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Tēnā koe Craig

Request for information 2024-103

I refer to your request for information dated 21 May 2024, which was received by Greater Wellington Regional Council (Greater Wellington) on 23 May 2024. You have requested the following:

1. *“Please supply all records relating to consents granted in relation to 1044 Coast Road, Wainuiomata (Lot 5 DP 551868).*

The latest Google Earth imagery, dating to February 2024, indicates that large amounts of material have been deposited throughout the property. This is most notable in the areas near tracks that appear to have been built up and widened. Analysis of the colour of the material along the river edges suggests that material has been extensively deposited within close proximity of the river. Residents from the area report a constant stream of laden trucks have been seen entering the property since at least December 2022. According to local residents the total deposits of material must exceed many tens of thousands of tons of material.

2. *Please provide all information, including any complaints received, relating to the above activity.”*

On 30 May 2024, a clarification request was sent to you via email seeking the following:

We are just hoping to clarify this point under your request: “Please provide all information, including any complaints received, relating to the above activity”.

Are you able to provide more clarity around the information that you require? We can provide complaints; however, we will withhold the personal details of each of the notifiers.

If you could please provide a response to this query by 6 June 2024, we will ensure that your request for information has been appropriately satisfied.

No response was received by 6 June 2024, so for question two we have assumed that you only require the complaints/ notifications record for 1044 Coast Road.

Your request has been broken down into two parts. This has been done so that the request may be responded to appropriately and succinctly.

Greater Wellington's response follows:

Part one

Greater Wellington has provided all consent documents related to 1044 Coast Road, Wainuiomata (**Attachments 2 – 5**). The list of consent documents has been summarised for you below:

- WGN060129 [24901] [24903] [24936] [24937] – please note that only permit ID [24901] is active (October 6, 2041).
- WGN080503 [26982] [27332]
- WGN170076 [34331] [34330] – please note that permit ID [34330] underwent an extension of timeframes, and the new expiry is in October 2026. This document has been attached separately.

Each consent consists of a variety of activities related to works in and around the Wainuiomata River, inclusive of water takes, gravel extraction, vegetation clearances, erosion protection, and bed disturbance limited by the conditions under each consent.

Part two

We have used your information provided surrounding the latest google analysis to inform our response as to what parameters to search under our Environmental Protection inbox.

We have searched this inbox using the following key words and date restrictions as initially requested. This information has been provided in the document titled – Notification Logs 1044 Coast Road:

- Searches restricted from December 2022 till now.
- *Material, Deposition, Earthworks, Coast Road, 1044 Coast Road, Wainuiomata River.*

Attachment 1 provides a list of notifications received by the Greater Wellington Environmental Protection Hotline in relation to your request. These have been copied across to this document exactly how they have been logged in the Greater Wellington's incident and investigations notification's inbox.

Please note that we have withheld the names of notifiers, who submitted the information to the regional council to action or investigate, under section 7(2)(a) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (the Act) to protect the privacy of natural persons, including that of deceased natural persons. These are marked accordingly on the enclosed paper titled “Notifications Log 1044 Coast Road”.

When withholding information under section 7 of the Act we are required to consider the public interest in the information. In this instance we do not believe that the public interest outweighs our reasons for withholding the information outlined above.

If you have any concerns with the decision(s) referred to in this letter, you have the right to request an investigation and review by the Ombudsman under section 27(3) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

Please note that it is our policy to proactively release our responses to official information requests where possible. Our response to your request will be published shortly on Greater Wellington’s website with your personal information removed.

Nāku iti noa, nā



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