



TRADE WASTE BYLAW

STATEMENT OF PROPOSAL

Introduction

Taupō District Council has an existing Trade Waste. The purpose of this bylaw is to set the requirements for trade waste within Taupō District by outlining the activities that control and monitor trade discharges into the wastewater system, to protect:

- a. Sewers, pumping stations, storage tanks, wastewater treatment plants and other related wastewater system structures
- b. The health and safety of any persons associated with the wastewater systems by applying standards for trade waste discharges
- c. Public health and the environment from the effect of the trade waste discharges and by ensuring the necessary resource consents are met.

The bylaw also provides a basis for charging persons who use the wastewater system. This is to cover the cost of conveying, treating and disposing of or reusing their wastes, while ensuring that the costs of treatment and disposal are shared fairly between trade waste and domestic dischargers. The bylaw encourages waste minimisation and provides a basis for the introduction and implementation of the New Zealand Waste Strategy.

About the Bylaw

Bylaws are enacted under the Local Government Act 2002 which requires that all bylaws be reviewed five years after the day when first enacted and then every ten years after that. If a bylaw is not reviewed within the required timeline, it is then revoked two years after the review due date and is no longer applicable.

The Trade Waste Bylaw was introduced in June 2016 and is now due for a routine review to ensure it's still working effectively.

The current bylaw works well, so Council is proposing to continue this bylaw without amendment.

This statement of proposal has been prepared in accordance with the requirements set out in section 83 of the Local Government Act 2002.

Appropriateness of the Bylaw

Council has considered the current Trade Waste Bylaw included with this Statement of Proposal and has determined that:

- A bylaw is the most appropriate way for the Council to regulate activities related to the wastewater system to ensure the protection of our community and the environment
- The proposed bylaw is the most appropriate form of bylaw for the purposes of consultation, and
- The bylaw has no implications against the Bill of Rights Act. Council has determined that any perceived infringement of these rights is justified in managing the safety and wellbeing of those within the district.

Council's Proposal

Council is proposing to continue the bylaw without amendment.

Have Your Say

The consultation period for the bylaw will begin on 1 April and conclude 1 May 2025.

This is your opportunity to let Council know what you think of the proposed bylaw. There are several different ways to have your say.

You can:

- Read the bylaw and submit using our online consultation portal at www.taupo.govt.nz
- Email us at bylawreview@taupo.govt.nz

Copies of the statement of proposal and the proposed bylaw are available online or from our offices.

If you have any questions about this proposal or how to make a submission, please contact us via email at bylawreview@taupo.govt.nz.

Hearings

Please tell us if you would like to attend a hearing to speak to Council in support of your submission, and include a telephone number and email address to ensure we can contact you to arrange a time for your presentation. Hearings will be held on XXX XXX in the Council Chambers.

What happens next?

After the hearings, Council will consider all the submissions received and make decisions on any amendments to the bylaw as a result. As a submitter you will be notified of Council's decision.

Council will consider a final Trade Waste Bylaw for adoption on 27 May 2025

Remember, you have until 1 May 2025 to send us your feedback.