

Form 20

Notice of Requirement for Alteration of Designation

Omāroro Reservoir

Pursuant to section 168A of the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA), the Wellington City Council (WCC) gives notice of its requirement for an alteration to the Designation for the Omāroro Reservoir.

The site to which the notice of requirement applies is:

The Prince of Wales Park, Brooklyn; legally described as Part Lot 2 DP10337 and as shown on the plans in Appendix A of the attached Assessment of Environmental Effects (AEE).

The nature of the public work is:

The Omāroro Reservoir Designation was confirmed on 8 May 2018 for the construction, operation, and maintenance of the Omāroro Reservoir including all activities associated with the construction, operation, and maintenance of:

- The Omāroro Reservoir structure and pipe tunnel
- Access to the reservoir and pipe tunnel
- Associated connections to the bulk water supply, local water supply, and local stormwater networks
- All construction activities associated with the proposed raising and reinstatement of the upper and lower Prince of Wales playing fields

This alteration proposes an adjustment to the Designation boundary to allow for works to take place where they cannot be contained within the existing Designation boundary. These works comprise:

- Works to strengthen the existing access from Dorking Road to allow emergency and infrequent vehicle access
- Construction of two buried flow meter chambers and one buried control valve chamber and realignment of the existing water mains
- Relocation of the existing stormwater inlet

The alteration also amends Condition D.C 33 b) to allow for works to take place within the 5m Waitangi Stream tributary buffer zone.

The proposed conditions that would apply are:

The conditions of the Omāroro Reservoir remain relevant and will continue to be met. Amendments are proposed to:

- Designation Condition 1 (D.C 1) to update to references to documents affected by the alteration
- Designation Condition 33 b) (D.C 33 b)) to allow for construction works to encroach within 5m of the Waitangi Stream tributary

A new condition is proposed to secure the recommended arboricultural methodology.

The effects that the public work will have on the environment and the ways in which any adverse effects will be mitigated are:

The effects of the alteration are outlined in the attached AEE. Potential adverse effects include:

- Effects on residents (general amenity)
- Effects on the roading network (from construction traffic and emergency crane access)
- Effects on aquatic ecology resulting from works within the Waitangi Stream tributary
- Landscape, arboricultural and visual effects during construction
- Erosion and sediment control effects during construction

The effects of the alteration are no more than minor.

Alternative sites, route and methods have been considered to the following extent:

A formal assessment of alternative sites, routes and methods are not required as Section 181(3) of the RMA applies. Notwithstanding this, consideration has been given to alternative approaches and these have been discussed with the Community Reference Group as part of the consultation process. Details are provided within the attached AEE.

The public work and alteration to the designation are reasonably necessary for achieving the objectives of the Requiring Authority because:

The proposed alteration is reasonably necessary to better achieve Wellington City Council's objectives by allowing for emergency maintenance activities to take place and locating infrastructure in the best location to ensure the functionality of the water supply network.

The following resource consents are needed for the proposed activity and have been applied for:

Resource consent is required for the new stormwater inlet as a Discretionary Activity under Rule 49 of the Regional Freshwater Plan. The proposed activity is permitted under the Proposed Natural Resources Plan: Decisions Version.

The following consultation has been undertaken with parties that are likely to be affected:

Consultation has been undertaken with Greater Wellington Regional Council, Wellington City Council Parks Team and the Community Reference Group and residents of Dorking Road. Details are provided within the attached AEE.

The Wellington City Council attaches the following information required to be included in this notice by the district plan, regional plan, or any regulations made under the Resource Management Act 1991:

- Prince of Wales / Omāroro Reservoir Notice of Requirement (Alteration): Assessment of Environmental Effects

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