

Risk Matrix for Resource Consent Abatement Notices – January 2025

Location	Abatement non-compliance	Environmental Risk	Operational Risk	Financial & Legal Risk	Reputational Risk	Mitigation / Actions	Residual Risk
Ōpononi/Omāpere Wastewater Treatment Plant	E.coli levels					Capital works identified with FY25 budgetary provision available. Desludging and wetland reinstatement scheduled for completion February 2025. In pond and UV installation designed with construction expected by 30 June 2025	Low risk of non-compliant levels of E.coli driven by weather conditions.
Kaitāia Wastewater Network overflows	Unconsented overflows from the Kaitāia wastewater network					Network upgrade at Donald Rd nearing completion. Tender award for network storage scheduled for Council February 2025, construction to commence FY25	Programme of pipe renewals to upgrade the network will mitigate the possibility of overflows.
Ahipara Wastewater Treatment Plant	Faecal coliform levels					Installation of SC-UV treatment complete. Six month testing to verify compliance nearing completion. Abatement cancellation expected by 30 June 2025	Working Group established and further remedial works on the wetlands identified are in progress
Waitangi River water take	Lack of information on water volume readings					O&M contractor is to confirm maintenance programme of instrumentation that will support compliance.	Establish field audits to confirm compliance is being met - reliance on external contractor
Awanui River water take	Lack of meter verification					O&M contractor is to confirm maintenance programme of instrumentation that will support compliance.	Establish field audits to confirm compliance is being met - reliance on external contractor
Ōpononi water flow meter	Lack of meter verification					Issued in error as facility not in use for several years - Abatement Notice cancelled 21 January 2025	N/A
Kohukohu Wastewater Treatment Plant	Faecal coliform and ammonia levels					In pond improvements can be completed upon completion of desludging of ponds programmed for delivery from February - April 2025. Local community working group established with regular meetings to provide progress updates on planned improvements.	Low risk of non-compliant levels of faecal coliform and ammonia levels once desludging completed
Russell Landfill	Leachate volumes discharging from Landfill to Wastewater Treatment Plant					On-going issue previously investigated and appears to be linked to rainfall events surging leachate levels. Requires a storage/buffer solution that allows flows to the wastewater treatment plant to be controlled.	Active management of both the source environment (Solid Waste) and receiving environment (Wastewater) required on an on-going basis.
Kerikeri Sports Complex wastewater system	Lack of dripper line maintenance to level specified in consent					Completion of required recovering of dripper line underway with completion expected in February 2025.	Requires District Facility Operations to establish a maintenance plan
	Lack of wastewater reports as per consent					Contract negotiations underway ensuring reporting is a contract responsibility. Abatement Notice will move to infringement stage if ongoing reporting/compliance not maintained.	Establish process to confirm reporting/compliance is met - reliance on external contractor