

RESOURCE CONSENT TREE

FILE:	TREE-55188
APPLICANT:	Sandspit Motor Camp
ADDRESS:	1334 Sandspit Road, Sandspit 0982
LEGAL DESCRIPTION:	Pt Allot 23 Psh Of Mahurangi CT 878/220 (4.148HA)
APPLICATION FOR:	Consent to remove Cottonwood Poplar trees from Sandspit Motor Camp

DECISION UNDER DELEGATED AUTHORITY

Pursuant to sections 104 and 108 of the Resource Management Act 1991, consent is **GRANTED** to the application for a Discretionary Activity for the reasons stated and subject to the conditions attached.

Ecology Adviser
Resource Management

Date

CONDITIONS

1. The proposed works hereby approved shall proceed in strict accordance with the details set out in the description of works attached to this consent along with any recommendations noted.
2. The works shall be undertaken by a suitably qualified arborist.
3. Tree replacement – Within the next planting season (May to October) immediately following the completion of the work on the site the consent holder shall plant four (4) native trees within the site, in a more preferable location, with a minimum size of Pb95 or of a height of no less than 1.8metres. The replacement trees shall be retained thereafter.
4. That the Council is informed as to when the planting works have been completed.

REASONS FOR APPROVAL

1. The proposal to remove the Poplar trees, from within the property, will have no more than a minor effect to the character or amenity of the area.
2. The removal of the Poplar trees, from within the property, will have no more than minor effects on the environment given their limited prominence and the existence of additional planting.
3. Overall the impact of the proposal upon the residential character and visual amenity of the street scene and wider area will be no more than minor having regard to the presence of additional planting in the locality and the retention of some landscaping within the Property.
4. The Poplar trees do not contribute significantly to the wildlife habitat of the area
5. The proposals are not considered to be contrary to the Objectives and Policies of the relevant planning documents.
6. The proposed works are considered to be sound Arboricultural practice and will enable the retained trees to develop to their full potential, enhancing the visual amenity of the area.
7. The proposals are consistent with Part II – the Purpose and Principles of the Resource Management Act 1991 in that they do not generate any adverse effects which are more than minor.

ADVICE NOTE

A resource consent lapses on the expiry of five years after the date of commencement of the consent, or after the expiry of such shorter or longer period as is expressly provided for in the consent.

If you disagree with the decision or any condition imposed on the consent, you may either:

- *Lodge an objection with the Council to review the decision/condition(s). Your objection must be in writing and lodged with the Council within 15 working days of receiving this letter. You should include with the objection reasons as to why you are seeking the review. The Council will consider the objection by way of a hearing, at which you and/or your representative may present evidence.*

or

- *Lodge an appeal with the Environment Court. The appeal must be lodged with the Court and Council within 15 days of receiving this letter and is in the proper format. It is suggested that if you do intend to lodge an appeal, you obtain legal advice to ensure that the appeal is valid.*

You may not start any work on the proposal/consent if you intend to lodge an objection with the Council.

Note: You must check that your title is not limited by any restrictive covenant or consent notice to which any works may need to conform.

RECOMMENDATIONS

1. The tree stock is to be eco-sourced
2. The new planting be mulched.
3. Staked for support in a preferred and recognized way. Preferably sheltered to stop animal damage.
4. The new planting be kept free from weeds and other invasive plants that may inhibit the growth in its early growth (min three years)
5. The new planting be fertilized in initial planting to encourage good growth and form.
6. If any of the trees should die – it be replaced as soon as practicably possible in the first available planting season.