

Environmental and Resource Management

Resource Management Act 1991 and the Regulations

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Environmental Proclamation

Resource Management Success



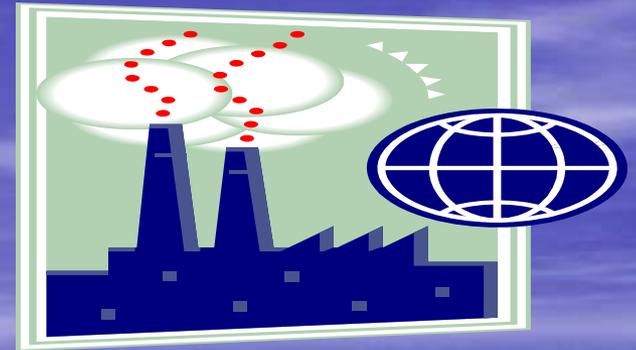
The Resource Management Act 1991 applies to all businesses in NZ. It is modeled on International Law.

Nearly all NZ businesses think that they automatically comply with all of the environmental laws. A tiny fraction of them actually do comply with NZ laws at the present time.

For example, only 1% of NZ businesses are qualified to send environmentally approved products to developed countries such as Japan the UK and USA. They face heavy trade protection barriers when they export to Europe and other advanced countries.

Environmental Protection

Resource Management Scenery



The NZ Government requires that all businesses contribute to and or support policies aimed at the protection of our environment.

Part of the mission is the eradication of pests that destroy our bird life, our fauna, our bees and fruit trees.

It also implies that our scenery will not be damaged with smoke or effluent or disruptive and noisy industries.

It also means control of noxious plants and trees or creepers that take over the native bush.

Environmental Planning



Resource Management Standards

All organisations are required to plan for protection of the environment in all of its dimensions.

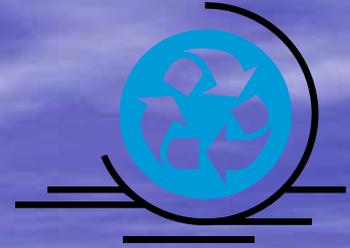
Planning is to include people and all stakeholders. It must be designed to protect the air, the water and the soil plus a considerable list of other natural resources.

Standards are to be determined, assessed, implemented and monitored for adherence and conformance.

There must be evidence of a management system and annual external audit. Certification is the simplest proof.

Environmental Policies

Resource Management System



RESOURCE & ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM



Environmental Purpose



Resource Management Scope

BENEFITS OF AN ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

- A. Assure clients of commitment to environmental management principles
- B. Maintain good public and community relations
- C. Satisfy investor criteria and improve access to capital
- D. Obtaining insurance at reasonable cost
- E. Enhancing image and improving market share
- F. Improving cost control; Reducing incidents that may result in liability
- G. Conserving input materials and expensive energy
- H. Facilitating the achievement of permits / authorisations plus requirements
- I. Promoting environmental awareness with clients, contractors and staff
- J. Fostering and developing solutions towards an improved environment

Environmental Programme

Resource Management Statement



Currently, Tourism is the number two earner of overseas funds for NZ. It could possibly become number one.

Some other nations envy our scenery and reputation. They even want to copy what we do.

We have some of the very best scenery in the world for the most expensive movies ever made.

We can still find and select enough actors who are capable of talking clearly and fluently in the Queen's English.

Environmental Promotion

Resource Management Substitutes



We do not need to make huge hydro storage lakes to generate electricity.

We can put windmills in unobtrusive places if we want to think about it and plan for it in a proper manner.

We can generate electricity using thermal energy and other natural resources that we have.

We can provide insulation systems to improve our housing and we can reduce the need for electricity. We can find other ways to reduce energy costs.

Environmental Priorities

Resource Management Superb
State



We can choose to plant many more trees instead of melting our glaciers and destroying our solar canopy or ozone layer.

We can choose to make cities like other clever countries. Cities that happen to be a few kilometres square and do not require huge infrastructure and do not need to collect incredibly high rates.

Most efficient cities do not need spaghetti junctions and triple flyovers. They require intensive land use. People can easily be housed near the city hub and can walk to work in the time that we take to have a bath or shower.

Environmental Principles

Resource Management Sustainability



Our beaches can be for the benefit of all peoples or for those who think they should own them / control them.

We can learn about the first nation Waitaha who came here in 960 AD from South America, via Antarctica (the land of the long white cloud) – landing at Waitaha River in South Westland. They migrated to Otago, Kaikoura plus Chatham Is - which has a capital called Waitangi.

We can learn about the people of the first nation, their peaceable nature, their values, principles and respect for the environment. We need to learn what happened to them and what this now means for our nation.

Environmental Prosperity

Resource Management Stringencies



The United Nations has traditionally ruled in favour of the real first peoples in every land. DNA checks please? A few of the tribes might be real first peoples.

We can decide to use exotic trees and harvest them on our land and make huge export income. OR....

We can say that exotic trees do not belong here and that only native trees have a proper place.

We can pretend that we look after our habitat, our special species and our precious treasures.

We can manage our fisheries, our farmland and forests. OR we can let them go to ruin.

Environmental Prosperity

Resource Management Subsidies



We can decide to find out about subsidies available for water storage systems, irrigation system upgrades, water abstraction efficiencies, water conservation, water management and optimum distribution.

It is believed that Irrigation NZ, Dairy NZ, Beef & Lamb and possibly other farming groups have worked through special initiatives with NZ Government under which the Government has agreed to provide significant subsidy.

We understand that there are two large schemes with NZ Govt subsidy of \$70 million per annum for ten years. The basis is 1:1 for serious / genuine applicants.

Environmental Productivity

Resource Management Sea Life



We can decide to protect our coastal areas and sea life from pollution. OR we can systematically wipe out all of our sea life and shellfish.

We can tell other nations that we are the most clever people in the world with the best principles and values.

We don't need to tell them about our failures such as Moas & Pauas or the bringing of Possums and many other pests here.

And yes it is NOT okay to sell all of our precious gem stones to foreigners.

Environmental Propensity



Resource Management Seals

We can be so zealous as to protect fur seals until they wipe out nearly all of our local southern fisheries.

We can require huge fines or imprisonment for those who chase them away. We can be very conservation minded and pretend that it is our new religion.

We can place special protective measures for colonies of supposedly endangered birds such as gannets.

We can ignore the need to have balanced policies so that our environment is protected in terms of people first - then the birds, bees and the trees.

Environmental Practicality



Resource Management Sentiments

We can lobby politicians to prevent opencast mining even if it means the deaths of hundreds of people. The Brunner mine disaster caused about 200 deaths alone.

Even if the native trees would automatically restore within 60 to 80 years - people do not matter as much.

We can decide to sent 90% of our water from the Southern Alps straight down to the sea without any benefit for mankind or productivity for the nation.

Or we can think about storage systems for the water such as retention dams and downstream ponds to generate hundreds of thousands of jobs.

Environmental Productivity

Resource Management Subliminity



Or we can believe that people (humans) are the final & least important, link in the Darwin chain of evolution. We must surely pay homage to the whales and snails.

Some people go to extremes. They consider that plants, animals, insects and birds are much more important than we are and deserve reverence / worship by us.

We need to have balanced views and to believe that people are the most valuable creation on this planet with real potential to manage, promote and protect all the species in harmony and in the correct order.

Environmental Productivity

Resource Management - Source of oxygen – building block of planet



We can pretend that the trees are the generators of oxygen for our planet (they do make a contribution) or we can do some serious studies and learn real facts.

We need to find out about phytoplankton to see where the real oxygen comes from for our planet. We may also need to find out about photosynthesis to learn how carbon dioxide is converted to useful energy/sugar by plants and algae.

We may unfortunately also find out that the food chain of the sea has a much more important role to play than we ever thought.

What will happen if we decide that it is okay to deplete the oxygen generators of the planet?

Environmental Progress

Resource Management Spaghetti



Do we actually want spaghetti junctions all around NZ with huge cities that are spread out to make sure that ratepayers pay \$10,000 to \$20,000 rates per annum?

Do we have respect for the land and not let it grow gorse and broom as the flower power people would radically advocate for the purpose of hiding illicit crops?

We can promote regulations to protect our environment and our people or we can show our silly contempt for international standards.

Environmental Penalties



Resource Management Societal

Transport does not have to be a million miles of tarseal or a shorter length of serious concrete! We do not have to spend two hours per day traveling to/from work! We do not have to think that super highways are the only way of shipping goods around NZ.

We do not have to spend several hours per week mowing lawns and or spraying weeds. It is possible for us to make social, societal and scientific gains if we want to.

It is also possible to make gains that will increase our productivity, prosperity and propensity for abundant life.

Environmental Pragmatism

Resource Management Specifications



We do not need wallabies or kangaroos. We need to make sure that we have environmental accreditation and certification.

To achieve this we will have a proper management system for our company.

We will have our policies identified and we will have the important principles specified for training purposes.

It is time for our company to be successful and also to be accountable and profitable.

Environmental Proof

Resource Management Structures



We need to train our staff in the principles that we need to adhere to and embrace.

We need to train our supervisors and leading hands to ensure that our staff follow our directions.

We need to have awards and penalties for good and poor performances. We need to require our suppliers and contractors to provide evidence of conformance.

We need to have external reviews and annual certification so that we can issue proof to other parties.

Environmental Platform

Resource Management Summit Systems



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