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**From:** Moana Smith-Dunlop  
**Sent:** Monday, 27 May 2024 3:47 pm  
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**Cc:** DLVC\_MANAWATU DISTRICT COUNCIL; helen.worboys@mdc.govt.nz; Chelsea Kenny  
**Subject:** FW: WA-219 Pukepuke lagoon easement concession  
**Attachments:** WA-219 suspension letter.pdf; Manawatu District Council Easement WA 219.pdf

Tēnā kōe Andrew and Hamish,

Manawatu District Council has concession with the Department of Conservation at Pukepuke Lagoon. This concession was suspended due to non-compliance. I called the Council today to discuss this matter with you before I cancel the concession. We have made attempts to contact the council as you can see from the email below however have had no response.

If you could call to discuss the matter that would be wonderful.

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**From:** Chelsea Kenny  
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**Subject:** WA-219 Pukepuke lagoon easement concession

Tēnā kōe Andrew,

In 2022, Manawātū District Council Concession (WA-219) **was suspended** at Pukepuke Lagoon Conservation Area (see attached letter) for the easement, usage, and maintenance of stormwater structures. **The concession remains suspended.**

The rationale behind the suspension was the discernible non-compliance with the contractual provisions pertaining to environmental monitoring and reporting. More specifically Schedule 3, 'Spillway' and 'Water level Monitoring' sections. An aspect of the suspension letter was to clarify the monitoring requirements and provide the opportunity for an environmental programme/plan to be developed.

In accordance with the letter, the deadline for the submission of an environmental plan/programme was set for March 31, 2022. An informal extension was granted due to David Flintoff's active engagement with the Department and collaboration with iwi, particularly Rangitāne, to advance the development of an environmental plan. However, since David's departure, there has been a lack of communication or response from yourself.

**We firmly request an update on the progress of the environmental plan.** Simultaneously, I am in the process of seeking internal legal advice concerning the cancellation procedure, encompassing the removal of structures and the formal termination of the concession.

Please don't hesitate to contact me via email or phone.

Ngā mihi,

**Chelsea Kenny**

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