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Mayor Maureen Pugh  
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Dear Maureen

**RE: Agreement between the Animal Health Board (AHB) and Westland District Council on the use of aerially applied 1080 in relation to potable water supplies**

At our meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> of November 2009 we discussed and agreed on the actions the AHB will take to ensure the security of potable water supplies in relation to AHB aerial 1080 operational areas in Westland District. I have outlined below the agreements reached at the meeting.

Agreement as follows:

If the AHB is applying aerial 1080 within a continuous stream which flows to a recognised water extraction point within 3km of an operational area, the following shall apply:

- The AHB will advise the owner/operator of the potable water supply of the intention to carry out aerial 1080 work and recommend that no water be used from that supply until water testing for 1080 residues has been undertaken and results received.
- Water testing will involve a sample taken from as close as practicable to the potable water supply within 24 hours of the operation and tested for 1080 residues by a registered laboratory. A further sample will be taken following an accumulated 100mm of rain. Once the results are received for each sample the owner/operator of the potable water supply will be advised as soon as practical.

At the meeting maps of the planned aerial 1080 operations in the Westland District were supplied. It was agreed that further discussions relating to the town water supplies in Ross, Hari Hari and Whataroa were required. I have instructed our contractors to consult with Rob Daniels to determine the water supplies administered by the District Council.



I now seek final confirmation that you agree with the above, and are happy with how this will be applied for each of our operational areas. Please acknowledge your agreement below and return one copy to this office.

This agreement is in addition to and does not replace consultation and notification processes associated with aerial 1080 operations undertaken by the AHB.

Thank you for the opportunity to meet with yourself, council staff and councillors, it was useful to clarify and agree on a way forward.

Yours sincerely

Chris Pullen  
**Vector Programme Manager: West Coast/Tasman**

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## KENNY WILLIAMS – MOTORCYCLE ACCIDENT.

Kenny Williams was returning from Dunedin with 38 other riders on Friday 9 October and although some of the riders were grouped others including Kenny had spread out from the convoy and were riding alone. About 3-4 kilometres from Haast Kenny hit a bump on the road surface that his front wheel slipped off and his back wheel impacted on. This destabilised his machine and he left the road and was thrown off and landed face down with the bike landing on him and pinning him to the ground covering his head, shoulders and body to his upper legs. His helmet and face were imbedded into the soil to a depth of 8 inches. The bike weighs .5 tonne and he was fortunate that he could turn his head slightly and breathe out of the corner of his mouth. With his left hand he was able to scoop an air passage in the soil as he was in danger of drowning in a puddle that his head was submerged in. At times he had to drink the muddy water his eyes and nose were constantly submerged to stop choking. The accident occurred at around 11.45am

He had talked previously with some of his riding mates that he would meet them in Haast and lunch with them at the Salmon Farm. They were not overly concerned though when he didn't turn up as one of the female riders had gone on to Fox Glacier and they thought that he had accompanied her as he had to go to work that night at IPL, Gladstone.

When some of group arrived at Westport later in the day Jason Veitch contacted Lesley, Kenny's partner, to confirm Kenny's arrival. It became evident then that there was cause for alarm due to no contact with him. Lesley went to his work place to see if he was there, and notes were compared as to last sightings of Kenny. The Greymouth and Westport Police were advised of the situation also. They undertook a search from Hokitika and south by vehicle.

It was realised at this stage that something serious had happened. A search group was subsequently organised in Haast to respond comprising Kerry Egging and Sue and Doc Ross. They were able to narrow the search area down to a 3-4 kilometre section of highway based on information provided to them from Kenny's riding mates. At approximately 1am on the Saturday morning they came across him pinned under his bike in a distressed state. He was having serious trouble breathing. They were unable to lift the bike off him immediately as it was partly trapped in a tree and they needed to call an ambulance and manpower to help. The bike was removed about a half hour after he was discovered, some 14 hours after the accident.

It is highly unlikely that Kenny would have survived the night and almost certainly the rescue group were responsible for saving his life. He has a badly fractured right arm, a broken sternum, five cracked/broken ribs, a punctured lung, damaged heart, kidneys and extensive bruising. When found he was in a state of hypothermia.

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Dear Robin

**Taupo District Council's Resolution Regarding 1080 Use**

On 30<sup>th</sup> September 2009 following an extensive period of information gathering, discussion and debate that was instigated by significant community concerns initially in our Turangi/Tongariro Ward the Taupo District Council resolved the following;

THAT THE TAUPO DISTRICT COUNCIL IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 10[B] OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT ACT ADVOCATE WITH CENTRAL GOVERNMENT AND APPROPRIATE AGENCIES, VIZ -

- A. TO DEVELOP A SUSTAINABLE ALTERNATIVE POSSUM ERADICATION AND TRAPPING PROGRAMME.
- B. FOR THE ABOLITION OF ALL AERIAL DROPPING OF 1080 POISON FORTHWITH.

This majority decision was not taken lightly by any of the Councillors of our District and the whole exercise undertaken during the education and deliberation phases of the process were arduous for all concerned.

There is overwhelming evidence that the aerial dropping of 1080 in and around the Taupo District is causing significant collateral damage that falls outside the terms of the eradication programmes that have been approved by ERMA and under the regulated auspices of the Resource Consent that the relevant agencies operate under.

It is our understanding that Taupo District has more 1080 poison dropped by helicopter than any other District in New Zealand and we do not understand why this should be the case particularly when the terrain would not be classified as hugely inaccessible.

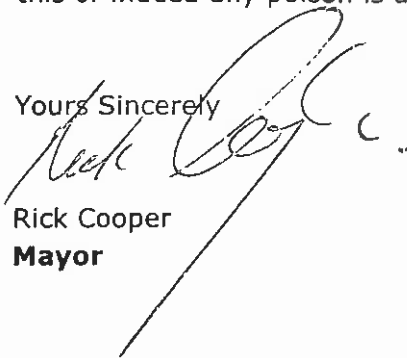
We believe that we have significant Tourism Operations in our area that are being adversely impacted by the application of this poison in such a manner as aerial dropping particularly when the activity has resulted in the deaths of domestic stock in areas that one would normally consider to be pastoral land. This we believe to be unacceptable.



The controls that are being used to monitor the actions of those Companies and people that are involved in the trade of aerial dropping of 1080 are in our collective view woefully inadequate. We believe that within our District that there is absolutely no need to tolerate the ongoing abuse of this random practice and we would seriously appreciate your views and those of your Council regarding whether you believe that the spreading of 1080 poison by helicopter is acceptable in today's environmentally aware world. There are quite simply more sustainable ways of controlling our pests and we are looking for your support in advocating for a change for the better.

I look forward to hearing from you in the near future regarding our particular course of action and your views regarding whether you believe that together we will be able to change the way this or indeed any poison is applied to our "Clean and Green" Countryside.

Yours Sincerely

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Rick Cooper  
**Mayor**

CC: Cr Don Ormsby  
Ms Louise Upston  
Hon Georgina Te Heuheu  
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*A. Aquilina*

Dear stakeholder / iwi

I am writing to you on behalf of the Minister for the Environment, Nick Smith, the Minister for Economic Development, Gerry Brownlee, and myself, as the group of Ministers designated as responsible for bringing forward aquaculture reform proposals to Government. We are releasing, for your comment, the report and recommendations produced by the independent Aquaculture Technical Advisory Group (TAG) in order to seek your views to inform decisions by Government on reform of aquaculture legislation.

The Government is committed to creating an environment that is conducive to sustainable economic growth. Developing an effective and enabling regulatory regime for aquaculture is an important part of this wider goal.

The complexity, cost, and uncertainty of the current regime, along with poor incentives for development, are impeding aquaculture growth. No new space has been created under the 2004 aquaculture reforms and it is unlikely that any new space will be created for several more years. The ability to research and innovate is being stifled by inflexible rules that limit the ability to advance new technologies and higher value species. This represents a significant opportunity cost in terms of foregone aquaculture development and income.

The TAG was established in August 2009, to provide Government with independent recommendations to enable the development of sustainable aquaculture in New Zealand. A copy of their final report "Re-Starting Aquaculture" can be found on the Ministry of Fisheries website at <http://www.fish.govt.nz/en-nz/Consultations/default.htm>, as a platform to receive feedback on how to shape the reforms. We acknowledge the hard work of the TAG and the comprehensive job they have done in a tight timeframe to address the poor incentives and regulatory blocks to aquaculture growth under the current regime.

The TAG report provides a good foundation for progressing much needed reforms. We are however interested in wider views on adjustments to current arrangements that will enable aquaculture growth. In particular, we would appreciate proposals on how to deliver the settlement through the revised approach proposed by the TAG. We also would like your ideas on how to make the interface between aquaculture and fishing more efficient, for example through improved catch effort reporting to support assessment of the effect of aquaculture on fishing.

We would welcome receipt of views from stakeholders and iwi on the TAG report and other suggestions to enable aquaculture development. Because we want to improve legislative arrangements without delay, we intend that Cabinet considers proposals for reform early in

the New Year. In order to consider your views, we therefore seek submissions by Wednesday 16 December 2009.

Please provide your written responses to [aquaculturesubmissions@fish.govt.nz](mailto:aquaculturesubmissions@fish.govt.nz) or Aquaculture Submissions, Ministry of Fisheries, PO Box 1020, Wellington. Further information will be provided on the Ministry of Fisheries website at <http://www.fish.govt.nz/en-nz/Consultations/default.htm>.

Kind regards

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Phil Heatley". The signature is written in a cursive style with a small flourish at the end.

Hon Phil Heatley  
**Minister of Fisheries**