

LAND CATEGORISATION UPDATE AND NEXT STEPS

Havelock North provisional Category 2C properties October update

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Kia ora,

Following on from communications you have been receiving from Hastings District Council (HDC) with regards to land categorisation in Havelock North, Hawke's Bay Regional Council (HBRC) can advise it has now received a draft report from Tonkin + Taylor (T+T).

This report details the work T+T has carried out to identify and investigate potential options for increasing the capacity of the Mangarau Stream so it is better able to cope with future severe weather events.

The report notes that legal and physical access to the stream is very limited, and that these need to be addressed to enable effective management and improvements to the stream.

The package of work proposed by T+T in the draft report includes:

- construction of accessways in key locations
- upstream maintenance and debris clearance
- widening the channel in select places to improve flood flow
- erosion and scour protection
- work along the Plassey St section of the stream, including modification of the existing weir arrangement and widening/rock revetment on the left bank.

The next steps will include coordination between respective councils to finalise the draft report, discussions with affected landowners regarding the report and its recommendations, followed by a process to formalise a business case for the proposed package of work. HDC and HBRC will keep those most-affected by Cyclone Gabrielle (and the wider Havelock North community as appropriate) updated on progress.

As HDC advised in its September 2023 update, there are funds within the flood mitigation funding package from central Government which are available for work in the Havelock North streams area, and these will need to be released through a business case process.

The T+T report is separate to the report on the Mangarau Dam, which HDC referred to in its most recent communication to you. However, you can be assured that the two councils are working closely together to ensure that any package of works takes all new information into account.

Ngā mihi nui,

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