



Combined BOP & Waikato Regional Council – Forestry Liaison Group - Meeting Summary

Held 28 August 2024 at the BOP Regional Council with 28 attendees.

Key discussion:

- **BOP Regional Council –**

BOPRC raised an issue with the Stakeholder group where they see a gap in the NES-CF. A site may exist that is covered and inspected under the NES-CF (does not have/need a Resource Consent) and is compliant with the NES-CF (received a Complying field sheet. Despite this, the Compliance Officer could still identify risks on the site associated with the RMA. One example being windthrow.

The compliance inspection is technically under the NES-CF, so any risks identified under the RNMA would not affect the compliance rating, but it is prudent that risks are raised with the forest manager/landowner.

Regional Council feels that the Compliance Field Sheet is still the best official tool for this. Regional Council will make it very clear on the Field Sheet that the risk being raised under the RMA are not covered by the NES-CF and does not therefore affect the Compliance Rating. Regional Council will ask the recipient of the Field Sheet to respond in writing how they intend to avoid, remedy or mitigate the risks identified. This should include any H&S risk assessment or monitoring plans.

The Field Sheet will need to be specific with photos and the geographic locations.

- **Waikato Regional Council –**

Made the following presentations:

- I. Commercial Plantation Forestry Compliance Strategy
- II. Waikato Biodiversity Accord

- **Eland 2017 Ltd –**

Made a presentation on harvesting planning and site assessment using the NZ land resources inventory

Next meeting dates –

BOPRC - 27 November 2024

WaikRC – to be confirmed

Meetings are facilitated through the CNI Wood Council, for more information or to be added to the distribution list please contact Damita Mita at damita@cniwc.co.nz