

STEPS IN CONSULTATION

1. Discuss with Council staff the extent of the consultation you will be expected to undertake.
2. Make contact with the people of organisation you wish to consult with. This is probably best done by starting with a phone call followed up by a personal visit.
3. Keep a record of your consultation; who was consulted, the date, the topics discussed and any decisions reached. Include any information that may be helpful in presenting your application to the Council.
4. Report the outcome of any consultation in your application – the consents of those consulted, your response to those concerns, how you intend to address those concerns in your proposal.



CONSULTATION



Rangitikei
UNSPOILT...

This pamphlet is one in a series published by the Rangitikei District. It is intended to provide general information only. It is not intended as a legal document and may not be applicable to all circumstance. For specific details on any consent application, please contact:



Rangitikei District Council

Private Bag 1102
Marton
Phone: 06-327-0099
Fax: 06-327-6970
Free-phone: 0800-422-522
Email info@rangitikei.govt.nz

WHAT IS CONSULTATION

Consultation involves discussing the project for which you wish to apply for a Resource Consent with anyone who may be affected, or who may have an interest in the environment in general. This can include your neighbours, iwi groups, environmental groups, other users of the Resource and the Department of Conservation.



affected parties for you, but in that case you will be charged for staff time and any other expenses.

The Council encourages applicants to consult with local iwi. See pamphlet titled “Consultation with Iwi”. The Council cannot make a decision on an application without first assessing and weighing up issues related to the application which may affect Maori.



- Those tangata whenua of an area whose cultural values could be adversely affected by any application;
- Those persons or organisations whose use or enjoyment of an area could be affected by any application;
- Any Minister of the Crown with statutory responsibilities in respect of the application site, or any adjacent area;
- Any other person who the Council considers relevant in the circumstances.

If you are uncertain whether to consult a particular party contact the Council through its planning officer for advice.

WHY CONSULT

In most cases, consultation will help in the smooth processing of your Resource Consent application. Time and effort spent in consultation before your application is presented to Council can mean considerable savings by avoiding lengthy and costly pre-hearings, hearings and appeals.

In your application you will need to include details of who you have consulted with and the outcome of those consultations. If you do not furnish evidence of consultation, the Council may return your application to you and ask for those details. Alternatively, the Council may, with your consent, consult

WHO TO CONSULT

The following persons may be affected by your proposal and should be consulted.

- Those persons living in residential properties adjacent or near to any application site;
- Those persons who own or lease land that is adjacent or rear to any application site, and those whose use of land could be detrimentally affected by the application;

