

14 May 2024

LGOIMA IRO-665

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Response to your information request regarding Rukutane Pump Overflow

Thank you for your request of 15 April 2024 for the following:

1. *Details of all events since the most recent event (29-30/09/2022) referred to in the previous data WWL has provided me (see OIA IRO-302) when the Rukutane Pt pump capacity was exceeded, and untreated wastewater was discharged directly into the environment. Details should include: date, duration, volume of wastewater discharged, peak discharge rate.*
2. *Summary details of any enforcement actions taken against WWL or PCC in relation to breaches of the network consent since WWL's letter to me dated 12 October 2022 (in relation to OIA IRO-302).*

Your request is responded to in accordance with the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act (LGOIMA) 1987.

The response to your first request is enclosed as Appendix One following this letter. The Rukutane Point pump station does not record flow measurement/volume of wastewater discharged as there is no flow measurement instrumentation onsite. Consequently, this component of your request is refused under section 17(g)(i) of the LGOIMA as *that the information requested is not held by the local authority*. For your guidance, data related to the start and stop time of the overflow incident is recorded and provided in the appendix.

In response to your second request, this is refused under section 17(e) of the LGOIMA as *the document(s) alleged to contain the information requested do not exist* because Wellington Water has not received any enforcement actions regarding wastewater discharges from the Porirua City Council (PCC) Wastewater network. In regard to any enforcement actions taken against the PCC regarding the Rukutane Point pump station, this request would need to be sent to them.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

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If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to email us at official.information@wellingtonwater.co.nz

Nāku noa, nā



General Manager
Customer Operations Group

Appendix One: Overflow at Rukutane WWPS from 29/9/2022 – 15/4/2024: date, duration, volume of wastewater discharged, peak discharge

Please note the following that there is no flow measurement/volume of wastewater discharged as there is no flow measurement instrumentation at Rukutane WWPS, therefore only data related to start and stop time of the related overflow is recorded.

ID	Date	Time Started	AM/PM	Date Ended	Time Ended	AM/PM	Duration of overflow (hrs)	Cause of overflow
15262	13/04/2024	04:24:00	PM	14/04/2024	01:12:00	AM	08:48:00	rain
15261	12/04/2024	01:46:00	PM	13/04/2024	03:59:00	AM	14:13:00	rain
14785	17/08/2023	12:29:00	AM	17/08/2023	01:40:00	AM	01:11:00	rain
12524	4/05/2023	02:50:00	AM	4/05/2023	05:28:00	AM	02:38:00	rain
12525	4/05/2023	12:06:00	PM	5/05/2023	02:39:00	AM	14:33:00	rain
12462	19/04/2023	09:01:00	AM	19/04/2023	11:51:00	PM	14:50:00	rain
12285	18/12/2022	04:50:00	AM	18/12/2022	07:34:00	AM	02:44:00	rain
12277	9/12/2022	09:06:00	PM	10/12/2022	02:35:00	AM	05:29:00	rain
12240	27/11/2022	04:34:00	AM	28/11/2022	12:00:00	AM	19:26:00	rain
12231	19/11/2022	10:53:00	AM	19/11/2022	12:50:00	PM	01:57:00	rain