

Resource Consent Application

Form 13

Under Section 96 of the Resource Consent Management Act 1991.



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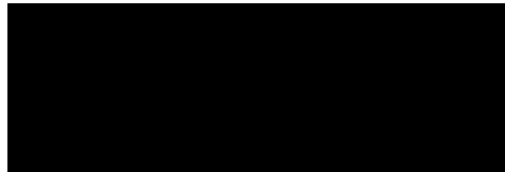
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Submission on:

Application No

LR-2026-113441-00, LV-2026-113442-00, LL-2026-113443-00, WS-2026-113444-00

Name of Applicant

Gisborne District Council - Community Lifelines

Type of resource consent applied for

Land-Use - Extract Sand/Shingle; Land-Use - Vegetation Clearance; Land-Use - Works and structures in a River/Lake Bed; Take Surface Water; Land Use - Earthworks

Brief description of proposed activity

1.0-APPLICATION-Te-Karaka-Stopbank-Upgrade.pdf

Position on application

I oppose the application

Clearly state which parts of the application you support or oppose or wish to have amended:

I oppose the design of the stop bank and the associated risks it brings in increase flood / hazards zones and newly flooded status to our property in both the design event and overdesign event. The fact we are now being shown on the maps as "the whole valley bottom of the Waipaoa which could, in theory, be inundated "(Matt Adams T&T)

I oppose the design of the stop bank and believe there is a" distinct possibility "of new risks being imposed to the Rangatira and Kanakanaia Bridges, that will cause severe damage and or destruction in future flood events to the bridges. That the possibility of the Rangatira bridge loss is real and would make living on our property very difficult with no sound alternative travel routes presently presented as mitigation to bridge loss, from GDC for us.

The council's own words say

"Council's assessment of effects on the Rangatira Road and Kanakanaia Road bridges indicated that the proposed stopbank upgrade would result in increased hydraulic loads and scour depths under the design flood event, with predicted increases in scour depth of approximately 0.7 - 0.8 metres. Modelling for Rangatira Bridge indicates up to a 101% increase in bending moment loads on the superstructure, up to a 44% increase in lateral loads, up to a 40% increase in vertical uplift loads, and up to a 50% increase in pier bending moment loads."

This is assessed as "unlikely" to have more than a minor adverse effect on bridge failure risk, but that is not a reasonable

assessment – the fact that these bridges are already vulnerable to flooding has been used as a reason to minimize the additional flood risk caused by the stop bank, rather than identifying it as a cumulative effect.

I oppose spending \$26 mill for the stop bank upgrade to potentially jeopardize \$30 mill of existing bridge infrastructure that stood the test of cyclone Gabriel flood levels with the present design parameters from the last SB upgrade in 2000 exceeding present flood levels against the bridges place, a distinct possibility of them being severely damaged or lost .

I oppose impact on critical infrastructure being Rangatira and Kanakania bridges having .6 and 1.3 meters of water over the deck in the design and OD events respectively and the lack of specialist risk reporting on this in the application .

I opposed the application on the basis that GDC has not managed woody, debris correctly prior to cyclone Gabriel event ,that large amounts still remain in the headwaters of the Waipoa and its tributaries (searching using maps Taiwrawhiti) still to be swept down and thus jeopardizing the bridges, in a totally different manner to Gabriel after construction of the new project ,we could experience downstream bridge loss , just like what happened to the Mangatai bridge Te kowhai rd , Whatatutu in the event of Gaberiel ,This upstream bridge most likely, adding to or exacerbating the flash flood event that topped the existing flood protections around Te karaka and Waipoa settlements at the time, I have heard stories of a tsunami /tidal wave affect going across the Waipoa flats .

I oppose the potential implementation of the newly created natural hazard zones ,being imposed on to our properties ,once geological safe from flooding on an upper river terrace now placed in the whole Waipoa river valley bottom , increasing development costs to our rural general land to 1000m2 parcels going forward and potentially increasing insurance costs and establishment of tree crops on our front lower terrace .

I oppose on the basis councils rejects our request for equivalent flood protection to our property as will be afforded to Te karaka village

or as per PDF

The reason for making my submissions are (briefly describe the reasons for your views):

To more clearly understand this application as per the attached PDF copy of this submission

1/To fully understand GDC policy direction moving on from Gabriel on council process on maintaining life lines following cyclone Gabriel

2/“To fully understand if the guide lines of the GDC CE were accurately followed in the steering group formulation and optioneering strategy “.17 July 2024

3/To fully understand the hydraulic modeling used ,to understand why no aggradation figures have been used in hydraulic modeling

4 /To fully understand why Jessica Grinter (Santec)and Jo Michalakakis (Align) email 30th June 26 (Jess to Jo) says cyclone Bola @ 4500 cumec was greater than Gabriell @4200 cumec

5/To fully understand the rationale for covering compensation and engagement costs ONLY to those directly affected (stop bank footprint)

I wish the Gisborne District Council to make the following decision (give details, including nature of any conditions sought):

6/To fully understand why newly flooded property owners are only viewed as more minorly affected when they are taking water for the project.

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I request that the design of the stopbank be changed to avoid any increase in flood risk to any part of our property, otherwise I request that the application be declined”.

I request that until the “distinct possibility” of bridge loss due to increased flooding levels from the proposed stopbank design and upgrade is eliminated then the application be declined.

I request in the event this consent application is considered or even granted that the Rangatira road residents are able to present registered valuations demonstrating tangible loss, for compensation under the PWA ,as they have taken (since 1988) increases in flood water and levels ,now becoming newly flooded in taking the backflow once more ,with an increase in flood water levels caused by the stopback height increase and the ongoing aggradation effects of this project .

I request that the council align its flood protection budget with its transport budget. If they are raising the stopbanks, they must simultaneously fund structural protection or upgrades for the vulnerable bridge, as the Rangatira will become, via its Long-Term Plan (LTP) .That council/ commissioners relay details of how this is to be achieved and keeps us informed before and after any resource consent is granted for the flood bank project.

I request pursuant to 100a of the act that GDC delegates its functions ,powers,and duties to hear and decide the application to 1 or more commissioners who are not members of the local authority or have any affiliations to the region or any relatable local/government project .

I request if independent commissioners are established that their jurisdiction in deciding this matter extends to all aspects of council's present roll and can address more complex compensation questions under the public works act for affected parties who are viewed as unaffected or mitigation works to unacknowledged but still affected properties .

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I wish to speak at the hearing in support of my submission

Yes

Would you consider presenting a joint case with others who have made a similar submission?

Yes

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Confirmation

Are you submitting this form on behalf of another person?

No

I confirm that all the above details are correct.

Yes