

Silt Recovery Taskforce guide: Managing wood waste

The Silt Recovery Taskforce is supporting landowners around Hawke's Bay working to clean up their property by collecting silt, mixed waste, and debris from their property as a result of Cyclone Gabrielle. This infosheet tells you about the process of managing woody debris, collecting it, and processing it.

REQUESTING A COLLECTION OF WOODY DEBRIS

If you need woody debris collected from your property you can log a collection request by calling 0800 108 838 or head to the Regional Council website at [hbrc.info/silt](https://www.hbrc.govt.nz/info/silt) to fill in an online request form. We will work on your property to clean up the woody debris and find a solution for managing it.

Wood debris management may be onsite management either by chipping or mulching, stockpiles and removal, or (if appropriate) burning of wood piles.

A Silt Recovery Taskforce assessment officer can help you work through what debris should be removed, or if it stays how this could be integrated. Contact 0800 108 838 or email waste@hbrc.govt.nz to get in touch with an assessment officer.



For information on funds available to support you visit the [Hawke's Bay Funding website](https://www.hbrc.govt.nz/funding). A specific sediment and silt recovery fund for commercial entities is open for applications until 31 August (more info can be found on our website [hbrc.info/silt](https://www.hbrc.govt.nz/info/silt)). Volunteer support can be found through the [Enhanced Taskforce Green](https://www.hbrc.govt.nz/enhanced-taskforce-green).

Please note, this collection does not include green waste, this is the responsibility of the landowner.



What happens once it's collected

Once collected the woody debris will be transported to one of our processing sites which will screen and remove the silt from the material. Once separated, tested and confirmed clean, the silt will be taken to a silt deposit site. The challenge to set this up has delayed our collection of silt mixed with debris, and we appreciate the patience of the community.