets.

Table 14: Cost Recovery

Cost Recovery		Deposit (incl. GST)
Costs for remedying damage**	Liability for Costs associated with repair, replacement, and/or remediation. Plus reasonable administration and supervision charges	To be recovered pursuant to LGA 2002 s175 and s176 LGA 2002 s187 Will include reasonable administration and supervision charges.
Removal of works in breach of Bylaws	Liability for Costs associated with removal and remediation. Plus reasonable administration and supervision charges	To be recovered pursuant to LGA 2002 s163 LGA 2002 s187 Will include reasonable administration and supervision charges.

Table 14 Prosecution

Prosecution			
Any person who commits an offence under this Bylaw shall be liable to be prosecuted and liable to a fine	Fine not exceeding \$20,000.	Recoverable costs in the District Court	LGA 2002 s242 LGA 2002 s229 and s242(2) LGA 2002 s232 and s242(3)
Obstruction of an Enforcement Officer	Fine not exceeding \$5,000.	Recoverable costs in the District Court	
Damage to Works or property	Fine not exceeding \$20,000, or imprisonment for a term not exceeding 3 years.	District Court ruling	

8 Navigation Safety Bylaw Fees

8.1 Maritime Fees

The Bay of Plenty Regional Navigation Safety Bylaw is developed under section 33M of the Maritime Transport Act and in accordance with section 150 of the Local Government Act (2002). Authority to set fees for these Bylaws falls under section 33R of the Maritime Transport Act and in accordance with section 150(1) to (6) of the Local Government Act. Section 150 (3)(b) of the Local Government Act allows fees to be prescribed outside of the Bylaw. Council has elected to use this separate process to allow for fees to be updated without a full review of the Bylaw.

Table 15: Maritime fees

	Current fee	Proposed Fee (excl GST)
Mooring Licence		
• Annual fee	\$210	\$250.00
• Administration fee for process new applications, processing mooring vessel changes, processing changes of mooring ownership	\$125	\$150.00
Commercial Navigation Safety Licence per operation/per annum	\$103	\$103.00 plus actual and reasonable costs of audits and inspections.
Aquatic Event (Special event) Administration fee	N/A	\$150.00 plus actual and reasonable costs of a audits and inspections.
Public Notices	Actual cost of advertisements plus actual and reasonable administration costs.	
Navigation Aid maintenance/ inspection for third parties	Actual staff charges* plus actual and reasonable administration costs.	

8.2 Port Charges

Port Charges (Harbour Dues) for each vessel exceeding 1,000 gross tonnage, ~~\$17.65~~ **\$19.27** excluding GST per 1,000 gross tonnage or part thereof for each use of Tauranga Harbour.

This update applies to the Port Charges (Harbour Dues) set in the Navigation Safety Bylaw 2017 Schedule 7 from 1 July 2021 (ie the Charges in this document supersede any charges set in that Bylaw). **(Note - Will remove if bylaw is adopted prior)**

9 General matters

- (a) Charges will be payable on the 20th of the month following the month the invoice was issued e.g. invoices issued in July will be due on 20th August.
- (b) Where charges are deposits, applicants will be charged all actual and reasonable costs above the deposit.
- (c) Actual and reasonable costs include but are not limited to staff time (see Schedule A) travel costs, advertising, peer review, meeting and hearing costs, commissioner charges, disbursements and costs of consultants. Where the deposit fee exceeds the processing costs by \$25 or more, the difference will be refunded to the applicant.
- (d) Travel costs will be charged for travel time (at the staff charge out rates and mileage at the applicable IRD mileage rate) ~~to the courts~~. Travel costs will be included on the same basis as part of any request for enforcement costs.
- (e) Staff time will be charged to the nearest 15 minutes, with a minimum charge of 15 minutes.
- (f) Where the deposit fee exceeds the processing costs by \$25 or more, the difference will be refunded to the applicant. When a consent is issued part way through the financial year, the compliance monitoring and data and science charges will be on a pro-rata basis, but in all cases the full annual administration charge will first be payable.
- (g) In accordance with section 36 AAB(2) of the RMA and section 243(2) of the Building Act, Council may decline to perform the action to which the charge relates until the charge has been paid in full, with the exception of those noted in section 36 AAB(3) of the RMA.
- (h) Where a consent application is withdrawn, any actual and reasonable costs incurred will be charged.
- (i) If an activity is consented during the year which is not accommodated on the existing compliance monitoring and science schedules (schedules 1A – 12B), an interim charge will be invoiced based on the actual and reasonable costs to Council of carrying out the monitoring of the consent.
- (j) When a consent is issued part way through the financial year, the compliance monitoring and science charges will be on a pro-rata basis, but in all cases the full annual administration charge will first be payable.
- (k) Where a consent is varied during the financial year to which this policy applies, any change in compliance monitoring and science charges will apply on a pro-rata basis from when the variation is approved.
- (l) When a consent expires **or is cancelled** ~~or is surrendered or lawfully terminated~~ during the year and the activity ceases, then in any case the full annual administration charge will apply and the remainder of the annual consent charge will be on a pro-rata basis having regard to the compliance and science monitoring that has been undertaken. **Any consent surrendered and lawfully terminated during the year will have any outstanding fee's assessed at councils discretion.**
- (m) Where a consent expires ~~or is surrendered or lawfully terminated~~ during the course of a year but the activity continues and is subject to a renewal process, then the full annual consent charge shall apply.
- (n) Council may remit any charge referred to in this Charges Policy, in part or in full, on a case by case basis, and solely at Council's discretion (see section 36 AAB(1) of the RMA).
- (o) Council will recover the actual and reasonable costs of investigating and reporting substantiated complaints relating to consented activities.
- (p) Provisions pertaining to private plan changes under the RMA apply and the charging or provision of payment does not infer approval or acceptance of any plan change request.
- (q) Holders of consents to take and/or discharge geothermal water and or contaminants will be invoiced separately for actual and reasonable costs of monitoring of temperature and flow, where such monitoring is required to be carried out by the consent holder but is not carried out by the consent holder.
- ~~(r) Council may identify matters unique to a particular consented activity which result in a higher risk to the environment and, as such, more frequent inspections may be required than are outlined in the corresponding activity in Schedules 1A and 2A. In these cases, Council will provide written notice to the consent holder advising of the increased inspection frequency, and the cost of additional inspections will be recovered on an actual and reasonable basis.~~
When the compliance and monitoring requirements of a resource consent do not meet the general requirements of the corresponding compliance activity in Schedules 1A and 2A then Council reserves the right to set the s36 fees and charges for that resource consent in a fair and reasonable manner that is commensurate to the scale of the activity and the compliance and monitoring required by Council to undertake. In the instance where a change to resource consent conditions is approved Council will provide written notice to the consent holder advising of any changes to the s36 charges as result of the condition change.

10 Schedules

Note: all charges in the following schedules are GST inclusive.

- Schedule A - Charges for staff and consultants
- Schedules 1A and 2A - Compliance monitoring charges
- Schedules 1B to 12B - Science charges

Schedule A - Charges for staff, consultants and contractors

Examples	Current Hourly rate Incl GST (GST excl)	Proposed Hourly Rate Incl GST (GST excl)
Administration/Coordinator	\$140 (\$121.74)	\$160 (139.13)
Officers/Planners	\$200 (173.91)	\$230 (\$200)
Senior Officers/Planners		
Engineers/Scientist/Regulatory Project Officer (RPO)		
External contracted Compliance Monitoring Officer (externally contracted)		
Maritime Officer		
Team Leaders/Senior RPO/Works Engineer/Senior Maritime Officer	\$220 (191.30)	\$255 (221.74)
Senior Engineer/Senior Scientist		
Pou Ngaio (Technical/Cultural RMA Specialist) Principal Advisor/Cultural Specialist		
Managers/Regional Harbourmaster/Principal Advisor Consents	\$325 (282.61)	\$375 (326.09)
Consultants/Contractors	As charged by consultant/contractor	
Regional Council staff mileage	Current applicable IRD rate	

Note: Some positions may not be listed. In such cases the charge will be calculated from actual time multiplied by the most appropriate charge out rate listed above.

Compliance monitoring charges

Schedule 1A – Consents subject to fixed fee compliance monitoring charges

Compliance category	Code	Inspection frequency	Comments	Current Charge Incl GST (GST excl)	Proposed Incl GST (GST excl)
Air Discharge - small industry	Air min	2 yearly	Small operations with a low risk when managed well for example sandblasters, spray painters, etc.	\$200 (\$173.91)	\$230 (\$200)
Air Discharge - medium industry	Air med	1 yearly	Medium sized sites with a potential to result in moderate environmental impacts if not managed well. May require more significant reporting (e.g. monthly)	\$1,185 (\$1,030.43)	\$1,365 (\$1,186.96)
Dairy Sheds effluent - low risk	DairyLR	3 yearly	PI systems: Adequate Pond storage (lined in Rotorua lakes), appropriate irrigator technology for soil types and slopes, good compliance history	\$85 (\$73.91)	\$100 (\$86.96)
Dairy Sheds effluent - moderate risk	DairyMR	2 yearly	All disposal systems that don't meet DairyLR or DairyHR criteria, but have good compliance history and systems that can be managed in a way that ensures compliance	\$170 (\$147.83)	\$195 (\$169.57)
Dairy Sheds effluent - high risk	DairyHR	1 yearly	Any consent authorising a discharge to surface waters, or other High Risk dairy systems that don't meet DairyLR or DairyMR criteria or have a history of non-compliance	\$395 (\$343.48)	\$455 (\$395.65)
Industrial Discharges (including stormwater)- small	ID Min	2 yearly	Small sites with small discharges and a low risk when managed well	\$200 (\$173.91)	\$230 (\$200)
Industrial Discharges (including stormwater) - medium	ID Med	1 yearly	Medium sites with potential to result in moderate effects if not managed well	\$1,170 (\$1,017.39)	\$1,345 (\$1,169.57)
Landfills - closed	Landfill min	3 yearly	Closed landfills and managed cleanfill sites	\$235 (\$204.35)	\$270 (\$234.78)
Transfer Stations	Transfer	1 yearly	Operational Transfer Stations	\$1,185 (\$1,030.43)	\$1,365 (\$1,186.96)
Timber Treatment Plant	TTP	1 yearly	Timber treatment plants which generally have tight environmental controls with a significant amount of reporting. Risk is high if uncontrolled discharges occur	\$790 (\$686.96)	\$910 (\$791.30)
Minor Dams	Dams	5 yearly	Small dams (e.g. farm dams). Does not include hydro-electric scheme dams	\$95 (\$82.61)	\$110 (\$95.65)

Compliance category	Code	Inspection frequency	Comments	Current Charge Incl GST (GST excl)	Proposed Charge Incl GST (GST excl)
Industrial Abstraction - minor	Ind Min	5 yearly	As most of these water takes will fall under the NER, inspections ⁸ can be reduced as records will be a good indicator of compliance. Generally inspect the industrial takes at the same time as the industrial discharge consents are inspected	\$125 (\$108.70)	\$145 (\$126.09)
Municipal Abstraction - minor	MA Min	5 yearly	These water takes will generally fall under the NER, and as such records will be a good indicator of compliance	\$220 (\$191.30)	\$255 (\$221.74)
Geothermal Abstraction excluding Rotorua field	GeoO	3 yearly	All geothermal abstractors who are not large commercial operators, and are located outside of the Rotorua Geothermal field	\$405 (\$352.17)	\$465 (\$404.35)
Geothermal Abstraction - Rotorua field only	GeoR	3 yearly	All geothermal abstractors who are not large commercial operators and are located inside of the Rotorua Geothermal field. Cost of undertaking temp and flow charged at A+R if not done by consent holder	\$230 (\$200)	\$265 (\$230.43)
Non-consumptive Low consumption Geothermal Abstractors (Warm Water) Bores Tauranga	Warm	3 yearly	All warm water abstractors in the Western Bay area who are not Commercial, Industrial or Municipal abstractors are not required to provide water use records via telemetry to check consent condition limits	\$230 (\$200)	\$265 (\$230.43)
Consumptive Water Use Single Abstraction Point Manual Record Submission	CW SM	3 yearly	Consumptive abstraction which takes water from a single abstraction point and provides manual water use records to compliance to check consent condition limits		\$510.00 (\$443.48)
Consumptive Water Use 2-4 Abstraction Points Manual Record Submission	CW MM	3 yearly	Consumptive abstraction which takes water from 2-4 abstraction points and provides manual water use records to check consent condition limits.		\$740.00 (\$643.48)
Consumptive Water Use Single Abstraction Point Telemetry Record Submission	CW ST	5 yearly	Consumptive abstraction which takes water from a single abstraction point and provides water use records via telemetry to compliance to check consent condition limits.		\$190.00 (\$165.22)
Consumptive Water Use 2-4 Abstraction Points Telemetry Record Submission	CW MT	5 yearly	Consumptive abstraction which takes water from 2-4 abstraction points and provides water use records via telemetry to check consent condition limits.		\$580.00 (\$504.35)
Consumptive Water Use No Record Submission	CW NR	3 yearly	Consumptive water abstraction with no water use record required to be taken or sent to compliance to check consent condition limits.		\$115.00 (\$100)

⁸ Resource Management (Measurement and Reporting of Water Takes) Regulations 2010.

Compliance category	Code	Inspection frequency	Comments	Current Charge Incl GST (GST excl)	Proposed Charge Incl GST (GST excl)
Consumptive Water use (surface water, groundwater and warm water) – Telemetered Low Risk	CW TLR	5 yearly	Consumptive abstraction which takes water from a single abstraction point and provides water use records via telemetry	\$190	
Consumptive Water use (surface water, groundwater and warm water) – Telemetered High Risk	CW THR	3 yearly	Consumptive abstraction which may include one or some of the following: multiple abstraction points, environmental monitoring, cease-take conditions, annual reports. Water use records provided via telemetry	\$510	
Consumptive Water use (surface water, groundwater and warm water) – Manual Reporting	CW MR	3 yearly	Consumptive abstraction which may include one or some of the following: multiple abstraction points, environmental monitoring, cease-take conditions, annual reports. Water use records provided via manual submission	\$580	
Consumptive Water use (surface water, groundwater and warm water) – Manual	CW NR	3 yearly	Consumptive water abstraction with no reporting required through the resource consent	\$115	
Production land - high risk	ProdLand - high	1 yearly	A consent for land use for large, higher intensity farm systems with a large number of Critical Source Areas. Management of nutrient reductions from that activity. May include farms with a history of non-compliance.	\$690 (\$600)	\$795 (\$691.30)
Production land - medium risk	ProdLand - med	2 yearly	A consent for land use for medium intensity farms, or well managed large high intensity farms that are actively working towards reducing nutrient loss from Critical Source Areas. Management of nutrient reductions from that activity.	\$345 (\$300)	\$395 (\$343.48)
Production land – low risk	ProdLand - low	3 yearly	A consent for land use for lifestyle blocks and well managed medium sized farms that have a good track record of managing and reducing the number of Critical Source Areas. Management of nutrient reductions from that activity.	\$230 (\$200)	\$265 (\$230.43)

Schedule 2A - Consents subject to variable compliance monitoring charges

Frequencies are indicative and will be adjusted according to the risk associated with the individual consent.

Compliance category	Code	Inspection frequency	Comments
Air Discharge - large industry	Air Maj	3 monthly	In addition to regular visits, these require very frequent review of compliance returns, technical reports, etc. throughout year.
Aquaculture	Aqua	1 yearly	Aquaculture monitoring
Bore Installations	Bore Ins	As required	Administration only. Generally no site visit undertaken
Consumptive Water Use with 5 or more Abstraction Points with Manual or Telemetry Water Use Record Submission, or any Consumptive Water Use with additional use management conditions	CWMX	As required	Water use record compliance on a regular basis and additional or more frequent compliance monitoring e.g. when flow restrictions require cease-take compliance, or non-concurrent use, water quality sampling etc.
Coastal structures	Struct	10 yearly	Inspected during construction (A+R) then reduced inspection frequency
Composting Facilities (including vermicomposting)	Compost	1 yearly	Composting and vermicomposting facilities; careful management required to mitigate odour and stormwater contamination issues.
Comprehensive Catchment Stormwater	CCSW	1 yearly	Regular review of returns and reports
Dewater	Dewater	As required	Short term consents usually associated with earthworks, so inspected during earthworks site visit
Other Disturbance	Disturb	5 yearly	Inspected during works
Diversions	Div	As required	Inspected as per earthworks during construction, then not at all
Dredging	Dredge	As required	Inspected during works
Earthworks	EW	As required	An estimated annual monitoring time has been allocated for this category, as only a portion of all consents are "active" at any one time. Inspections are usually once every month, but can increase or decrease depending on site risk
Forestry	Forest	As required	An estimated annual monitoring time has been allocated for this category, as only a portion of all consents are "active" at any one time. Inspections are once every 2 months, but can increase or decrease depending on site risk
Geothermal Abstractors (Large scale)	Geol	1 yearly	Complex sites, Peer Review Panels, Community

Compliance category	Code	Inspection frequency	Comments
Hydro Dams	Hydro	1 yearly	Large hydro schemes are generally well managed, however, impact of non-compliance can be very significant
Industrial Discharges - major	ID Maj	6 monthly	These require very frequent review of compliance returns, technical reports, etc. throughout year
Industrial Abstraction - major	Ind Maj	5 yearly	As most of these water takes will fall under the NER, inspections can be reduced as records will be good indicator of compliance. Generally inspect the industrial takes at the same time as the industrial discharge consents are inspected
Lake structures	Lake Struct	10 yearly	Inspected during construction (A+R) then reduced inspection frequency. Mainly accessed by boat
Landfills - Open	Landfill Maj	6 monthly	Open landfills and managed cleanfill sites
Mangroves	Mangrove	1 yearly	Inspected as and when required when removal is taking place
Municipal Abstraction - major	MA Maj	5 yearly	These water takes will fall under the NER, and as such records will be good indicator of compliance
Municipal Wastewater Treatment Plant	WWTP	6 monthly	Discharges associated with the operation of community/municipal wastewater treatment plans and services, generally held by district councils
OSET - high risk	OSET HR	1 yearly	Small community schemes which service multiple households, systems which service schools, campgrounds, high use marae and community facilities, and other systems with a poor compliance history, older system, and/or sensitive receiving environment
OSET – medium risk	OSET MR	2 yearly	Systems for small scale commercial properties, intermittent use marae and community facilities
OSET - low risk	OSET LR	5 yearly	Systems which service a single residence and have an adequate compliance history
Piggeries	Pig	2 yearly	Low risk when managed correctly
Quarries - large commercial	Quarry Lge	6 monthly	Large commercial quarries
Quarries (small)	Quarry Sml	3 yearly	Example: Forestry, farm quarry
Reclamations	Rec	As required	Inspected as per earthworks during construction, then not at all
Disturb, excavate foreshore or seabed	Sand	5 yearly	Inspected during works
Spray - herbicides, etc.	Spray	1 yearly	Inspected on an infrequent basis depending on whether the activity is taking place
Stream structures	Stream	10 yearly	Inspected during construction (A+R) then reduced inspection frequency
Stormwater	SW	10 yearly	Variety of low risk consents. Generally only monitored at installation, unless issues arise

Schedule 3A - Charges for monitoring under the National Environmental Standards

Compliance category	Code	Inspection frequency	Comments
NES commercial forestry permitted activities	NESCF	As required	<p>Monitoring of activities undertaken as permitted activities under the NESCF, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - earthworks - river crossings - quarrying - harvesting <p>As a default, inspections during these activities will occur once every 2 months; however, that frequency may increase or decrease at the compliance officer's discretion, depending on the nature of the activity being undertaken, compliance levels and/or risks associated with the site.</p> <p><u>Note:</u> Council will charge for time spent checking that any management plans required comply with the relevant permitted activity standards.</p>
Permitted Forestry	NESPF	As Required	<p>Monitoring of forestry activity which is being undertaken as a permitted activity under the following regulations of the NESPF:</p> <p>at the commencement and for the duration of, earthworks undertaken in accordance with regulation 24;</p> <p>during pre-works, construction, and ongoing use and maintenance/removal of river crossings constructed and utilized in accordance with regulation 37;</p> <p>at the commencement, and for the duration of, quarrying undertaken in accordance with regulation 51;</p> <p>at the commencement and for the duration of, harvesting undertaken in accordance with regulation 63(2).</p> <p>As a default, inspections during these activities will occur once every 2 months; however, that frequency may increase or decrease at the compliance officer's discretion, depending on the nature of the activity being undertaken, compliance levels and/or risks associated with the site.</p>
NESFW Permitted Activities	NESFW2.1 NESFW2.2 NESFW2.3 NESFW2.4 NESFW3.1 NESFW3.2 NESFW3.3	As required	<p>Monitoring of activities undertaken as permitted activities under the NES for Freshwater, including:</p> <p>Feedlots and stockholding areas</p> <p>Agricultural intensification</p> <p>Intensive winter grazing</p> <p>Synthetic nitrogen applications</p> <p>Activities relating to natural wetlands</p> <p>Reclamation of rivers</p> <p>Structures affecting fish passage (culverts, weirs and flap-gates)</p>

Science charges

Schedule 1B - Water management

Consents to discharge industrial or process related water and/or contaminants.

STEP	Examples	Current Charge Incl GST (GST excl)	Proposed Charge Incl GST (GST excl)
1	Negligible individual impact but cumulative impacts require monitoring. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Small volume, often intermittent.	\$95.00 (\$82.61)	\$110 (\$95.65)
2	Minor individual impact but cumulative impacts require monitoring. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Small volume, low concentration waste. May not be continuous.	\$135.00 (\$117.39)	\$155 (\$134.78)
3	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Regular discharge. Contains contaminants. Volume <20 m ³ /day.	\$275.00 (\$239.13)	\$315 (\$273.91)
4	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Range of contaminants. Volume <50 m ³ /day, regular. Discharge to surface water. No impact on other users. For land discharge volume up to 150 m ³ /day increase in contaminant concentration.	\$695.00 (\$604.35)	\$800 (\$695.65)
5	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Noticeable effect on resource, other users. Regular discharge volume <100 m ³ /day. Noticeable effect on resource, other users. Regular discharge volume <100 m ³ /day. Range of contaminants. For land discharge volume up to 250 m ³ /day and increase in contaminant concentration.	\$2,860.00 (\$2,486.96)	\$3,290 (\$2,860.87)
6	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Significant potential effect on resource, but does not exclude other users. Volume <1,000 m ³ /day. Range of contaminants. For land discharge volume up to 2,000 m ³ /day and increase in contaminant concentration.	\$5,440.00 (\$4,730.43)	\$6,255 (\$5,439.13)
7	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Major receiving water impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Significant potential effect on resource, but does not exclude other users. Volume <10,000 m ³ /day. Range of contaminants. For land discharge, volume up to 20,000 m ³ /day and increase in contaminant concentrations.	\$13,585.00 (\$11,813.04)	\$15,625 (\$13,586.96)
8	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Major receiving water impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Significant potential effect on resource, but does not exclude other users. Volume <20,000 m ³ /day. Contaminants discharge to receiving waters, utilises significant portion of assimilative capacity of receiving water. Likely to exclude other significant users.	\$27,160.00 (\$23,617.39)	\$31,235 (\$27,160.87)

STEP	Examples	Current Charge Incl GST (GST excl)	Proposed Charge Incl GST (GST excl)
9	<p>Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Major receiving water impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Significant effect on resource, other users.</p> <p>Volume exceeds 20,000 m³/day. Contaminants discharge to receiving waters, utilises substantial proportion of assimilative capacity of receiving water. Likely to exclude other significant users.</p>	<p>\$42,745.00 (\$37,169.57)</p>	<p>\$49,155 (\$42,743.48)</p>
10	<p>Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Major receiving water impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Very High Impact; as a result of individual discharge or combined effect with other discharges. Substantial effect on resource or other users. Substantial range of contaminants. Can exclude other significant users.</p>	<p>\$57,010.00 (\$49,573.91)</p>	<p>\$65,560 (\$57,008.70)</p>
11	<p>Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Major receiving water impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Severe impact. The individual discharge has a substantial effect on resources and other users. Substantial range of contaminants. Excludes other significant users. May alter habitat and impact ecosystem.</p>	<p>\$108,630.00 (\$94,460.87)</p>	<p>\$124,925 (\$108,630.43)</p>

Schedule 2B - Water management

Consents to discharge sewage related water and/or contaminants

STEP	Examples	Current Charge Incl GST (GST excl)	Proposed Charge Incl GST (GST excl)
1	Negligible individual impact but cumulative impacts require monitoring. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. No offsite impacts. Small scale on site disposal. Individual household, up to 2m ³ /day.	\$210.00 (\$182.61)	\$240 (\$208.70)
2	Minor individual impact but cumulative impacts require monitoring. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. No offsite impacts. Small scale on site disposal. Up to 30m ³ /day.	\$320.00 (\$278.26)	\$370 (\$321.74)
3	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Limited offsite impacts. Small scale communal system. Land based system 30- 50m ³ /day.	\$630.00 (\$547.83)	\$725 (\$630.43)
4	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Potential offsite impacts. Small communal system. 50-100m ³ /day. For land based 50-200 m ³ /day.	\$1,885.00 (\$1,639.13)	\$2,170 (\$1,886.96)
5	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Potential and occasional offsite impacts. Significant community. Up to 2,000m ³ /day. For land discharge up to 4,000 m ³ /day. No trade wastes.	\$6,325 (\$5,500.00)	\$7,275 (\$6,326.09)
6	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Major receiving water impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Moderate impact. Small town treatment system. Potential effect on resource, but does not exclude other users. Limited trade wastes.	\$15,805 (\$13,743.48)	\$18,175 (\$15,804.35)
7	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Major receiving water impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Moderate impact. Medium scale treatment system. Identifiable effects on resource, but does not exclude other users. Trade wastes.	\$31,570 (\$27,452.17)	\$36,305 (\$31,569.57)
8	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Major receiving water impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Moderate to high impact. Identifiable effects on resource, can exclude other users. Significant trade wastes.	\$66,390.00 (\$57,730.43)	\$76,350 (\$66,391.30)

Schedule 3B - Water management

Consents to discharge agricultural related water and/or contaminants

STEP	Examples	Current Charge Incl GST (GST excl)	Proposed Charge Incl GST (GST excl)
1	Negligible individual impact but cumulative impacts require monitoring. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. No offsite impacts. Land discharge <20 m ³ /day.	\$265.00 (\$230.43)	\$305 (\$265.22)
2	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Discharge to surface water and land discharge >20 m ³ /day. Potential effect on resource, but does not exclude other users.	\$295.00 (\$256.52)	\$340 (\$295.65)
3	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Small to moderate impact. Some impact on resource, minimal impact on other users.	\$1,170.00 (\$1,017.39)	\$1,345 (\$1,169.57)
4	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Moderate impact. Utilises significant amount of receiving water capacity. May impact on other users. <50 m ³ /day.	\$4,380.00 (\$3,808.70)	\$5,035 (\$4,378.26)
5	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Major receiving water impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Moderate to high impact. Utilises substantial amount of receiving water capacity. Excludes other users.	\$7,285.00 (\$6,334.78)	\$8,380 (\$7,286.96)

Schedule 4B - Water management

Consents to discharge stormwater, quarrying, dredging, leachate and miscellaneous related water and/or contaminants

STEP	Examples	Current Charge Incl GST (GST excl)	Proposed Charge Incl GST (GST excl)
1	Negligible individual impact but cumulative impacts require monitoring. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. No offsite effects. Land based disposal only.	\$200.00 (\$173.91)	\$230 (\$200)
2	Minor individual impact but cumulative impacts require monitoring. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Low concentration of limited contaminants. Intermittent discharge. Insignificant	\$395.00 (\$343.48)	\$455 (\$395.65)
3	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Small Impact. Low concentration of limited contaminants. Intermittent to regular discharge.	\$580.00 (\$504.35)	\$665 (\$578.26)
4	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Moderate impact. Minor effect on resource. Does not exclude other users. Low to medium concentration of limited contaminants. Intermittent to regular discharge.	\$1,430.00 (\$1,243.48)	\$1,645 (\$1,430.43)
5	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Moderate to significant impact. Has impact on resource and may affect other users. Increase in concentration and number of contaminants discharged.	\$4,785.00 (\$4,160.87)	\$5,505 (\$4,786.96)
6	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Significant impact. Has impact on resource, can exclude other users. Can have impact on biota and alters habitat. May contain toxic substances.	\$14,315.00 (\$12,447.83)	\$16,460 (\$14,313.04)
7	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Major receiving water impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. Monitoring of receiving water classification standards where relevant. Major impact. Has impact on resource, can exclude other users. Has impact on biota and alters habitat.	\$30,130.00 (\$26,200.00)	\$34,650 (\$30,130.43)

Schedule 5B - Water management

Consents to discharge warm water/geothermal fluid into the ground

STEP	Examples	Current Charge Incl GST (GST excl)	Proposed Charge Incl GST (GST excl)
1	Negligible individual impact but cumulative impacts require monitoring. No foreign contamination.	\$50.00 (\$43.48)	\$60 (\$52.17)
2	Reinjection (Rotorua Geothermal Field), small volume <25 m ³ /day. Regular discharge.	\$0	\$0
3	Soakage (Rotorua Geothermal Field), small volume <25 m ³ /day. Regular discharge. Minor individual impact but cumulative impacts may require monitoring. Minor impact. No foreign contamination.	\$85.00 (\$73.91)	\$100 (\$86.96)
4	Reinjection (Rotorua Geothermal Field), volume <250 m ³ /day. Regular discharge.	\$0	\$0
5	Soakage (Rotorua Geothermal Field). Regular discharge. Volume <250 m ³ /day. Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Small impact. No foreign contamination.	\$220.00 (\$191.30)	\$255 (\$221.74)
6	Reinjection (Rotorua Geothermal Field), volume <500 m ³ /day. Regular discharge.	\$0	\$0
7	Soakage (Rotorua Geothermal Field). Regular discharge. Volume <500 m ³ /day. Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Small to moderate impact. No foreign contamination.	\$900.00 (\$782.61)	\$1,035 (\$900)
8	Reinjection (Rotorua Geothermal Field), volume <2,000 m ³ /day. Regular discharge.	\$0	\$0
9	Soakage (Rotorua Geothermal Field). Regular discharge. Volume <2,000 m ³ /day. Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Moderate impact. No foreign contamination. Has potential to affect resource or other users.	\$2,255.00 (\$1,960.87)	\$2,595 (\$2,256.52)
10	Discharge to reinjection. Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Moderate impact. No foreign contamination. May affect resource and other users. Regular discharge. Volume <5,000 m ³ /day.	\$4,525.00 (\$3,934.78)	\$5,205 (\$4,526.09)
11	Discharge to reinjection. Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. High impact. No foreign contamination. Resource affected. Can exclude other users. Volume >5,000 m ³ /day.	\$11,290.00 (\$9,817.39)	\$12,985 (\$11,291.30)

Schedule 6B - Water management

Consents to take surface water

STEP	Examples	Current Charge Incl GST (GST excl)	Proposed Charge Incl GST (GST excl)
1	Negligible individual impact but cumulative impacts require monitoring. Includes environmental protection or enhancement activities. Plentiful resource 0-250 m ³ /day. Frost protection - up to 1,000 m ³ /day.	\$125.00 (\$108.70)	\$145 (\$126.09)
2	Minor individual impact but cumulative impacts require monitoring. Includes environmental protection or enhancement activities. No significant impact on other users. Plentiful resource 250-500 m ³ /day. Frost protection - up to 2,000 m ³ /day.	\$240.00 (\$208.70)	\$275 (\$239.13)
3	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Small impact. Some impact on flow particularly in combination with other users. Not detrimental to in-stream values. 500-1,000 m ³ /day. Frost protection - up to 3,000 m ³ /day.	\$450.00 (\$391.30)	\$520 (\$452.17)
4	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Small to moderate impact. Impact on flow may exclude other users. 1,000-2,000 m ³ /day (municipal and industrial takes). Up to 5,000 m ³ /day (irrigators). Frost protection - >3,000 m ³ /day.	\$1,805.00 (\$1,569.57)	\$2,075 (\$1,804.35)
5	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Moderate impact. Impact on flow may exclude other users. May be detrimental to in-stream values. Up to 10,000 m ³ /day.	\$4,645.00 (\$4,039.13)	\$5,340 (\$4,643.48)
6	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Moderate to large impact. Significant abstraction. Can have impacts on the resource and other users. Up to 30,000 m ³ /day.	\$13,905.00 (\$12,091.30)	\$15,990 (\$13,904.35)
7	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Major resource impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. High impact. Significant water abstraction. Has significant impact on resource. Up to 50,000 m ³ /day.	\$23,180.00 (\$20,156.52)	\$26,655 (\$23,178.26)
8	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity require specific monitoring techniques. Major resource impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. High impact. Significant water abstraction. Has significant impact on resource. Up to 100,000 m ³ /day.	\$46,460.00 (\$40,400.00)	\$53,430 (\$46,460.87)
9	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity require specific monitoring techniques. Major resource impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. Substantial impact. Has significant impact on water availability and capacity to receive discharges. Utilises large proportion of stream flow >10% of Q5. Potential to exclude other users. Up to 200,000 m ³ /day.	\$92,565.00 (\$80,491.30)	\$106,450 (\$92,565.22)

Note: these charges vary depending on the volume of water permitted to be taken under the consent and apply regardless of whether the allocation is being used.

Schedule 7B - Water management

Consents to take groundwater (including geothermal, where take is for a consumptive use, such as irrigation)

STEP	Examples	Current Charge Incl GST (GST excl)	Proposed Charge Incl GST (GST excl)
1	Negligible individual impact but cumulative impacts require monitoring. Plentiful resource. Up to 250 m ³ /day. Frost protection - up to 1,000 m ³ /day.	\$240.00 (\$208.70)	\$275 (\$239.13)
2	Minor individual impact but cumulative impacts require monitoring. No significant impact on other users. Plentiful resource. Up to 500 m ³ /day. Frost protection - up to 2,000 m ³ /day.	\$485.00 (\$421.74)	\$560 (\$486.96)
3	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Small impact. Resource may be limited. Can impact other users. Up to 1,000 m ³ /day. Frost protection - up to 3,000 m ³ /day.	\$860.00 (\$747.83)	\$990 (\$860.87)
4	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Moderate impact. Resource may be limited. Can impact resource and other users. Up to 2,000 m ³ /day (municipal and industrial takes). Up to 5,000 m ³ /day (irrigators). Frost protection - >3,000 m ³ /day.	\$3,455.00 (\$3,004.35)	\$3,975 (\$3,456.52)
5	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Moderate impact. Other users potentially affected. Resource may be impacted. Up to 5,000 m ³ /day (municipal and industrial takes). Up to 7,500 m ³ /day (irrigators).	\$4,855.00 (\$4,221.74)	\$5,585 (\$4,856.52)
6	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Moderate to large impact. Other users affected or excluded. Resource impacted. Up to 10,000 m ³ /day.	\$9,130.00 (\$7,939.13)	\$10,500 (\$9,130.43)
7	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Major resource impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. Large impact. Other users affected or excluded. Resource impacted. Up to 30,000 m ³ /day.	\$26,770.00 (\$23,278.26)	\$30,785 (\$26,769.57)
8	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity require specific monitoring techniques. Major resource impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. Major impact. Localised effect on complex resource. Can limit or exclude other users. Up to 50,000 m ³ /day.	\$44,645.00 (\$38,821.74)	\$51,340 (\$44,643.48)

Note: these charges vary depending on the volume of water permitted to be taken under the consent and apply regardless of whether the allocation is being used.

Schedule 8B - Water management

Consents to take geothermal fluid and geothermal heat/energy

STEP	Examples	Current Charge Incl GST (GST excl)	Proposed Charge Incl GST (GST excl)
1	Negligible individual impact but cumulative impacts require monitoring. Geothermal fluid <5 m ³ /day. Warm water bores (Tauranga Field) <25 m ³ /day.	\$65.00 (\$56.52)	\$75 (\$65.22)
2	Minor individual impact but cumulative impacts require monitoring. No significant impact on other users. Geothermal fluid <25 m ³ /day. Down-hole heat exchangers < 5 kw. Warm water bores (Tauranga Field) <100 m ³ /day.	\$95.00 (\$82.61)	\$110 (\$95.65)
3	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Small impact. Resource may be limited. Can impact other users. Geothermal fluid < 50 m ³ /day. Down-hole heat exchangers >5 kw. Warm water bores (Tauranga Field) >100 m ³ /day.	\$145.00 (\$126.09)	\$165 (\$143.48)
4	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Moderate impact. Resource may be limited. Can impact resource and other users. Geothermal fluid <150 m ³ /day.	\$825.00 (\$717.39)	\$950 (\$826.09)
5	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Moderate impact. Other users potentially affected. Resource may be impacted. Geothermal fluid <350 m ³ /day.	\$2,455.00 (\$2,134.78)	\$2,825 (\$2,456.52)
6	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Moderate to large impact. Other users affected or excluded. Resource impacted. Geothermal fluid <2,000 m ³ /day.	\$6,115.00 (\$5,317.39)	\$7,030 (\$6,113.04)
7	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Major resource impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. Large impact. Other users affected or excluded. Resource impacted. Geothermal fluid up to 20,000 m ³ /day	\$12,210.00 (\$10,617.39)	\$14,040 (\$12,208.70)
8	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity require specific monitoring techniques. Major resource impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. Major impact. Localised effect on complex resource. Can limit or exclude other users. Geothermal fluid >20,000 m ³ /day.	\$29,305.00 (\$25,482.61)	\$33,700 (\$29,304.35)

Schedule 9B - Water management

Consents to dam and/or divert

STEP	Examples	Current Charge Incl GST (GST excl)	Proposed Charge Incl GST (GST excl)
1	Negligible individual impact but cumulative impacts require monitoring. Intermittent flood control, permanent stream diversions and realignments. Environmental protection or enhancement activities. Dams:- less than 1.5 m. Diversions:- mean stream flow less than 0.5 m ³ /sec.	\$125.00 (\$108.70)	\$145 (\$126.09)
2	Minor individual impact but cumulative impacts require monitoring. No significant impact on resource. No impact on in-stream values. Permanent stream diversions and realignments. Environmental protection or enhancement activities. Dams:- less than 3 m. Diversions:- mean stream flow	\$190.00 (\$165.22)	\$220 (\$191.3)
3	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Small impact. Potential effect on resource. Some impact on in-stream values on a more sensitive stream/river. Permanent stream diversions and realignments. Dams:- less than 3 m. Diversions:- mean stream flow less than 2 m ³ /sec.	\$355.00 (\$308.70)	\$410 (\$356.52)
4	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Small impact. Effect on resource. Some impact on in-stream values. Permanent stream diversions and realignments. Dams:- less than 5 m. Diversions:- mean stream flow less than 10 m ³ /sec. Diversion of water (power schemes) less than 10% of mean flow of river system.	\$1,045.00 (\$908.70)	\$1,200 (\$1,043.48)
5	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Small to moderate impact. Significant effect on resource. Impact in-stream values. Ecosystem impacts. Minimal compensation flow. Dams:- less than 10 m. Diversions:- (a) Permanent stream diversions and realignments - mean stream flow less than 20 m ³ /sec. (b) Diversion of water (power scheme) less than 20% of mean flow of river system.	\$2,810.00 (\$2,443.48)	\$3,230 (\$2,808.70)
6	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Moderate impact. Impacts flow regime of part of catchment. Significant impact on stream ecosystem and in-stream values. Limits and may exclude other users. Diversion of water (power schemes) less than 30% of mean flow of river system.	\$8,100.00 (\$7,043.48)	\$9,315 (\$8,100)
7	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity may require specific monitoring techniques. Major resource impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. Large impact. Other users affected or excluded. Resource impacted. Geothermal fluid up to 20,000 m ³ /day.	\$14,045.00 (\$12,213.04)	\$16,150 (\$14,043.48)
8	Individual and cumulative impacts require monitoring. Impacts of consent holder's activity require specific monitoring techniques. Major resource impact monitoring investigation annually. Report prepared. Large impact. Impacts flow regime of part of catchment. Substantial impact on stream ecosystem and in-stream values. Likely to exclude other users. Diversion of water (power schemes) greater than 50% of mean flow of river system.	\$24,570.00 (\$21,365.22)	\$28,255 (\$24,569.57)

Schedule 10B - Air management

Consents to discharge contaminants into air

STEP	Examples	Current Charge Incl GST (GST excl)	Proposed Charge Incl GST (GST excl)
1	Small landfills	\$95.00 (\$82.61)	\$110 (\$95.65)
2	Sand blasters, small incinerators. Predominantly former Class "B" processes. Medium/large sewage plant air discharges.	\$440.00 (\$382.61)	\$505 (\$439.13)
2a	Spray painters. Small/medium sewage plant air discharges.	\$95.00 (\$82.61)	\$110 (\$95.65)
3	Hot dip ³² galvanising. Asphalt manufacture.	\$440.00 (\$382.61)	\$505 (\$439.13)
4	Rendering plants and pet food factories.	\$1,195.00 (\$1,039.13)	\$1,375 (\$1,195.65)
5	A range of chemical processes. Larger boiler plant.	\$2,960.00 (\$2,573.91)	\$3,405 (\$2,960.87)
6	A range of chemical processes with higher risk of offsite effects.	\$8,865.00 (\$7708.70)	\$10,195 (\$8,865.22)
7	Fertiliser manufacturing plant.	\$17,735.00 (\$15,421.74)	\$20,395 (\$17,734.78)
8	Major pulp and paper mill.	\$35,450.00 (\$30,826.09)	\$40,770 (\$35,452.17)
9	Activities on port land.	Actual and reasonable charges*	Actual and reasonable charges*

* Actual and reasonable costs include, but are not limited to; staff time at the staff charge out rates details in Schedule A, sampling and testing costs and any specialist advice needed.

Schedule 11B – Coastal management

Coastal consents (other than takes and discharges)

STEP	Examples	Current Charge Incl GST (GST excl)	Proposed Charge Incl GST (GST excl)
1	No charge as there is no specific regional/impact monitoring programme associated with this category of consents.	\$0	\$0
2	Aquaculture – marine farms <10 hectare consented area.	\$165.00 (\$143.48)	\$190 (\$165.22)
3	Aquaculture – marine farms >10 hectare consented area.	\$1,665.00 (\$1,447.83)	\$1,915 (\$1,665.22)

Note: The Data and Science charges for marine farms apply from the time the consent is exercised (ie: once marine farm equipment is installed in the water) and are based on the area consented.

Schedule 12B - Land use management

Land use consents

STEP	Examples	Current Charge Incl GST (GST excl)	Proposed Charge Incl GST (GST excl)
1	Minor earthworks not covered by Steps 2-6 (e.g. installation of structures such as culverts and jetties).	\$0	\$0
2	Earthworks and forestry operations <1 hectare (total land area covered under the consent).	\$305.00 (\$265.22)	\$350 (\$304.35)
3	Earthworks and forestry operations 1-10 hectares (total land area covered under the consent).	\$925.00 (\$804.35)	\$1,065 (\$926.09)
4	Earthworks and forestry operations >10 hectares (total land area covered under the consent).	\$1,805.00 (\$1,569.57)	\$2,075 (\$1,804.35)
5	Quarries <2 hectare (total land area allowed to be worked under the consent).	\$370.00 (\$321.74)	\$425 (\$369.57)
6	Quarries >2 hectare (total land area allowed to be worked under the consent).	\$580.00 (\$504.35)	\$665 (\$578.26)

Note: Earthworks include those associated with land development, tracks, roads, forestry, vegetation clearance, disturbance of contaminated land, and rehabilitation works. It does not include consents for installation of structures (e.g. culverts and jetties).