

## Michaela Tinker

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**Subject:** HBRC - Notified Consent Omarunui Landfill [#11]

**Which consent does your submission relate to: \***

- APP-125003

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**Are you a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308B of the RMA 1991 \***

No

**IF YES: Are you directly affected by an effect of the proposed activity that adversely effects the environment and does not relate to, or the effects of trade competition**

No

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**\*** I/We support the above application

**The specific parts of the application that my submission relates to are** 125046-01 Discharge contaminants to air. 125115-01 discharge of contaminants to land area B.

(please enter  
the relevant  
number)

**My submission is: (you may attach submission detail to this form)**

**\* Include the reasons for your views**

Our submission is that the Landfill property was purchased for the purpose of disposal of the Hastings District and Napier City municipal waste. It is ideally sited close to the centre of the region it serves and has been very well managed under the governance structure put in place. Waste management is an essential Council Service that protects the community from health problems e.g. disease and or contamination from waste not efficiently and safely disposed of. There is no better example of how the local Councils were able to very efficiently adapt and respond to the problems associated with the wet contaminated waste created by the Napier Floods in November 2020. This allowed residents and businesses to quickly start their recovery without undue delay.

There appears to be too little evaluation and weighting of the cost benefit to the district (residents and business) that having an efficient well managed facility offers the community. The provision of such a fundamental service cannot be at any cost. There are substantial cost increases legislated in the years ahead with the waste disposal levy and under the emissions trading scheme charges rising. The Landfill is owned and managed by the local Councils who report transparently to all stakeholders on the operation and compliance of the landfill. The Landfill operating costs have to be recovered by the charges imposed on waste disposal. Excessively protracted resource consent hearings and requirements for further reports by specialist consultants all has to be paid for by the public and business users of the landfill.

We fully support the Councils Consent Applications to open Area B within the existing landfill site which is being developed to meet the best practice landfill design principles.

**I seek the following decision from the Hawke's Bay Regional Council:**

**\* Give precise details, including the parts of the application you wish to have amended and the general nature of any conditions sought**

Progressive Leathers Limited supports the Consent Applications as they have been submitted to the HBRC. In particular the discharge of contaminants to air and note that in the Tonkin and Taylor Report on Discharge to Air "the proposed filling of Area B (at the cessation of filling of Area D) will reduce the potential exposure of occupants of neighbouring dwellings in the surrounding area to odour and dust from landfilling activities". The number of rural dwellings within the 500 m radius

of the new landfill area B will drop to only 1 rural dwelling. A detailed mitigation plan has been prepared to manage any situations should an odour be created in the operation of the landfill.

We also support Consent Application 125115-01 Discharge of Contaminants to land Area B. This is the primary service activity of a municipal landfill which has been extensively considered by experienced professional consultants in the respective reports submitted with the application.

We do not consider that additional restrictive conditions should be imposed upon the operation of the landfill. It is our contention that the consent should be approved for the period sought 35 years.

**I wish to be  
heard in  
support of  
my  
submission \***

No

**If others  
make a  
similar  
submission,  
I will  
consider  
presenting a  
joint case  
with them at  
the hearing \***

No

**I wish to  
attend any  
pre-hearing  
meeting that  
may be  
convened. \***

No