

Management Plan for Waimakariri Irrigation Scheme

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1.0 Introduction

Waimakariri Irrigation Limited (WIL) has developed an Irrigation Scheme drawing water from the Waimakariri River and distributing this water to farmers between the Waimakariri and Ashley Rivers. Irrigation water is provided to properties within an area bounded by the Waimakariri River in the south, the Ashley River in the north and generally between a line from grid references L35:340-590 to M34:470-740 in the west and a line from grid references M35:780-530 to M35:750-690 in the east. This coincides with the 44,000 ha command area of the Waimakariri District Council stockwater race system.

This management plan has been prepared to fulfil the requirements of conditions on consents CRC952566.1, CRC952567.1, CRC952568.1, CRC952571.1, CRC952572.1, CRC952573.1, CRC952575.1, CRC952577.1 and CRC952578.1, which were all originally issued in 1996, and CRC000585.9, which has had changes to its conditions on various occasions, with the most recent change occurring in May 2010. These consents were issued by Environment Canterbury (ECan) to Waimakariri Irrigation Limited (WIL) and the Waimakariri District Council (WDC) to allow the abstraction of water from the Waimakariri River and its distribution and use across the Waimakariri-Ashley Plain. This Scheme is referred to as the Waimakariri Irrigation Scheme.

This plan details the ownership and operation of the Scheme, the management of the various water uses, methods for complying with the consent conditions, the monitoring of environmental effects and mitigation of any adverse effects.

Conditions 12 and 13 of consent CRC000585.9 promote the reasonable and efficient use of water by the Waimakariri Irrigation Scheme (the Scheme), as well as on individual properties that utilise Scheme water. The preparation of a Water Use Management Plan assists in achieving that purpose. The Water Use Management Plan has been incorporated into the overall management plan for the Scheme.

WIL also consider that this plan should reflect its corporate requirements as outlined in its Constitution, Policy and Operation Manuals, Shareholders' Water Supply Agreements and best practice guidance by Irrigation New Zealand, as well as industry standards and new technologies. The Management Plan also has to have regard to the Waimakariri District Council Water Race Bylaw 2007, and the WDC/WIL Licence Agreement.

The Plan is a living document which will be updated on an annual basis to incorporate WIL initiatives to improve management that are implemented each year.

2.0 WIL Mission and Values

WIL is a cooperative company established in 1998 to own and manage the Irrigation Scheme. WIL places high priority on the responsible and efficient use of water in its Scheme, and has been proactive in introducing measures and procedures to ensure continuous improvement in the operation of the Scheme. This proactive approach is embodied in WIL mission statement which is:

“To be Leaders in Water Management, providing Reliable, Economic and Sustainable Supply”.

3.0 Description of the Waimakariri Irrigation Scheme

The Waimakariri Irrigation Scheme provides irrigation water to 198 shareholders utilising up to 10.7 m³/s of water to efficiently irrigate land between the Waimakariri and Ashley Rivers, authorised by consents CRC000585.9 and CRC144253. The Scheme operates in conjunction with a stockwater supply scheme. The water races used by the Waimakariri Irrigation Scheme and the stockwater supply scheme are owned by the Waimakariri District Council (WDC). The WDC has put in place a licence for Waimakariri Irrigation Limited (WIL) to construct, manage and operate an Irrigation Scheme over the existing stock water race system for the duration of the resource consents. The total length of the stockwater races is approximately 1,400 km over a command area of 44,000 ha.

Water for both schemes is drawn from the Waimakariri River through twin intakes located at Browns Rock. The water then passes through a sedimentation basin, prior to being distributed across to the plains via the water races. A map of the water distribution network is shown in Figure 1.

It takes up to 48 hours for water from the Waimakariri River to reach those shareholders furthest from the intake. As a consequence, requests for water, or to cease supplying water, must take the time lag into account.

Water is only available to shareholder properties at a flow rate that does not exceed their share allocation. All races have been designed for specific volumes and shareholders must take their ordered water entitlements from the designated location. Each share entitles the irrigator a maximum of 45.4 cubic metres of water in any week. When the full allocation of 10.5 m³/s became available for irrigation use, a standard allocation was made to each shareholder of 7 shares per hectare (i.e. 0.525 L/s/ha).

Shares can be traded between shareholders so that different application rates and annual volumes can occur on different properties, provided that they represent a reasonable and efficient use of water and provided that the physical capacity of the water races is sufficient to distribute the water to all shareholders. The amount of water that is used is typically in the range from 6 shares per hectare (i.e. 0.45 L/s/ha) to 9 shares per hectare (i.e. 0.675 L/s/ha).

4.0 Management of Water

The water intake and distribution network is used to supply water to the irrigators and the stockwater users (authorised by consent CRC133965 held by the WDC) and can also be used for trials of aquifer recharge using the Eyre River. The allocation of water between these different uses is distributed according to the following priorities.

A. Water Not Subject to Low Flow Restrictions from Waimakariri River

Priority	Water Use	Allocation Criteria
1 st	Stockwater supply	Maintenance of existing stockwater supply. Water requirements determined from past experience up to the quantities specified in resource consent CRC133965.

B. Water Subject to Low Flow Restrictions from Waimakariri River

Priority	Water Use	Allocation Criteria
2 nd	Irrigation Supply	Water requirements determined by WIL – based on areas irrigated and water application rates that are within ECan's Report U05/15/1 "Schedule WQN9 Revision: Review of seasonal use approach included in Proposed NRRP".
3 rd	Filling storage reservoirs	WIL water can be used to fill on-farm storage reservoirs or scheme based reservoirs, up to an annual volume of 57,100,100 cubic metres in any 12 month period.
4 th	Groundwater Enhancement	Trials of aquifer recharge can be conducted when groundwater levels are low (as indicated by a network of monitoring wells), and only when the usage of this water does not jeopardise the irrigation supply to WIL shareholders.

WIL is responsible for management of the water race system covering all water uses. This includes a management contract between WDC and WIL, covering the provision of the stockwater supplies. WIL's responsibilities include:

- (a) Controlling the intake;
- (b) Discharge or disposal of sediment deposited in the sediment trap;
- (c) Maintenance of the races;
- (d) The distribution and management of stockwater;
- (e) The distribution and management of irrigation water;
- (f) The discharge of water to the Eyre River, for groundwater enhancement purposes;
- (g) The discharge of by-wash water to the Eyre River, the Ashley River, and the Cust Main Drain.

A second intake at Browns Rock was completed in 2014 which WIL manages to enable the supply of up to 3,360 L/s to Ngai Tahu Property Ltd's Eyrewell property, as authorised by their consent CRC140940.

4.1 Control of the Intake

The Scheme intake at Browns Rock is monitored by continuous flow gauging. The intake gates are controlled by the Operations Manager having regard to the water requirements of Scheme users and in accordance with information from ECan regarding water allocation rules.

Two other factors may control the management of the water intake:

(a) Management During High Flows in Waimakariri River

There are times of very high flow in the Waimakariri River when the suspended sediment load is so high (including the mobilisation of the river bed) that it is necessary to close the Scheme intake so as to protect the intake structure and to prevent over filling of the sediment trap and races. Such times will be kept to a minimum and will be determined by the Operations Manager based on past experiences.

(b) Management of Unforeseen Problems

An assessment of the anticipated environmental effects arising from this Scheme was prepared as part of the resource consent application. Where any adverse effects are foreseen, mitigation measures have been built into the Scheme operation. This information provides the best available assessment of the effects created by Scheme operation.

4.2 Management of the Stockwater Supply

The existing stockwater race system is essential to a great number of farms and lifestyle blocks in the district which have no readily available alternative source of water for stock. It is a basic requirement of this scheme that an adequate stockwater race system will be maintained at all times during the operation of the Waimakariri Irrigation Scheme. The actual supply requirements are determined from the experience of the Operations Manager, up to a maximum rate authorised by the WDC resource consent.

A management licence has been established that protects the rights of both stockwater users and irrigators, and an Operations and Maintenance Manual details the work to be carried out under the contract between WIL and WDC.

In addition to management of the stockwater race network WIL must also manage the stockwater use of the shareholders on the irrigation races. One example of how WIL does this is the WIL Policy with respect to stock in water races. Waimakariri District Council Water Race ByLaw 2007 (Clause 3.4) states: "*No one is to permit, allow or do any of the following:...* ...3.4.4 *Any animals to linger in a water race, but a drinking station may be provided outside the race*". Stock faeces and urine in race water is undesirable and unhygienic for other stock

downstream. The nutrients produced as a result, contribute to the growth of algae and other weeds in the water races and potentially in any natural water way which receives bywash flows from the water races.

WIL's policy is that if WIL observe anyone breaching the ByLaw it will issue a first notice requiring the landowner to erect a fence to prevent stock from lingering in the water race. In the event that the landowner does not comply with the first notice they are issued with a final notice to inform the landowner that the matter will now be referred to the Waimakariri District Council (for addressing under the rules of the ByLaw).

Stockwater was originally supplied to the scheme through the Brown's Rock Tunnel constructed in the 1890's. This tunnel remains operative today and is used in emergency situations when the Brown's twin intakes cannot operate due to damage, maintenance or high river flows. It is important that the tunnel remains in good working order.

4.3 Management of Irrigation Supply

Each share entitles the shareholder to take a quota of 0.075 L/s. This quota is allocated as follows:

- (a) an initial allocation of 7 shares per hectare was made to all current shareholders at that time, giving them an allocation rate of 0.525 L/s/ha.
- (b) The average rate that irrigation water is applied to the land, including the combined rate of application from any other water source, shall not exceed 6.5 mm/day.
- (c) Variable allocations achieved by trading of shares between shareholders, typically within a range of 6 – 9 shares per hectare, provided that the use of the water is reasonable and efficient and that the delivery of water to all shareholders can still be achieved within the physical capacity of the water race network.

Given the Land and Water Regional Plan is essentially operative WIL now needs to consider land use application within the Rules of the Plan. Each new share transfer is now assessed against the Rules and water will only be delivered when a shareholder can demonstrate they meet compliance requirements.

To assist in authorising the wider use of water within the LWRP, WIL is also applying for a nutrient discharge consent, which requires the specification of a nitrogen leaching limit for the scheme. Work on this consent application is currently in progress and is described in further detail later in the report.

WIL has put in place a management structure and procedures which ensure that it supplies water to the irrigators in an efficient manner while complying with the conditions of its resource consent. The management structure includes:

- ✦ Policy and procedures
- ✦ An ordering system
- ✦ Rostering of water use during restrictions

- ✦ Disciplinary measures

4.3.1 WIL Policy and Procedures

WIL has a series of policies and procedures to ensure best practice is adopted for the Scheme. The company's approach is to anticipate or lead developments in the irrigation industry and considers that the resource consent conditions are a standard to be exceeded, not a target to be met. With this proactive approach, WIL wishes to progress, with the support of key stakeholders, to a self-audited management system to promote efficient use of water, stream and riparian management with a focus on nutrient and load limit management.

WIL already monitors its water use carefully, along with the water use of its larger shareholders. This information is used to ensure that the Scheme minimises the water lost from the by-washes from the Scheme, and farmers only use the amount of water allocated to them. The Water Supply Agreement for shareholders includes the ability for WIL to refuse to supply farmers who breach the rules relating to water supply. These procedures enable WIL to manage its Scheme activities in a manner that is consistent with its mission statement.

4.3.2 Ordering System

A standard 24 to 48 hours notice is required from Shareholders who wish to take, or cease to take, water. This is required because it takes that amount of time for the water to travel through the system and reach all shareholders' properties. Shorter notice periods are possible in some cases with due regard being given to the lag times involved.

Requests for water are either faxed, e-mailed or sent via text messaging, to the Operations Manager and must include the following information

- ✦ Which property the water is for
- ✦ The start up time and date
- ✦ The stop time and date
- ✦ Flow rate

Water is only available to properties that have been formally identified by the shareholders and at a flow rate that matches their share allocations. All races have been designed for specific volumes and shareholders must take their ordered water entitlements from the designated location.

4.3.3 Rostering During Restrictions

The area of the Scheme has been broken up into four zones of approximately the same area. This enables restrictions to be applied in stages. For example:

- ✦ A 25% reduction means that each area in turn would have no water for two days and then have six days of water.
- ✦ A 50% reduction means that each area would have water four days and no water for four days.

- ✦ With a 75% reduction each area would only get two days of water then wait six days before water is available again.

4.3.4 Disciplinary Measures

In the event that WIL determines that a shareholder is taking water in excess of that permitted under the Water Supply Agreement WIL has instituted the following disciplinary measures:

1. In the first instance a Verbal Warning will be given.
2. In the second instance a Written Warning notating the consequences of failure to comply (refer 3, 4 and 5 below) and a requirement that an “off-race” sump be built (the Company will then install a lockable gate at the intake of the sump).
3. In the third instance a Written Notice will be issued permitting the Shareholder to elect to accept a suspension of supply for a period of 7 days (and action will then be taken to ensure that supply is immediately suspended for a period of 7 days) in lieu of the Company not exercising its right to reduce or cease the supply of water under clause 15 of the Water Supply Agreement.
4. In the fourth instance a Written Notice will be issued permitting the shareholder to elect a suspension of supply for a period of 21 days (and actions will then be taken to ensure that supply is immediately suspended for a period of 21 days) in lieu of the Company not exercising its right to cease the supply of water under clause 15 of the Water Supply Agreement.
5. In the case of further breaches or continuing breaches notices will be given, that under Clause 15 of the Water Supply Agreement, that the water supply is to be ceased permanently and the Water Supply Agreement is to be terminated.

4.4 Management of Filling Storage Reservoirs

If there is surplus water available after the stockwater and irrigation requirements have been met, water can be used to fill appropriately consented storage facilities. The construction and maintenance of storage structures is controlled by separate rules and consenting requirements than the consents currently held by WIL and it is the responsibility of the owner of the storage reservoir to demonstrate to WIL that they have the appropriate approval from both ECan and WDC to authorise their reservoir structure.

Shareholders storage reservoirs which currently total 4,744,500m³ are only able to be filled at a maximum rate determined by the number of shares held by that shareholder.

4.5 Management of Eyre River Groundwater Trials

There is no intention to carry out Eyre River Groundwater Trials in the foreseeable future. However consent CRC000585.9 allows for such augmentation of groundwater surrounding the Eyre River to occur. The following section refers to the management of such an undertaking, if it were to occur at some time in the future.

Groundwater recharge can be achieved by the discharge of water into the Eyre River bed. Trials of this water use will only occur if there is a surplus from the fundamental requirements of water supplied directly to farm properties for stockwater and irrigation purposes.

Water used specifically for recharge purposes must comply with the following requirements:

- ✧ The rate at which water is discharged shall not exceed 3 m³/s;
- ✧ Field trials will be carried out in the August – May period;
- ✧ A discharge rate in excess of 0.5 m³/s shall only take place in the stretch of river bed specified below when the water levels in the listed bores are lower than the specified levels.

Bore	Water Level (m below ECan measuring point)	Stretch of River Bed to be Recharged
M35/0028	8	Main Race to Steffens Road
M35/0008	3	Steffens Road to Downs Road
M35/0058	4	
M35/0193	4	Downs Road to Browns Road

- ✧ The suspended sediment concentration of the water discharged to the Eyre River shall not exceed 50 g/m³.

Monitoring must be undertaken during any recharge trial period, including documenting the hours and flow rate of the source water and its quality (suspended solids, nitrate-nitrogen and E. coli). Monitoring of groundwater levels and groundwater quality in the receiving environment are detailed in Section 8.0.

The results of any field trials will be presented to land owners who may be affected by the Eyre River recharge.

5.0 WIL Initiatives

As stated in Section 2.0, WIL's mission is to be "Leaders in Water Management, providing Reliable, Economic and Sustainable Supply". WIL will be aiming to put into place initiatives to improve the water management to farmers and to ensure that they use the water as efficiently as is practicable.

5.1 Strategic Initiatives

WIL continues to investigate strategic initiatives to maximise the efficiency of the irrigation system and the water abstracted from the Waimakariri River. Current initiatives under investigation include:

TT Storage

TT Power generation

TT Working with Ngai Tahu Property Ltd to achieve joint efficiencies in irrigation

5.1.1 Storage

Both WIL and some of its individual shareholders are actively investigating the use of reservoirs for the storage of water abstracted from the Waimakariri River at times of high flow to be used for irrigation when the flow in the Waimakariri River limits the water available directly from the river for irrigation. The aim is to maximise the efficient use of water and the farm production of the shareholders.

Some individual shareholders have already constructed on farm storage reservoirs that have been consented by ECan or fall within the scope of a Permitted activity. These reservoirs are filled from the WIL scheme water at times when the irrigation demand is not at its peak. Filling also occurs throughout the winter period so that reservoirs are full prior to the commencement of irrigation.

On 10 June 2013, Building Consent BCA122892 was approved to construct and operate an 8.2 million cubic meter storage reservoir at Wright's Road. A joint ECan/ WDC hearing granted Resource Consents for the dam in October 2014. That decision was appealed by a local community group resulting in an Environment Court hearing held in August 2015. The hearing has subsequently been adjourned until November 2015.

5.1.2 Power Generation

The slope of the main race is flatter than that of the Waimakariri River. As a result where the main race reaches the top of the terrace there is a significant drop back to the Waimakariri River. WIL is investigating the possibility of generating power with a series of generators located within the main race system. Subject to resource consents, water could be diverted from the Waimakariri River and used to generate power. If this strategic initiative goes ahead it will provide generation of power local to the area where it is used.

5.1.3 Working with Ngai Tahu Property Ltd

WIL provide a management role in the delivery of water to the Ngai Tahu Property irrigation areas. Recognising potential efficiencies, an application to vary Ngai Tahu Property consent CRC140940 and the WIL consent has been lodged with ECan to allow a more consistent management approach to apply to water abstracted at Browns Rock.

5.2 2015 Operational Initiatives

WIL has undertaken the following initiatives to improve the overall efficiency of the Scheme and to meet the requirements of the Land and Water Regional Plan and WZC Zone Implementation Programme

- ✧ The installation of flow meters and telemetry on key water takes > 10 L/s
- ✧ The installation of flow meters on all farm storage ponds at the abstraction point from the irrigation race to better manage on farm stored water.
- ✧ The installation of additional stilling wells to measure flow within the race system.
- ✧ In conjunction with NIWA and MWH the company is preparing a plan to enhance flow monitoring, flow modelling and delivery automation.
- ✧ WIL has developed an Environmental Management System (EMS) to enable shareholders to undertake and demonstrate active, positive management to protect and enhance the environment. In addition each shareholder property is being spatially represented onto a digital mapping system which is a key component of the EMS.
- ✧ WIL is working with the WZC and other industry groups to assist informing shareholders of the proposed ASM programme and promoting best practise nutrient management and water use efficiency.
- ✧ The development of a web based programme whereby shareholders can more efficiently trade shares and transfer water to improve water use efficiency.
- ✧ The engagement of an Environmental Manager to assist all shareholders to complete web based FEP's by September 2016. The purpose of completing FEP's ahead of the required time is to promote the efficient use of water and to minimise nitrogen loss, in addition WIL will be able to contribute to the Sub Regional Planning process with actual land use data.
- ✧ Actively engaged with WZC and ECan in the 'science gathering project' for the Sub Regional Planning process.
- ✧ Funding and support of the installation of soil moisture monitors, flowmeters and weather stations to support NIWA and Regen irrigation scheduling trials. In the 2015/16 irrigation season trials will be carried out on 12 shareholder properties. The findings of these results will be published and updated on the WIL website on a regular basis.
- ✧ The development of an Information Systems Strategic Plan to help implement Good Management Practices on a scheme wide basis. WIL intends to further invest in information systems to make it easy for shareholders to capture, and for the

company to consolidate, accurate and auditable records of inputs, outputs and management practices across all farms on the scheme.

- ✦ WIL have also lodged a consent application (CRC142754) to establish a nitrogen leaching limit for the scheme so as to comply with the requirements of the Canterbury Land and Water Regional Plan. That requires the establishment of a nitrogen leaching baseline from the scheme. At the time of updating this management plan the work is ongoing regarding the establishment of this baseline number.
- ✦ The company has lined a further 800m section of the Main Race between the Intake and Thongcaster Road to reduce water losses through seepage.

6.0 Monitoring of Water Quality and Quantity

WIL carry out water quality and quantity monitoring to:

- ✦ Determine the water usage of individual irrigators to assist in determining the efficiency of on farm usage as required by the resource consent and compliance by shareholders with their Water Supply Agreement (including ongoing surveys of farmers water use and efficiency of operation),
- ✦ Determine the impacts that irrigation is having on the environment, particularly groundwater.

This monitoring is discussed in the following sections.

6.1 Monitoring of the Scheme Intake and Distribution System

The monitoring of the intake and water race system by WIL consists of the following measuring and flow control points:

✦ Automatic Flow Monitoring

There are 18 points on the race network where flows are monitored continuously. This includes the flow monitoring point immediately downstream of the sediment ponds which controls the flow taken from the Waimakariri River. The information from these monitoring points is telemetered back to WIL offices. The positions of these flow monitoring devices are shown on Figure 1.

✦ Automatic Flow Control

At the same 18 points where flow monitoring is carried out are flow control devices. These are adjusted remotely from the WIL office or vehicles to control the flow to respective parts of the race network where water is required for irrigation.

✦ Manual Flow Control

There are approximately 50 points on the irrigation races where there are manually adjusted gates. These gates are adjusted to match the flow required by irrigators downstream of the gate.

✦ Manual Flow Gauging

The gauging at each of the 18 flow monitoring sites is checked manually three times per year. The contract to gauge these sites is currently held by NIWA. If required the control mechanism of the automatic devices is altered based on these manual measurements.

The monitoring and flow control systems enable WIL to effectively and efficiently manage the distribution of water required by shareholders throughout the Scheme.

6.2 Monitoring of Groundwater Effects

Groundwater effects may occur due to changes in groundwater levels and groundwater quality.

6.2.1 Monitoring of Groundwater Level Effects

Groundwater level changes resulting from Scheme activities will be caused by changes in groundwater recharge due to irrigation usage and groundwater recharge trials.

WIL will monitor the following water inputs:

- ✦ The flow taken into the Scheme at Browns Rock;
- ✦ The flow used for artificial recharge trials.

This data will provide an indication of the input to the groundwater resource created by the Scheme.

The response of the groundwater system to these new inputs can be observed from measurements of groundwater levels in monitoring bores. Bores that have a historical record of monitoring by ECan will be used to assess Scheme impacts. At the present time, the monitoring network is for the boreholes listed in the following table. Changes may need to be made to this list depending on the availability and suitability of boreholes. If changes to the bore monitoring network are required they will be made with an aim to maintaining the same distribution of monitoring points as listed below.

Borehole Number	Depth (m)
L35/0051	75.9
M34/0306	10.3
M35/0008	14.6
M35/0017	12.9
M35/0026	16.8
M35/0058	11.0
M35/0143	29.0
M35/0174	45.7
M35/0222	13.7
M35/0312	9.1
M35/0637	10.7
M35/4757	21.7

The frequency of water level measurements in these boreholes will be the same as that used by Environment Canterbury to identify seasonal trends in groundwater level fluctuations.

The location of these boreholes is shown on Figure 2.

6.2.2 Monitoring of Groundwater Quality Effects

The main groundwater quality parameters of concern related to irrigation development arise from increased concentrations of nitrate-nitrogen and E. coli concentrations. In addition, there is a contrast in chloride concentrations between existing groundwater quality and Waimakariri River water. Chloride is particularly mobile in the subsurface environment and therefore may prove to be a useful indicator of any effect arising from the application of irrigation water from the Scheme.

Where feasible, the bores that are monitored are those which tie in with ECan's existing monitoring programme for this area. At present, one of the regularly sampled bores (M35/0132) is sampled by ECan.

In order to determine water quality impacts six monthly sampling is carried out prior to, or at the start of, the irrigation season (August-September) and towards the end of the irrigation season (April-May). This monitoring is timed to match the maximum variation with any impacts that may be caused by the Irrigation Scheme.

The groundwater quality sampling is undertaken for nitrate-nitrogen, E. coli, chloride, ammoniacal-N, pH and electrical conductivity.

Bore Number	Sampling Frequency	Depth (m)
L35/0349	Monthly	20.0
M35/0132	Monthly	20.4
M35/0731	Twice a year	21.5
M35/0008	Twice a year	14.6
M35/2711	Twice a year	21.7
M35/4757	Twice a year	21.7
M35/4795	Twice a year	13.8
M35/5440	Twice a year	20.9
M35/5869	Twice a year	20.5
M35/6385	Twice a year	40.2
M35/6639	Twice a year	15.5

The location of these bores is shown in Figure 3.

6.3 Demonstrating the Efficiency of Individual Irrigation Shareholders

Condition 12 of resource consent CRC000585.9 requires that the efficiency of the irrigation on shareholder properties is evaluated at least once every five years.

Previously the efficiency of shareholders was evaluated via a combination of on-farm inspections and email/phone surveys. However, this efficiency assessment is now being included within the Farm Environment Plan (FEP) process. WIL has jointly developed a FEP template with Opuha Water Ltd (OWL) that has been approved by Environment Canterbury.

7.0 Distribution of Educational Material

WIL works closely with Irrigation New Zealand, NIWA, professional consultants and other agencies to obtain information on the operation of efficient irrigation systems. This material is made available to shareholders in the WIL newsletters, workshops, shareholder meetings and briefings by NIWA, consultants and other agencies.

WIL through the new website will facilitate the distribution, to its shareholders, of the bi-monthly Irrigation New Zealand newsletter. The annual report collating the environmental monitoring and water usage of the Scheme required in Resource Consent CRC000585.9 is made available to shareholders.

WIL have worked closely with Biosecurity New Zealand with respect to Didymo in the Scheme. Shareholders and Waimakariri District Council have been briefed regarding risks associated with Didymo in the Scheme. To date, whilst Didymo spores have been found in the river there has been no significant build up of Didymo biomass in the river.

Information regarding consenting requirements for on-farm storage has been presented to shareholders to ensure they are aware of their responsibilities.

8.0 Compliance with Resource Consent Conditions

The following management measures have been implemented to achieve compliance with resource consent conditions. The relevant consent conditions are listed below each management point.

- (a) All works in the river bed shall be undertaken by machinery which, as far as is practicable, will not enter river channels containing flowing water. The contractor undertaking this work will be informed of this requirement. Compliance with consent conditions will form a part of the contract conditions.
 - CRC952566.1 - Condition 1
- (b) ECan must be notified at least two days in advance of any works to disturb the river bed.
 - CRC952566.1 - Condition 2
- (c) Inspections of the fish screen shall be carried out by the Operations Manager at weekly intervals for first 12 months and after any significant flood flows in the Waimakariri River ($>1000 \text{ m}^3/\text{s}$). If the screens become ineffective, WIL will notify ECan and North Canterbury Fish and Game Council within 24 hours and will commence remedial measures on the fish screen. The frequency of fish screen inspections will be reviewed after the first 12 months of operations.
 - CRC952568.1 - Condition 8
 - CRC000585.9 - Condition 8
- (e) The intake gates will be controlled by the Operations Manager based on information provided by ECan regarding water sharing rules.
 - CRC000585.9 - Conditions 4-7
- (f) Groundwater recharge will be undertaken following checks on groundwater levels in bores M35/0028, M35/0008, M35/0058, and M35/0193. The results of this monitoring will determine times when groundwater enhancement can be carried out.
 - CRC952571.1 - Condition 2
- (g) Sampling of discharge water entering the Eyre River for the purposes of groundwater recharge shall be analysed at monthly intervals for sediment concentrations, nitrate-nitrogen and faecal coliforms. Samples will be collected from the water race channel prior to entry in to the river bed.
 - CRC952571.1 - Conditions 4 and 5
- (h) Monitoring of groundwater levels, groundwater quality, and liaison with landowners will be undertaken as part of the Eyre River recharge trials.

Monitoring in the receiving environment is described in Section 8.0 of this plan.

Liaison with land owners will be undertaken through the preparation of a report on the recharge trials which will be distributed to all property owners who are affected by the recharge. These property owners will be asked to provide comments on the report. Depending on the level of interest, a public meeting may be held to facilitate this liaison.

- CRC952571. Conditions 6 and 7

- (i) An annual monitoring report will be provided to ECan by July 31st each year providing the following details:

- ✧ Results from monitoring groundwater levels and groundwater quality;
- ✧ The hours and rate at which water is taken from the Waimakariri River;
- ✧ Results from sampling in Waimakariri River at times of sediment pond discharge;
- ✧ The hours and rate at which water is discharged to the Eyre River for aquifer recharge purposes;
- ✧ Recommendations for future monitoring.

- CRC000585.9 - Condition 9

- CRC952571.1 - Conditions 3, 5, 6

- The annual review conditions on all consents

- (i) An annual report shall be prepared which collates the shareholder survey information, along with an estimate of total water usage consistent with the requirements of resource consent CRC000585.9. Rainfall and evapotranspiration records for the irrigation season will be compared to longer term records to determine the significance of the surveyed season compared to peak demand requirements. River flow records will also be compared with longer term records to evaluate the significance of the water flow restrictions for the year. An estimation of annual water usage will be prepared based on information from surveyed farms. Where possible this estimate shall be calibrated with actual usage (as determined from properties with flow meters). This shall be prorated across the entire Scheme to provide an estimate of the annual volume of water used. Based on the comparison of the rainfall and ET data for each year, with regional averages, the relationship of the season to dry years shall be determined. From this the typical maximum volume will be calculated.

The annual report shall be prepared at the end of the irrigation season for presentation to Environment Canterbury by 30 June each year. In addition to information about the water usage the management plan will also be updated to include any initiatives WIL has incorporated into the management of the Scheme in the past year.

- CRC000585.9 - Conditions 12 and 13

9.0 Measures to be Implemented Following Non-Compliance with Conditions Dealing with Discharges and Fish Screen

It is not envisaged that any non-compliance with consent conditions will occur.

WIL will implement the following measures should any non-compliance with conditions occur:

- (1) Take immediate preventative or remedial measures to avoid adverse effects, in accordance with Section 330 of the RMA;
- (2) Take action to restore a situation where compliance continues to occur.

10.0 Mitigation of Effects on the Groundwater Environment

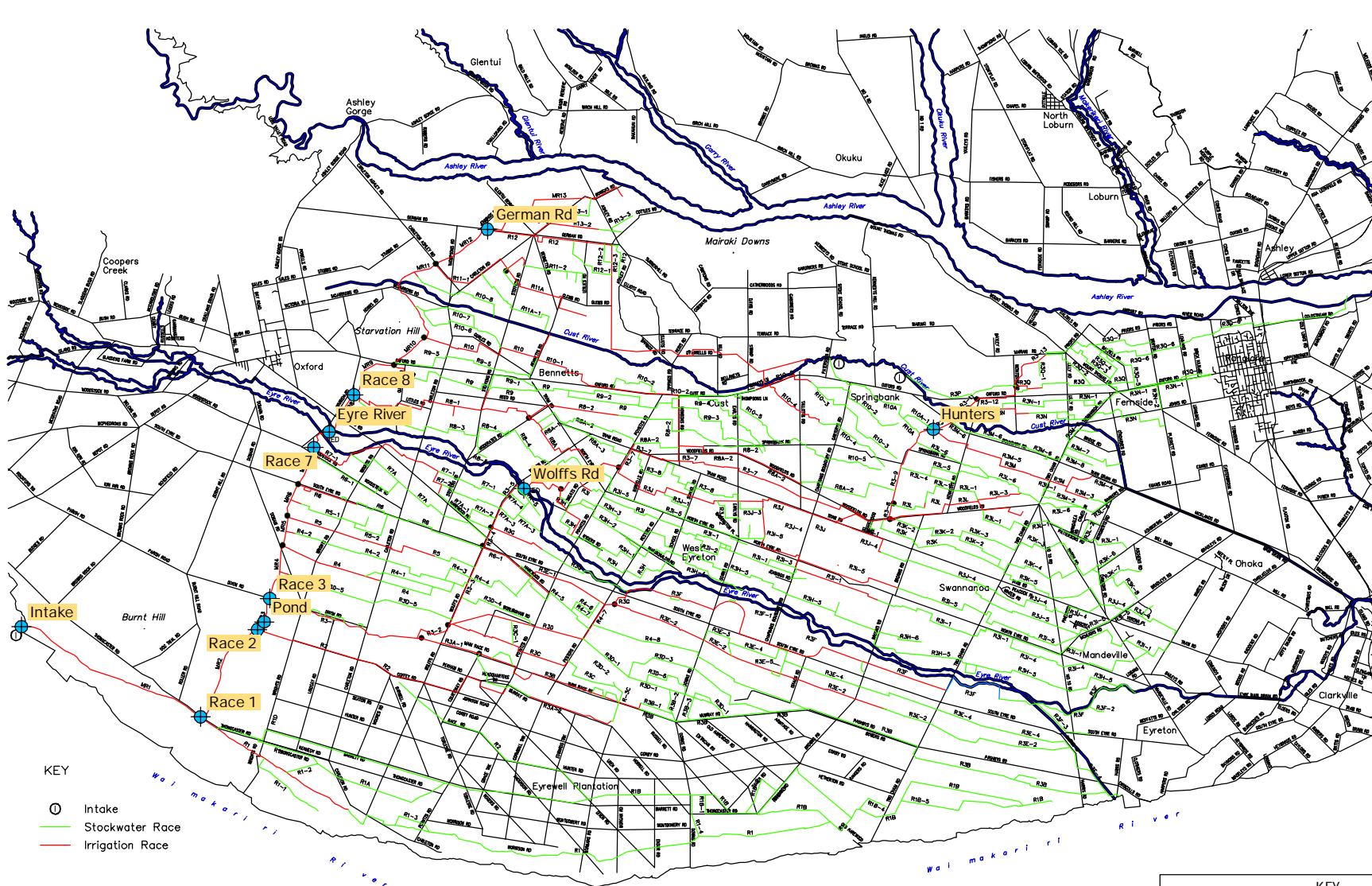
Any effects on groundwater arising from the scheme activities are expected to relate to groundwater levels, groundwater quality and surface water quality. Should any adverse effects arise in these areas the first step would involve an investigation as to the cause of the adverse effect and whether or not it is related to Irrigation Scheme activities.

If it is related to Scheme activities then the following mitigation measures can be considered:

- ✦ Raised groundwater levels causing drainage problems
 - identify and rectify any water usage practices which are causing excessive groundwater seepage
 - modify aquifer recharge practices
 - discuss drainage network operations with WDC to see if works can be effectively implemented to intercept high water tables
- ✦ Deteriorating groundwater quality
 - consider modifications to water usage practices
 - modify aquifer recharge practices
 - promote and encourage efficient fertiliser applications and other farming practices which avoid adverse groundwater quality effects
 - discuss with WDC the options for alternative water supply sources
- ✦ Deteriorating surface water quality
 - identify causes and eliminated sources of poor water quality
 - implement further treatment measures prior to discharge

Appendix A

Figures



KEY

- Intake
- Stockwater Race
- Irrigation Race

KEY



Flow Control Points

APPROX. SCALE 1:200000 (A4)

Source: Waimakariri District Council

Figure 1 : IRRIGATION AND STOCKWATER RACE NETWORK (showing location of flow monitoring & control gates)

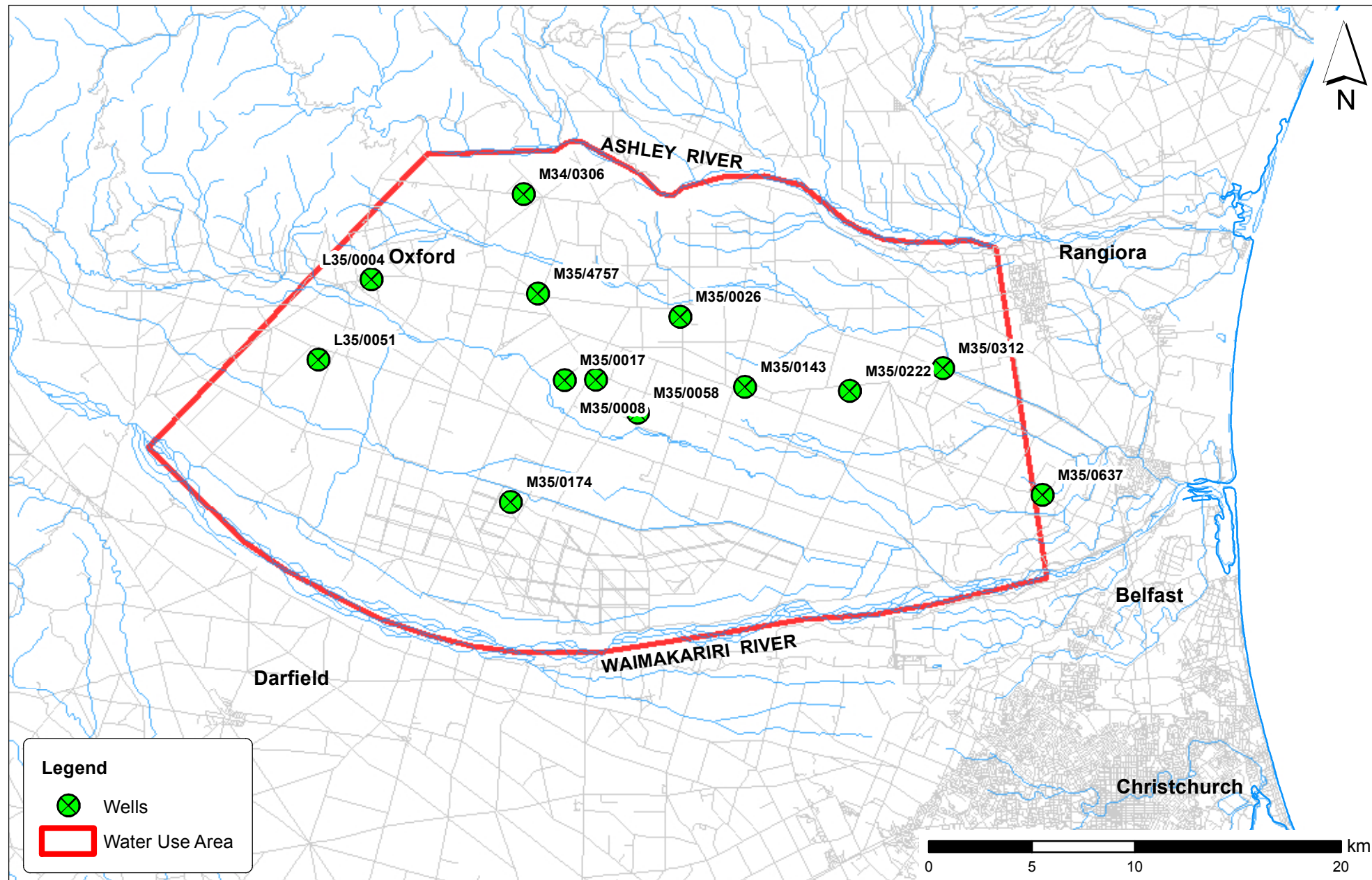


Figure 2: Wells used to Monitor Water Levels within the Waimakariri Irrigation Scheme

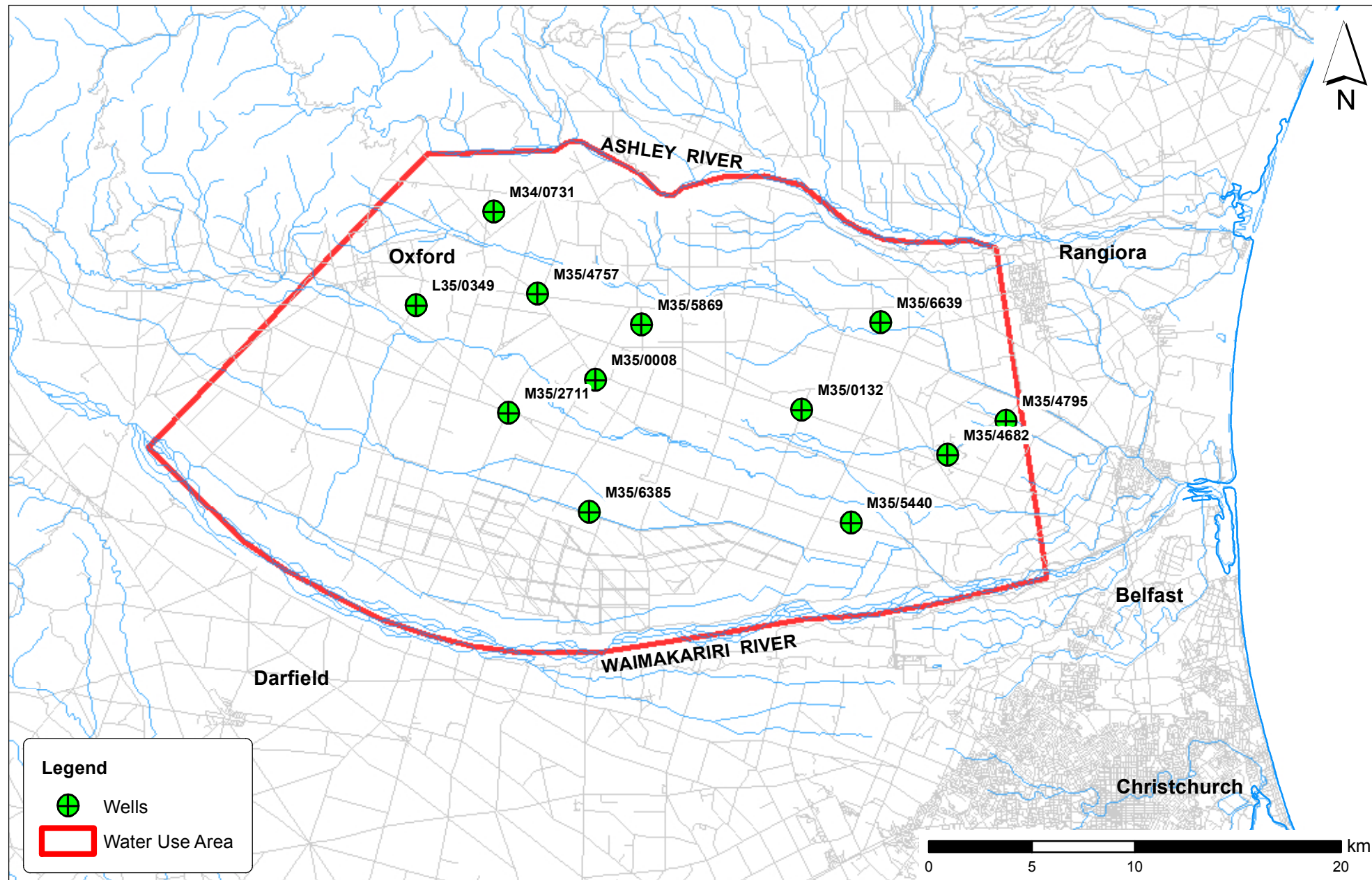


Figure 3: Wells used to Monitor Water Quality within the Waimakariri Irrigation Scheme

Appendix B

Resource Consents

RecordNo CRC000585.9

Consent Summary

Type Consent
Source Review Conds

PermitType Water Permit

FileNo CO6C/16313



ClientID 13912

ClientName Waimakariri Irrigation Limited

To To take and use water.

Location WIS main & distribution races bounded by m/f L35:350-580 M35:730-520 & M34:520-7, WAIMAKARIRI DISTRICT

Status Current

Events 01/Oct/1999 Given Effect To
20/Nov/1999 Lapse Date if not Given Effect To
06/May/2010 Notice of Review takes effect
18/Nov/2031 Consent Expires

Subject to the following conditions:

- 1) Before any works are commenced under these consents the consent holder shall prepare and submit to the Canterbury Regional Council for approval a management plan for the construction and operation of the scheme and for the monitoring of any environmental effects arising from the scheme. The plan should give particular attention to the details of how:
 - (a) The stock water supply is to be managed.
 - (b) The irrigation component of the scheme is to be managed so the objective of using water efficiently is met.
 - (c) The ground water recharge trials are to be conducted and evaluated.
 - (d) The monitoring for groundwater levels and groundwater quality changes is to be accomplished;
 - (e) The conditions imposed on these consents and on the land use consent granted for the scheme by the Waimakariri District Council are to be met.
 - (f) Any failures to meet conditions on water and sediment discharges and on the exclusion of fish from the race system are to be remedied.
 - (g) The effects of envisaged land use changes of the hydrological environment are to be remedied or mitigated. In August each year the consent holder and the Canterbury Regional Council shall jointly review and, if appropriate, amend the management plan for the ensuing year. The Canterbury Regional Council may invite submissions from interested parties as part of the review process. The consent holder shall at all times implement the provisions of the management plan except to the extent that these provisions or any of them are inconsistent with the conditions of this consent.
- 2) The lapsing period of section 125(1) RMA shall be three years.
- 3) Subject to Condition (6) below, up to 10.5 cubic metres per second of water may be taken for irrigation and storage, including up to 1.5 cubic metres per second of water for augmentation of groundwater surrounding the Eyre River.
- 4) The total volume used for storage shall not exceed 57,100,100 cubic metres during any 12 months period.
- 5) DELETED.

- 6) Whenever the unmodified flow in the Waimakariri River, as estimated by the Canterbury Regional Council from measurements at the Old Highway Bridge, at or about map reference NZMS 260 M35:818-547, for any 24 hour period ending at noon is:
- (a) Either:
- (i) 63,000 litres per second or greater; or
- (ii) equal to or greater than the sum of 41,000 litres per second plus the total abstractions authorised by permits which come within the category of "A" permits as defined by the Waimakariri River Regional Plan; or
- (iii) greater than 41,000 litres per second and less than 63,000 litres per second and all water permit holders who are subject to same minimum flow restriction as is set out in (c), are adhering to a water sharing regime that restricts the total rate of abstraction from the Waimakariri River whenever the flow is at or above 41,000 litres per second; then the maximum rate of abstraction, during the next 24 hours, shall not exceed 10,500 litres per second.
- (b) greater than 41,000 litres per second and less than 63,000 litres per second, except where (a) (ii) or (iii) applies, the maximum rate of take during the next 24 hours shall be equal to the rate shown on the vertical axis on the attached graph that corresponds to that flow on the horizontal axis, by reference to the diagonal line.
- (c) at or less than 41,000 litres per second, no water shall be taken during the next 24 hours.
- 7) The consent holder shall within two years of the commencement of this consent:
- (a) Install a water level measuring device in a location that will enable the determination of the continuous rate of flow and volume of water being taken to within an accuracy of 10 percent.
- (b) The measuring device shall, as far as is practicable, be installed at a site likely to retain a stable relationship between flow and water level. The measuring device shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
- (c) The flow at the measuring site shall be gauged at least every twelve months whilst the consent is being exercised, and at any other time when required (for example, after flood events) as determined by a site inspection. Site inspections are to be carried out by the race operator at least once every month.
- (d) Gauging and site inspections shall be carried out in accordance with the following manuals: Hydrologists Field Manual (NIWA 1991) and Procedure for Rating a Flow Situation (NIWA 1993) or equivalent publication.
- (e) The level of water in the race, and times of abstraction, shall be recorded by tamper-proof electronic recording system such that the flow through the site is measured at least once every 15 minutes, and a record made either on site or at a remote location via telemetry of the total flow volume passing through the site in time increments not exceeding 60 minutes. The recorded data shall not be changed or deleted by any person, unless twelve months have passed since the date of recording.
- (f) The measuring and recording devices described in clauses (a) and (e) shall be available for inspection at all times by the Canterbury Regional Council subject to providing adequate protection against vandalism which may require the consent holder's assistance on site to unlock or remove barriers.
- (g) All data from the recording device described in clause (e), and the corresponding relationship between the water level and flow, shall be provided to the Canterbury Regional Council on request.
- (h) Within one month of the commencement of this consent, at two-yearly intervals thereafter, and at any other time when requested by Canterbury Regional Council, the consent holder shall calibrate the measuring device and provide to Canterbury Regional Council:
- (i) A certificate signed by a suitably qualified person certifying the current accuracy of the measuring and recording devices, and also certifying that the recording device described in clause (e) can be readily accessed in accordance with clause (f); and
- (ii) Supporting information containing details of the calibration test.
- (i) The recording system in (e) shall:
- (i) Be set to wrap the data from the measuring device(s) such that the oldest data will be automatically overwritten by the newest data (i.e. cyclic recording); or
- (ii) Store the entire season's data in each 12 month period from 1 July to 30 June in the following year, which the consent holder shall then download and store in a commonly used format and provide to the Canterbury Regional Council upon request in a form and to a standard specified in writing by the Canterbury Regional Council; or
- (iii) Be part of the consent holder's SCADA system which stores and forwards data on a quasi-continuous basis to the consent holder's base station where it is stored in an industry-standard database, and can be provided in a commonly accepted format to the Canterbury Regional Council upon request in a form and to a standard specified in writing by the Canterbury Regional Council; or
- (iv) Be connected to a telemetry system which collects and stores all of the data continuously with an independent network provider who will make that data available in a commonly used format at all times to the Canterbury Regional Council and the consent holder. No data in the recording device(s) shall be deliberately changed or deleted.
- (v) The measurement and recording system(s) shall be installed and maintained throughout the duration of the consent in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions.
- (vi) All practicable measures shall be taken to ensure that the flow measurement and recording system(s) are fully functional at all times.
- (vii) Within one month of the installation of the measuring or recording device(s) or any subsequent replacement of the measuring or recording device(s), and at five-yearly intervals thereafter, and at any time when requested by the Canterbury Regional Council, the consent holder shall provide a certificate to the Canterbury Regional Council, Attention: RMA Compliance and Enforcement Manager, signed by a suitably qualified person certifying that the measuring and recording system(s) have been installed in accordance with the manufacturer's specification.

- 8) In the event that the fish screens at the intake become ineffective, either through damage from any cause or through the need for maintenance, the taking of water under this consent shall cease until the screens' effectiveness has been satisfactorily restored. The consent holder shall within 24 hours of the screens' becoming ineffective notify the Canterbury Regional Council and the North Canterbury Fish and Game Council of the situation and of the remedial measures including fish salvage to be implemented.
- 9) (a) Representative samples of groundwater shall be taken:
 (i) during August-September and April-May each year from each of the monitoring bores identified for the monitoring of Groundwater Quality effects in the management plan referred to in Condition (1);
 (ii) monthly from three bores identified for monitoring of Groundwater in the management plan. One of these bores to be located up-gradient in terms of the direction of groundwater flow, of the area covered by the irrigation scheme, one bore to be located down-gradient the area of the irrigation scheme and one bore to be centrally located within the area of the scheme; and
 (iii) all samples shall be analysed for nitrate-nitrogen, ammonia-nitrogen, conductivity, pH and e-coli bacteria by a laboratory accredited to NZS/ISO/IEC Guide 17025 or equivalent, defined by and accreditation body recognised as operating to ISO/IEC Guide 58 for those analysis; and
 (iv) an annual report providing a summary of the results of the analyses of all samples taken shall be provided to the Canterbury Regional Council by no later than 30 June.
 (a) Water level measurements shall be taken at least monthly from each of the bores identified for the monitoring of Groundwater Level effects in the management plan referred to in Condition (1) and an annual report setting out the levels and showing the mean level shall be provided to the Canterbury Regional Council by no later than 30 June.
 (b) The consent holder may, on any working day during June in 2008 or any working day in June in any year thereafter, apply to the Canterbury Regional Council under Section 127(1) of the Resource Management Act 1991 to change or cancel Conditions (9)(a) or (9)(b) of this consent.
- 10) Charges, set in accordance with section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991, shall be paid to the Regional Council for the carrying out of its functions in relation to the administration, monitoring and supervision of resource consents and for the carrying out of its functions under section 35 of the Act.
- 11) The Canterbury Regional Council may, on the last working day of July each year, serve notice of its intention to review the conditions of this consent for the purposes of:
 (a) Dealing with any adverse effect on the environment which may arise from the exercise of the consent; or
 (b) Complying with the requirements of a regional plan.
- 12) By 1 July 2007 the consent holder shall submit a Water Use Management Plan (the Plan) to the Canterbury Regional Council, Attention: RMA Compliance and Enforcement Manager. The purpose of this plan will be to promote the reasonable and efficient use of water within the Waimakariri Irrigation Scheme (the Scheme) as a whole, as well as on individual shareholder properties within the scheme. The plan will describe:
 (a) The operation and monitoring of the Scheme, storage and intakes from the Waimakariri River and the distribution of water to the shareholders properties.
 (b) The monitoring of water supplied to individual shareholders.
 (i) A programme of evaluation of the operation of individual shareholder on-farm operations including:
 (ii) the area irrigated;
 (iii) the Profile Available Water of the soils that occur on the property;
 (iv) quantification of local rainfall and evapotranspiration;
 (v) a description of the irrigation system, its pumping rate and return period;
 (vi) a demonstration that the irrigation system achieves the following objectives:
 1. That the volume of water used for irrigation does not exceed that required for the soil to reach field capacity; and
 2. Avoid leakage from pipes and structures; and
 3. Avoid the use of water onto non-productive land such as impermeable surfaces and river or stream riparian strips.
 This programme of evaluation shall be established so that shareholder properties are evaluated at least once every five years.
 For the avoidance of doubt, the completion of the on-farm survey shall be subject to land owner permission and the consent holder shall use all reasonable endeavours to obtain such permission.
 (c) The distribution of educational material on efficient irrigation practices to all shareholders.
 (d) An annual reporting programme to the Canterbury Regional Council, Attention: RMA Compliance and Enforcement Manager, to describe the results of implementing the Plan over the preceding 12 months.
- 13) (a) The results arising from the implementation of the Plan required in accordance with Condition (12) shall be used to develop a maximum annual volume for the use of water.
 (b) A current estimate of the maximum annual volume shall be included in the report on the Plan that is provided to the Canterbury Regional Council, Attention: RMA Compliance and Enforcement Manager, by the 30 June each year. That estimate shall be based on all the monitoring data that has been gathered up to the time that the report is produced.

RecordNo CRC952566.1

Consent Summary

Type Consent
Source Full Transfer

PermitType Land Use Consent

FileNo CO6C/09138



ClientID 13912

ClientName Waimakariri Irrigation Limited

To to disturb the bed of the Waimakariri River at or about map reference L35:355-586 to create a diversion of water to the water intakes of a water management scheme.

Location Waimakariri Ashley Water Management Scheme, WAIMAKARIRI DISTRICT

Status Current

Events 08/Oct/1999 < Consent Transferred
19/Nov/1999 Given Effect To
20/Nov/1999 Lapse Date if not Given Effect To
18/Nov/2031 Consent Expires

Subject to the following conditions:

- 1) The consents granted by this decision shall not be operated concurrently with the notified use NCY720289 held by Waimakariri District Council to take 1.5 cubic metres per second for stockwater from the Waimakariri River at Browns Rock.
- 2) Before any works are commenced under these consents the consent holder shall prepare and submit to the Canterbury Regional Council for approval a management plan for the construction and operation of the scheme and for the monitoring of any environmental effects arising from the scheme. The plan should give particular attention to the details of how:(i) the stockwater supply is to be managed;(ii) the irrigation component of the scheme is to be managed so the objective of using water efficiently is met;(iii) the ground water recharge trials are to be conducted and evaluated;(iv) the monitoring for groundwater levels and groundwater quality changes is to be accomplished;(v) the conditions imposed on these consents and on the land use consent granted for the scheme by the Waimakariri District Council are to be met;(vi) any failures to meet conditions on water and sediment discharges and on the exclusion of fish from the race system are to be remedied;(vii) the effects of envisaged land use changes of the hydrological environment are to be remedied or mitigated. In August each year the consent holder and the Canterbury Regional Council shall jointly review and, if appropriate, amend the management plan for the ensuing year. The Canterbury Regional Council may invite submissions from interested parties as part of the review process.
- 3) The lapsing period of section 125(1) RMA shall be three years.
- 4) Vehicles and machinery shall, as far as is practicable, not enter river channels containing flowing water.
- 5) The Canterbury Regional Council shall be notified of the date or dates upon which activities authorised by this consent are to be commenced at least two working days prior to such date or dates.
- 6) Charges, set in accordance with section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991, shall be paid to the Regional Council for the carrying out of its functions in relation to the administration, monitoring and supervision of resource consents and for the carrying out of its functions under section 35 of the Act.

RecordNo CRC952567.1

Consent Summary

Type Consent
Souce Full Transfer

PermitType Water Permit

FileNo CO6C/09134



ClientID 13912

ClientName Waimakariri Irrigation Limited

To to divert part of the flow of the Waimakariri River at or about map reference L35:355-586 to maintain river flow at the water intakes of a water management scheme.

Location Waimakariri Ashley Water Management Scheme, WAIMAKARIRI DISTRICT

Status Current

Events 08/Oct/1999 < Consent Transferred
19/Nov/1999 Given Effect To
20/Nov/1999 Lapse Date if not Given Effect To
18/Nov/2031 Consent Expires

Subject to the following conditions:

- 1) The consents granted by this decision shall not be operated concurrently with the notified use NCY720289 held by Waimakariri District Council to take 1.5 cubic metres per second for stockwater from the Waimakariri River at Browns Rock.
- 2) Before any works are commenced under these consents the consent holder shall prepare and submit to the Canterbury Regional Council for approval a management plan for the construction and operation of the scheme and for the monitoring of any environmental effects arising from the scheme. The plan should give particular attention to the details of how:(i) the stockwater supply is to be managed;(ii) the irrigation component of the scheme is to be managed so the objective of using water efficiently is met;(iii) the ground water recharge trials are to be conducted and evaluated;(iv) the monitoring for groundwater levels and groundwater quality changes is to be accomplished;(v) the conditions imposed on these consents and on the land use consent granted for the scheme by the Waimakariri District Council are to be met;(vi) any failures to meet conditions on water and sediment discharges and on the exclusion of fish from the race system are to be remedied;(vii) the effects of envisaged land use changes of the hydrological environment are to be remedied or mitigated. In August each year the consent holder and the Canterbury Regional Council shall jointly review and, if appropriate, amend the management plan for the ensuing year. The Canterbury Regional Council may invite submissions from interested parties as part of the review process.
- 3) The lapsing period of section 125(1) RMA shall be three years.
- 4) Charges, set in accordance with section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991, shall be paid to the Regional Council for the carrying out of its functions in relation to the administration, monitoring and supervision of resource consents and for the carrying out of its functions under section 35 of the Act.

Type Consent
Souce Full Transfer

PermitType Land Use Consent

FileNo CO6C/16313



ClientID 13912

ClientName Waimakariri Irrigation Limited

To to construct and use a proposed water intake structure and alter an existing water intake structure in the bed of the Waimakariri River at Browns Rock at or about map reference L35:360-584 to provide water for a water management scheme.

Location Waimakariri Ashley Water Management Scheme, WAIMAKARIRI DISTRICT

Status Current

Events 08/Oct/1999 < Consent Transferred
19/Nov/1999 Given Effect To
20/Nov/1999 Lapse Date if not Given Effect To
18/Nov/2031 Consent Expires

Subject to the following conditions:

- 1) The consents granted by this decision shall not be operated concurrently with the notified use NCY720289 held by Waimakariri District Council to take 1.5 cubic metres per second for stockwater from the Waimakariri River at Browns Rock.
- 2) Before any works are commenced under these consents the consent holder shall prepare and submit to the Canterbury Regional Council for approval a management plan for the construction and operation of the scheme and for the monitoring of any environmental effects arising from the scheme. The plan should give particular attention to the details of how:(i) the stockwater supply is to be managed;(ii) the irrigation component of the scheme is to be managed so the objective of using water efficiently is met;(iii) the ground water recharge trials are to be conducted and evaluated;(iv) the monitoring for groundwater levels and groundwater quality changes is to be accomplished;(v) the conditions imposed on these consents and on the land use consent granted for the scheme by the Waimakariri District Council are to be met;(vi) any failures to meet conditions on water and sediment discharges and on the exclusion of fish from the race system are to be remedied;(vii) the effects of envisaged land use changes of the hydrological environment are to be remedied or mitigated. In August each year the consent holder and the Canterbury Regional Council shall jointly review and, if appropriate, amend the management plan for the ensuing year. The Canterbury Regional Council may invite submissions from interested parties as part of the review process.
- 3) The lapsing period of section 125(1) RMA shall be three years.
- 4) The design, construction and operation of the intake structure shall be in general accordance with the principles as presented in evidence to the hearing and as contained in the "WAWMS Technical Report" and in the "Report on Main Race Operation for the Waimakariri Ashley Water Management Scheme" provided to the Canterbury Regional Council in support of this application. In particular a fish screen and bypass system shall form part of the intake.
- 5) The consent holder shall provide a certificate, signed by a registered engineer, to the Canterbury Regional Council stating that the intake and associated structures including fish screen and fish bypass, the settling ponds and the sediment discharge chute have been designed in accordance with accepted civil engineering practice and are such as to meet the conditions of this consent.
- 6) The consent holder shall inform the Canterbury Regional Council one week in advance of the intended commencement of construction activities.
- 7) The works referred to in Condition (4) above shall be implemented under the supervision of persons with appropriate experience in the supervision of civil engineering construction works.

- 8) Any works in the river bed and any works on the river bank that may increase sediment concentrations in the river may only be undertaken in the months of July and August. All practicable steps to minimise input of sediment to the river shall be taken during construction of any temporary diversion structures and during the main construction works.
- 9) On completion of the construction work the consent holder shall supply to the Canterbury Regional council a certificate signed by a registered engineer stating that the intake and all associated structures have been constructed in accordance with the design referred to in Condition (5) above. The certificate shall be submitted together with a complete set of "As Built" plans certified as such by the registered engineer.
- 10) The consent holder shall be responsible for the structural integrity and maintenance of all works associated with the exercise of this consent and for any erosion control works that become necessary as a consequence of the exercise of this consent.
- 11) The consent holder shall ensure the fish screens and fish bypass operate effectively at all times when water is being taken so that fish attracted to the intake are returned to an active braid of the river.
- 12) The Canterbury Regional Council may annually, on the last working day of July each year, serve notice of its intention to review the conditions of this consent for the purposes of:(a) dealing with any adverse effect on the environment which may arise from the exercise of the consent; or(b) complying with the requirements of a regional plan.
- 13) Charges, set in accordance with section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991, shall be paid to the Regional Council for the carrying out of its functions in relation to the administration, monitoring and supervision of resource consents and for the carrying out of its functions under section 35 of the Act.

RecordNo CRC952571.1

Consent Summary

Type Consent
Source Full Transfer

PermitType Discharge Permit

FileNo CO6C/09136



ClientID 13912

ClientName Waimakariri Irrigation Limited

To to discharge water into groundwater in the bed of the Eyre River at a rate of up to 3.0 cubic metres per second at any point between map references L35:463-651 and M35:643-577 to augment the surrounding groundwater resource.

Location Waimakariri Ashley Water Management Scheme, WAIMAKARIRI DISTRICT

Status Current

Events 08/Oct/1999 < Consent Transferred
19/Nov/1999 Given Effect To
20/Nov/1999 Lapse Date if not Given Effect To
18/Nov/2031 Consent Expires

Subject to the following conditions:

- 1) The consents granted by this decision shall not be operated concurrently with the notified use NCY720289 held by Waimakariri District Council to take 1.5 cubic metres per second for stockwater from the Waimakariri River at Browns Rock.
- 2) Before any works are commenced under these consents the consent holder shall prepare and submit to the Canterbury Regional Council for approval a management plan for the construction and operation of the scheme and for the monitoring of any environmental effects arising from the scheme. The plan should give particular attention to the details of how: (i) the stockwater supply is to be managed; (ii) the irrigation component of the scheme is to be managed so the objective of using water efficiently is met; (iii) the ground water recharge trials are to be conducted and evaluated; (iv) the monitoring for groundwater levels and groundwater quality changes is to be accomplished; (v) the conditions imposed on these consents and on the land use consent granted for the scheme by the Waimakariri District Council are to be met; (vi) any failures to meet conditions on water and sediment discharges and on the exclusion of fish from the race system are to be remedied; (vii) the effects of envisaged land use changes of the hydrological environment are to be remedied or mitigated. In August each year the consent holder and the Canterbury Regional Council shall jointly review and, if appropriate, amend the management plan for the ensuing year. The Canterbury Regional Council may invite submissions from interested parties as part of the review process.
- 3) The lapsing period of section 125(1) RMA shall be three years.
- 4) The discharge shall only take place during the months of August to May inclusive.
- 5) A discharge in excess of 0.5 cubic metres per second shall only take place in the stretch of river bed specified below when the water levels in the listed bores are lower than the levels shown: Bore Water level (metres) Stretch of River Bed to be recharged below CRC measuring point
M35/0028 8 Main race to Steffens Road
M35/0008 3 Steffens Road to Downs Road
M35/0058 4 Steffens Road to Downs Road
M35/0193 4 Downs Road to Browns Road
- 6) The hours and rate at which water is discharged shall be measured and recorded daily in a log kept for that purpose and a copy of the log provided to the Canterbury Regional Council by 30 June each year.
- 7) The suspended sediment concentration of the discharge water shall not exceed 50 grams per cubic metre.
- 8) A representative sample of the discharge water shall be taken at each discharge point when any discharge commences and thereafter monthly until the discharge ceases. The samples shall be analysed by a TELARC (or similar) registered laboratory for sediment concentration, nitrate - nitrogen and faecal coliforms. The results of these analyses shall be forwarded to the Canterbury Regional Council by 30 June each year or on request.

- 9) The consent holder shall as part of the Management Plan required under the General Conditions attached to the consents granted by the Canterbury Regional Council repair and carry out a programme to monitor ground water level changes and any changes in ground water quality associated with the recharge trials. The programme shall include but not be limited to recording levels in and taking samples from the following bores, M35/0028, M35/0008, M35/0058, M35/0193, L35/0059, M35/0017 and M35/0205. The water samples shall be analysed by a TELARC (or similar) registered laboratory for nitrate-nitrogen and faecal coliforms. The results of these analyses shall be forwarded to the Canterbury Regional Council by June 30 each year or upon request by the Council.
- 10) The consent holder shall consult with landowners and groundwater users who may be affected by the exercise of this consent and shall present to them the results of any field trials. Based on these consultations the consent holder shall prepare a groundwater recharge management plan detailing how any future long term recharge could be carried out. The plan shall include details of all monitoring proposed to determine environmental effects resulting from the recharge.
- 11) The groundwater recharge management plan shall be presented to the Canterbury Regional Council prior to the expiry of this consent.
- 12) The Canterbury Regional Council may annually, on the last working day of July each year, serve notice of its intention to review the conditions of this consent for the purposes of:(a) dealing with any adverse effect on the environment which may arise from the exercise of the consent; or(b) complying with the requirements of a regional plan.
- 13) Charges, set in accordance with section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991, shall be paid to the Regional Council for the carrying out of its functions in relation to the administration, monitoring and supervision of resource consents and for the carrying out of its functions under section 35 of the Act.

RecordNo CRC952572.1

Consent Summary

Type Consent
Source Full Transfer

PermitType Land Use Consent

FileNo CO6C/09144



ClientID 13912

ClientName Waimakariri Irrigation Limited

To to construct and use a water discharge structure in the bed of the Cust River at or about map reference L35:468-698 to discharge water into the Cust River.

Location Waimakariri Ashley Water Management Scheme, WAIMAKARIRI DISTRICT

Status Current

Events 08/Oct/1999 < Consent Transferred
19/Nov/1999 Given Effect To
20/Nov/1999 Lapse Date if not Given Effect To
18/Nov/2031 Consent Expires

Subject to the following conditions:

- 1) The consents granted by this decision shall not be operated concurrently with the notified use NCY720289 held by Waimakariri District Council to take 1.5 cubic metres per second for stockwater from the Waimakariri River at Browns Rock.
- 2) Before any works are commenced under these consents the consent holder shall prepare and submit to the Canterbury Regional Council for approval a management plan for the construction and operation of the scheme and for the monitoring of any environmental effects arising from the scheme. The plan should give particular attention to the details of how:(i) the stockwater supply is to be managed;(ii) the irrigation component of the scheme is to be managed so the objective of using water efficiently is met;(iii) the ground water recharge trials are to be conducted and evaluated;(iv) the monitoring for groundwater levels and groundwater quality changes is to be accomplished;(v) the conditions imposed on these consents and on the land use consent granted for the scheme by the Waimakariri District Council are to be met;(vi) any failures to meet conditions on water and sediment discharges and on the exclusion of fish from the race system are to be remedied;(vii) the effects of envisaged land use changes of the hydrological environment are to be remedied or mitigated. In August each year the consent holder and the Canterbury Regional Council shall jointly review and, if appropriate, amend the management plan for the ensuing year. The Canterbury Regional Council may invite submissions from interested parties as part of the review process.
- 3) The lapsing period of section 125(1) RMA shall be three years.
- 4) The design, construction and operation of the discharge structure shall be in general accordance with the principles as presented in evidence to the hearing and as contained in the "WAWMS Technical Report" and in the "Report on Main Race Operation for the Waimakariri Ashley Water Management Scheme" provided to the Canterbury Regional Council in support of this application.
- 5) The consent holder shall provide a certificate, signed by a registered engineer, to the Canterbury Regional Council stating that the discharge structure has been designed in accordance with accepted civil engineering practice and is such as to meet the conditions of this consent.
- 6) The consent holder shall inform the Canterbury Regional Council one week in advance of the intended commencement of construction activities.
- 7) The works referred to in Condition (4) above shall be implemented under the supervision of persons with appropriate experience in the supervision of civil engineering construction works.
- 8) All practicable steps must be taken to minimise the input of sediment to the river during construction.

- 9) On completion of construction work the consent holder shall supply to the Canterbury Regional Council a certificate signed by a registered engineer stating that the discharge structure has been constructed in accordance with the design referred to in Condition (5) above. The certificate shall be submitted together with a complete set of "As Built" plans certified as such by the registered engineer.
- 10) The cosnent holder shall be responsible for the structural integrity and maintenance of all works associated with the exercise of this consent and for any erosion control works that become necessary as a consequence of the exercise of this consent.
- 11) The Canterbury Regional Council may annually, on the last working day of July each year, serve notice of its intention to review the conditions of this consent for the purposes of:(a) dealing with any adverse effect on the environment which may arise from the exercise of the consent; or(b) complying with the requirements of a regional plan.
- 12) Charges, set in accordance with section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991, shall be paid to the Regional Council for the carrying out of its functions in relation to the administration, monitoring and supervision of resource consents and for the carrying out of its functions under section 35 of the Act.

Type Consent
Source Full Transfer

PermitType Land Use Consent

FileNo CO6C/09145



ClientID 13912

ClientName Waimakariri Irrigation Limited

To to construct and use a water discharge structure in the Cust Main Drain at or about map reference M35:726 -640 to discharge water into the Cust Main Drain.

Location Waimakariri Ashley Water Management Scheme, WAIMAKARIRI DISTRICT

Status Current

Events 08/Oct/1999 < Consent Transferred
19/Nov/1999 Given Effect To
20/Nov/1999 Lapse Date if not Given Effect To
18/Nov/2031 Consent Expires

Subject to the following conditions:

- 1) The consents granted by this decision shall not be operated concurrently with the notified use NCY720289 held by Waimakariri District Council to take 1.5 cubic metres per second for stockwater from the Waimakariri River at Browns Rock.
- 2) Before any works are commenced under these consents the consent holder shall prepare and submit to the Canterbury Regional Council for approval a management plan for the construction and operation of the scheme and for the monitoring of any environmental effects arising from the scheme. The plan should give particular attention to the details of how: (i) the stockwater supply is to be managed; (ii) the irrigation component of the scheme is to be managed so the objective of using water efficiently is met; (iii) the ground water recharge trials are to be conducted and evaluated; (iv) the monitoring for groundwater levels and groundwater quality changes is to be accomplished; (v) the conditions imposed on these consents and on the land use consent granted for the scheme by the Waimakariri District Council are to be met; (vi) any failures to meet conditions on water and sediment discharges and on the exclusion of fish from the race system are to be remedied; (vii) the effects of envisaged land use changes of the hydrological environment are to be remedied or mitigated. In August each year the consent holder and the Canterbury Regional Council shall jointly review and, if appropriate, amend the management plan for the ensuing year. The Canterbury Regional Council may invite submissions from interested parties as part of the review process.
- 3) The lapsing period of section 125(1) RMA shall be three years.
- 4) The design, construction and operation of the discharge structure shall be in general accordance with the principles as presented in evidence to the hearing and as contained in the "WAWMS Technical Report" and in the "Report on Main Race Operation for the Waimakariri Ashley Water Management Scheme" provided to the Canterbury Regional Council in support of this application.
- 5) The consent holder shall provide a certificate, signed by a registered engineer, to the Canterbury Regional Council stating that the discharge structure has been designed in accordance with accepted civil engineering practice and is such as to meet the conditions of this consent.
- 6) The consent holder shall inform the Canterbury Regional Council one week in advance of the intended commencement of construction activities.
- 7) The works referred to in Condition (4) above shall be implemented under the supervision of persons with appropriate experience in the supervision of civil engineering construction works.
- 8) All practicable steps must be taken to minimise the input of sediment to the river during construction.

- 9) On completion of construction work the consent holder shall supply to the Canterbury Regional Council a certificate signed by a registered engineer stating that the discharge structure has been constructed in accordance with the design referred to in Condition (5) above. The certificate shall be submitted together with a complete set of "As Built" plans certified as such by the registered engineer.
- 10) The consent holder shall be responsible for the structural integrity and maintenance of all works associated with the exercise of this consent and for any erosion control works that become necessary as a consequence of the exercise of this consent.
- 11) The Canterbury Regional Council may annually, on the last working day of July each year, serve notice of its intention to review the conditions of this consent for the purposes of:(a) dealing with any adverse effect on the environment which may arise from the exercise of the consent; or(b) complying with the requirements of a regional plan.
- 12) Charges, set in accordance with section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991, shall be paid to the Regional Council for the carrying out of its functions in relation to the administration, monitoring and supervision of resource consents and for the carrying out of its functions under section 35 of the Act.

RecordNo CRC952575.1

Consent Summary

Type Consent
Source Full Transfer

PermitType Land Use Consent

FileNo CO6C/09143



ClientID 13912

ClientName Waimakariri Irrigation Limited

To to construct and use a water discharge structure in the bed of the Ashley River at or about map reference M34:529-735 for the purpose of discharging water into the Ashley River.

Location Waimakariri Ashley Water Management Scheme, WAIMAKARIRI DISTRICT

Status Current

Events 08/Oct/1999 < Consent Transferred
19/Nov/1999 Given Effect To
20/Nov/1999 Lapse Date if not Given Effect To
18/Nov/2031 Consent Expires

Subject to the following conditions:

- 1) The consents granted by this decision shall not be operated concurrently with the notified use NCY720289 held by Waimakariri District Council to take 1.5 cubic metres per second for stockwater from the Waimakariri River at Browns Rock.
- 2) Before any works are commenced under these consents the consent holder shall prepare and submit to the Canterbury Regional Council for approval a management plan for the construction and operation of the scheme and for the monitoring of any environmental effects arising from the scheme. The plan should give particular attention to the details of how:(i) the stockwater supply is to be managed;(ii) the irrigation component of the scheme is to be managed so the objective of using water efficiently is met;(iii) the ground water recharge trials are to be conducted and evaluated;(iv) the monitoring for groundwater levels and groundwater quality changes is to be accomplished;(v) the conditions imposed on these consents and on the land use consent granted for the scheme by the Waimakariri District Council are to be met;(vi) any failures to meet conditions on water and sediment discharges and on the exclusion of fish from the race system are to be remedied;(vii) the effects of envisaged land use changes of the hydrological environment are to be remedied or mitigated. In August each year the consent holder and the Canterbury Regional Council shall jointly review and, if appropriate, amend the management plan for the ensuing year. The Canterbury Regional Council may invite submissions from interested parties as part of the review process.
- 3) The lapsing period of section 125(1) RMA shall be three years.
- 4) The design, construction and operation of the discharge structure and associated wetland shall be in general accordance with the principles as presented in evidence to the hearing and as contained in the "WAWMS Technical Report" and in the "Report on Main Race Operation for Waimakariri Ashley Water Management Scheme" provided to the Canterbury Regional Council in support of this application.
- 5) The consent holder shall provide a certificate, signed by a registered engineer, to the Canterbury Regional Council stating that the discharge structure and wetland have been designed in accordance with accepted civil engineering practice and is such as to meet the conditions of this consent.
- 6) The consent holder shall inform the Canterbury Regional Council one week in advance of the intended commencement of construction activities.
- 7) The works referred to in Condition (4) above shall be implemented under the supervision of persons with appropriate experience in the supervision of civil engineering construction works.
- 8) All practicable steps must be taken to minimise the input of sediment to the river during construction.

- 9) On completion of construction work the consent holder shall supply to the Canterbury Regional Council a certificate signed by a registered engineer stating that the discharge structure and wetland have been constructed in accordance with the design referred to in Condition (5) above. The certificate shall be submitted together with a complete set of "As Built" plans certified as such by the registered engineer.
- 10) The consent holder shall be responsible for the structural integrity and maintenance of all works associated with the exercise of this consent and for any erosion control works that become necessary as a consequence of the exercise of this consent.
- 11) The Canterbury Regional Council may annually, on the last working day of July each year, serve notice of its intention to review the conditions of this consent for the purposes of:(a) dealing with any adverse effect on the environment which may arise from the exercise of the consent; or(b) complying with the requirements of a regional plan.
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RecordNo CRC952577.1

Consent Summary

Type Consent
Source Full Transfer

PermitType Land Use Consent

FileNo CO6C/09142



ClientID 13912

ClientName Waimakariri Irrigation Limited

To to construct and use a water race structure, being an inverted syphon, in and across the riverbed of the Cust River, at or about L35:486-698 to convey water to be used in a water management scheme.

Location Waimakariri Ashley Water Management Scheme, WAIMAKARIRI DISTRICT

Status Current

Events 08/Oct/1999 < Consent Transferred
19/Nov/1999 Given Effect To
20/Nov/1999 Lapse Date if not Given Effect To
18/Nov/2031 Consent Expires

Subject to the following conditions:

- 1) The consents granted by this decision shall not be operated concurrently with the notified use NCY720289 held by Waimakariri District Council to take 1.5 cubic metres per second for stockwater from the Waimakariri River at Browns Rock.
- 2) Before any works are commenced under these consents the consent holder shall prepare and submit to the Canterbury Regional Council for approval a management plan for the construction and operation of the scheme and for the monitoring of any environmental effects arising from the scheme. The plan should give particular attention to the details of how:(i) the stockwater supply is to be managed;(ii) the irrigation component of the scheme is to be managed so the objective of using water efficiently is met;(iii) the ground water recharge trials are to be conducted and evaluated;(iv) the monitoring for groundwater levels and groundwater quality changes is to be accomplished;(v) the conditions imposed on these consents and on the land use consent granted for the scheme by the Waimakariri District Council are to be met;(vi) any failures to meet conditions on water and sediment discharges and on the exclusion of fish from the race system are to be remedied;(vii) the effects of envisaged land use changes of the hydrological environment are to be remedied or mitigated. In August each year the consent holder and the Canterbury Regional Council shall jointly review and, if appropriate, amend the management plan for the ensuing year. The Canterbury Regional Council may invite submissions from interested parties as part of the review process.
- 3) The lapsing period of section 125(1) RMA shall be three years.
- 4) The design, construction and operation of the discharge structure and associated wetland shall be in general accordance with the principles as presented in evidence to the hearing and as contained in the "WAWMS Technical Report" and in the "Report on Main Race Operation for Waimakariri Ashley Water Management Scheme" provided to the Canterbury Regional Council in support of this application.
- 5) The consent holder shall provide a certificate, signed by a registered engineer, to the Canterbury Regional Council stating that the inverted syphon has been designed in accordance with accepted civil engineering practice and is such as to meet the conditions of this consent.
- 6) The consent holder shall inform the Canterbury Regional Council one week in advance of the intended commencement of construction activities.
- 7) The works referred to in Condition (4) above shall be implemented under the supervision of persons with appropriate experience in the supervision of civil engineering construction works.
- 8) All practicable steps must be taken to minimise the input of sediment to the river during construction.

- 9) On completion of construction work the consent holder shall supply to the Canterbury Regional Council a certificate signed by a registered engineer stating that the discharge structure and wetland have been constructed in accordance with the design referred to in Condition (5) above. The certificate shall be submitted together with a complete set of "As Built" plans certified as such by the registered engineer.
- 10) The consent holder shall be responsible for the structural integrity and maintenance of all works associated with the exercise of this consent and for any erosion control works that become necessary as a consequence of the exercise of this consent.
- 11) The Canterbury Regional Council may annually, on the last working day of July each year, serve notice of its intention to review the conditions of this consent for the purposes of: (a) dealing with any adverse effect on the environment which may arise from the exercise of the consent; or (b) complying with the requirements of a regional plan.
- 12) Charges, set in accordance with section 36 of the Resource Management Act 1991, shall be paid to the Regional Council for the carrying out of its functions in relation to the administration, monitoring and supervision of resource consents and for the carrying out of its functions under section 35 of the Act.

RecordNo CRC952578.1

Consent Summary

Type Consent
Source Full Transfer

PermitType Land Use Consent

FileNo CO6C/09141



ClientID 13912

ClientName Waimakariri Irrigation Limited

To to construct and use a water race structure, being an inverted syphon, in and across the bed of the Eyre River at or about L35:463-651 to convey water to be used in a water management scheme.

Location Waimakariri Ashley Water Management Scheme, WAIMAKARIRI DISTRICT

Status Current

Events 18/Nov/1998 Given Effect To
08/Oct/1999 < Consent Transferred
20/Nov/1999 Lapse Date if not Given Effect To
18/Nov/2031 Consent Expires

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- 2) Before any works are commenced under these consents the consent holder shall prepare and submit to the Canterbury Regional Council for approval a management plan for the construction and operation of the scheme and for the monitoring of any environmental effects arising from the scheme. The plan should give particular attention to the details of how:(i) the stockwater supply is to be managed;(ii) the irrigation component of the scheme is to be managed so the objective of using water efficiently is met;(iii) the ground water recharge trials are to be conducted and evaluated;(iv) the monitoring for groundwater levels and groundwater quality changes is to be accomplished;(v) the conditions imposed on these consents and on the land use consent granted for the scheme by the Waimakariri District Council are to be met;(vi) any failures to meet conditions on water and sediment discharges and on the exclusion of fish from the race system are to be remedied;(vii) the effects of envisaged land use changes of the hydrological environment are to be remedied or mitigated. In August each year the consent holder and the Canterbury Regional Council shall jointly review and, if appropriate, amend the management plan for the ensuing year. The Canterbury Regional Council may invite submissions from interested parties as part of the review process.
- 3) The lapsing period of section 125(1) RMA shall be three years.
- 4) The design, construction and operation of the discharge structure and associated wetland shall be in general accordance with the principles as presented in evidence to the hearing and as contained in the "WAWMS Technical Report" and in the "Report on Main Race Operation for Waimakariri Ashley Water Management Scheme" provided to the Canterbury Regional Council in support of this application.
- 5) The consent holder shall provide a certificate, signed by a registered engineer, to the Canterbury Regional Council stating that the inverted syphon has been designed in accordance with accepted civil engineering practice and is such as to meet the conditions of this consent.
- 6) The consent holder shall inform the Canterbury Regional Council one week in advance of the intended commencement of construction activities.
- 7) The works referred to in Condition (4) above shall be implemented under the supervision of persons with appropriate experience in the supervision of civil engineering construction works.
- 8) All practicable steps must be taken to minimise the input of sediment to the river during construction.

- 9) On completion of construction work the consent holder shall supply to the Canterbury Regional Council a certificate signed by a registered engineer stating that the discharge structure and wetland have been constructed in accordance with the design referred to in Condition (5) above. The certificate shall be submitted together with a complete set of "As Built" plans certified as such by the registered engineer.
- 10) The consent holder shall be responsible for the structural integrity and maintenance of all works associated with the exercise of this consent and for any erosion control works that become necessary as a consequence of the exercise of this consent.
- 11) The Canterbury Regional Council may annually, on the last working day of July each year, serve notice of its intention to review the conditions of this consent for the purposes of:(a) dealing with any adverse effect on the environment which may arise from the exercise of the consent; or(b) complying with the requirements of a regional plan.
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Record Number: CRC144253
Record Type: Part Transfer Site2Site (W)
Permit Type: Water Permit
Record Holder: Waimakariri Irrigation Limited
Record Status: Issued - Inactive
File Number: CRC144253
Previous Record(s): CRC133581
Next Record(s):
Location: South Eyre Road, Eyrewell
Description: to take and use water



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Key Dates:

Event	Date
Transfer Takes Effect Date	04 Mar 2014
Lapses	30 Jun 2019
Expires	09 Dec 2033

Workflow (Only shows if workflow has open tasks):

Task Name	Task Status	Task Status Date
Record Lodgement	Completed - Ready for s88	24 Jan 2014
Complete s88 Check	Completed - Accept Application	28 Jan 2014
Audit Application	Completed	28 Feb 2014
Complete Recommendation	Completed - No Peer/App Review	28 Feb 2014
Make Notification Decision	Completed - Non Notified	03 Mar 2014
Notify and Issue Final Decision	Completed - NonNtfd Grant	04 Mar 2014
Make Non Notified Final Decision	Completed	03 Mar 2014
Finalise Application	Completed	04 Mar 2014
Manage Objection Period	In Objection Period	
Compliance Audit Check		
Manage Objection Period	In Process - Objection Period	

Conditions:

No	Text
1	Water may be taken only from the Waimakariri River at Browns Rock Intake (SWAP L35/0906), located at map reference Topo50 2000 BW22:2605-9678.
2	Water may be taken at a rate not exceeding 200 litres per second, with a volume not exceeding 4,016,301 cubic metres between 1 July and the following 30 June.
3	Water shall only be taken and used for storage and irrigation as described in the application, where the water taken for irrigation purposes shall only be used to irrigate water taken in combination with water taken under CRC000585.9, for irrigation of the same area authorised as CRC000585.9 or any subsequent variations thereof.
4	Fish screening: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> A fish screen shall be operated and maintained on the Browns Rock Intake to ensure that fish are prevented from passing into the intake; in the event that the fish screen installed and maintained in accordance with clause a. at the intake becomes ineffective, either through damage from any cause or through the need for maintenance, the taking of water under this consent shall cease until the screens' effectiveness has been satisfactorily restored. The consent holder shall within 24 hours of the screens' becoming

	<p>ineffective notify the Canterbury Regional Council and the North Canterbury Fish and Game Council of the situation and of the remedial measures including fish salvage to be implemented.</p>
5	<p>Whenever the unmodified flow in the Waimakariri River, as estimated by the Canterbury Regional Council from measurements at the Old Highway Bridge, at or about map reference NZMS 260 M35:818-547, for any 24 hour period ending at noon is:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Either: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. 63,000 litres per second or greater; ii. or equal to or greater than the sum of 41,000 litres per second plus the total abstractions authorised by permits which come within the category of "A" permits as defined by the Waimakariri River Regional Plan; or iii. greater than 41,000 litres per second and less than 63,000 litres per second and all water permit holders who are subject to same minimum flow restriction as is set out in c., are adhering to a water sharing regime that restricts the total rate of abstraction from the Waimakariri River whenever the flow is at or above 41,000 litres per second; then the maximum rate of abstraction, during the next 24 hours, shall not exceed 200 litres per second. b. greater than 41,000 litres per second and less than 63,000 litres per second, except where a. ii. or iii. applies, the maximum rate of take during the next 24 hours shall be equal to the rate shown on the vertical axis on the attached graph that corresponds to that flow on the horizontal axis, by reference to the diagonal line. c. at or less than 41,000 litres per second, no water shall be taken during the next 24 hours.
6	<p>The consent holder shall, before the taking of water in terms of this permit:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. Install a water level measuring device in a location that will enable the determination of the continuous rate of flow and volume of water being taken to within an accuracy of 10 percent. b. The measuring device shall, as far as is practicable, be installed at a site likely to retain a stable relationship between flow and water level. The measuring device shall be installed in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. c. The flow at the measuring site shall be gauged at least every twelve months whilst the consent is being exercised, and at any other time when required (for example, after flood events) as determined by a site inspection. Site inspections are to be carried out by the race operator at least once every month. d. Gauging and site inspections shall be carried out in accordance with the following manuals: Hydrologists Field Manual (NIWA 1991) and Procedure for Rating a Flow Situation (NIWA 1993) or equivalent publication. e. The level of water in the race, and times of abstraction, shall be recorded by tamper-proof electronic recording system such that the flow through the site is measured at least once every 15 minutes, and a record made either on site or at a remote location via telemetry of the total flow volume passing through the site in time increments not exceeding 60 minutes. The recorded data shall not be changed or deleted by any person, unless twelve months have passed since the date of recording. f. The measuring and recording devices described in clauses a. and e. shall be available for inspection at all times by the Canterbury Regional Council subject

	<p>to providing adequate protection against vandalism which may require the consent holder's assistance on site to unlock or remove barriers.</p> <p>g. All data from the recording device described in clause e., and the corresponding relationship between the water level and flow, shall be provided to the Canterbury Regional Council on request.</p> <p>h. Within one month of the commencement of this consent, at two-yearly intervals thereafter, and at any other time when requested by Canterbury Regional Council, the consent holder shall calibrate the measuring device and provide to Canterbury Regional Council:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. A certificate signed by a suitably qualified person certifying the current accuracy of the measuring and recording devices, and also certifying that the recording device described in clause e. can be readily accessed in accordance with clause f.; ii. and Supporting information containing details of the calibration test. <p>i. The recording system in e. shall:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Be set to wrap the data from the measuring device(s) such that the oldest data will be automatically overwritten by the newest data (i.e. cyclic recording); or ii. Store the entire season's data in each 12 month period from 1 July to 30 June in the following year, which the consent holder shall then download and store in a commonly used format and provide to the Canterbury Regional Council upon request in a form and to a standard specified in writing by the Canterbury Regional Council; or iii. Be part of the consent holder's SCADA system which stores and forwards data on a quasi-continuous basis to the consent holder's base station where it is stored in an industry-standard database, and can be provided in a commonly accepted format to the Canterbury Regional Council upon request in a form and to a standard specified in writing by the Canterbury Regional Council; or iv. Be connected to a telemetry system which collects and stores all of the data continuously with an independent network provider who will make that data available in a commonly used format at all times to the Canterbury Regional Council and the consent holder. No data in the recording device(s) shall be deliberately changed or deleted. v. The measurement and recording system(s) shall be installed and maintained throughout the duration of the consent in accordance with the manufacturer's instructions. vi. All practicable measures shall be taken to ensure that the flow measurement and recording system(s) are fully functional at all times. vii. Within on month of the installation of the measuring or recording device(s) or any subsequent replacement of the measuring or recording device(s), and at five-yearly intervals thereafter, and at any time when requested by the Canterbury Regional Council, the consent holder shall provide a certificate to the Canterbury Regional Council, Attention: RMA Compliance and Enforcement Manager, signed by a suitably qualified person certifying that the measuring and recording system(s) have been installed in accordance with the manufacturer's specification.
7	The Canterbury Regional Council, Attention: RMA Compliance and Enforcement Manager, shall be informed immediately on first exercise of this consent by the consent holder.
8	The taking of water in terms of this permit shall cease for a period of up to 48 hours, on notice from the Canterbury Regional Council, to allow measurement of flow in the Waimakariri River.
9	The consent holder shall take all practicable steps to:

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. Ensure that the volume of water used for irrigation does not exceed that required for the soil to reach field capacity; and b. Avoid leakage from pipes, races and structures; and c. Avoid the use of water onto non-productive land such as impermeable surfaces and river or stream riparian strips.
10	The Canterbury Regional Council may, once per year, on any of the last five working days of May or November, serve notice of its intention to review the conditions of this consent for the purposes of dealing with any adverse effect on the environment which may arise from the exercise of this consent.
11	The lapsing date for the purposes of section 125 shall be 30 June 2019.