

CONSENT MONITORING REPORT



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Consent Name	Meremere Wastewater Treatment System
Consent No.	105031
Year	1 July 2011 – 30 June 2012
Date	26 September 2012
File No.	55 06 14M / USV03

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REPORT/COMMENTS

Meremere Wastewater Sewage Treatment Discharge 1 July 2011 – 30 June 2012

Resource consent 105031 authorises the Waikato District Council to discharge up to 480 cubic metres per day of treated domestic wastewater from the Meremere oxidation pond and wetland system to the Waikato River. The current consent came into effect August 2003.

Since remediation work has been carried out on the reticulation, the Meremere wastewater treatment system has shown a marked improvement in performance in meeting daily discharge requirements. The maximum daily outflow was exceeded on 10 consecutive days in July only. This event was part of an essential upgrade to the weir that necessitated the pond level to be lowered. This compared with the previous reporting year where only three months were fully compliant.

The quality of discharge continues to be inadequate with suspended solids and bacterial compliance targets particularly hard to meet.

Upgrades to the base infrastructure at the plant and infiltration work in the network have seen significant council investment in the Meremere scheme over the past few years. Council have delayed further expenditure on improvements due to priorities that require substantial investment at other treatment sites across the district.

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