

**Reprint
as at 24 October 1934**



**Wairau River Board Empowering
Act 1934**

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An Act to enable the Wairau River Board to divert the Waihopai River or part thereof

Preamble

Whereas it is desirable in the public interests for the purposes of water supply that the Waihopai River, or part of the waters thereof, should be diverted from a point outside the Wairau

Note

Changes authorised by section 17C of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989 have been made in this reprint.

A general outline of these changes is set out in the notes at the end of this reprint, together with other explanatory material about this reprint.

River District to the bed of the Opawa River within such river district:

And whereas the Wairau River Board is prepared to carry out and maintain such diversion if empowered to do so.

1 Short Title

This Act may be cited as the Wairau River Board Empowering Act 1934.

2 Authorising Wairau River Board to divert Waihopai River

- (1) The Wairau River Board (hereinafter referred to as the **Board**) is hereby empowered to enter upon any land outside the Wairau River District (hereinafter referred to as **such district**) and divert the Waihopai River, or any portion of the waters thereof, from any point within the space of 2 miles beyond the upstream boundary of such district and carry the waters so diverted by artificial or natural channels to the bed of the Opawa River within such district, and do all things as may in the opinion of the Board be necessary to effectually carry out and maintain such diversion and the works connected therewith.
- (2) For the purpose of undertaking and carrying out the afore-said diversion, and without restricting the powers hereinbefore conferred, the Board may from time to time, at its discretion,—
 - (a) straighten, shorten, divert, deepen, widen, or diminish the width of, or alter the course of, the Waihopai River within the said space of 2 miles beyond the upstream boundary of such district, and construct and maintain diversion channels, stop banks, groynes, floodgates, protective and other works in, upon, or about the bed or banks of the said river or of channels constructed from such river to the Opawa River within such district:
 - (b) divert, raise, lower, or alter roads, bridges, and culverts where in the opinion of the Board they interfere with any works constructed or authorised hereunder:
provided that before interfering with any road, bridge, or culvert the Board shall give not less than 1 month's notice in writing to the local authority having the con-

trol of such road, bridge, or culvert, and if such local authority objects to such interference the matter shall be referred to the Minister of Public Works, whose decision shall be final:

- (c) remove any trees or obstructions to the Waihopai River or to any channels or works constructed hereunder:
- (d) cleanse, repair, and maintain in a due state of efficiency any channel or other works constructed by the Board under the powers conferred by this Act:
- (e) exercise any of the powers and authorities conferred on the Board by the River Boards Act 1908 as though the works to be carried out or constructed hereunder were wholly within such district and were for the purposes of protection from flood waters.

3 Certain works to be property of Board

Every channel, floodgate, box, valve, stop bank, or other work constructed or maintained by the Board shall be deemed to be the property of the Board; and any person doing any act whereby any such channel, floodgate, box, valve, stop bank, or other work may be damaged or its efficiency impaired, or doing any work or thing which prevents, obstructs, or impedes the Board in carrying out or doing any of the works hereby authorised, commits an offence and is liable to a fine not exceeding 100 pounds.

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Notes

1 *General*

This is a reprint of the Wairau River Board Empowering Act 1934. The reprint incorporates all the amendments to the Act as at 24 October 1934, as specified in the list of amendments at the end of these notes.

Relevant provisions of any amending enactments that contain transitional, savings, or application provisions that cannot be compiled in the reprint are also included, after the principal enactment, in chronological order. For more information, see <http://www.pco.parliament.govt.nz/reprints/>.

2 *Status of reprints*

Under section 16D of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989, reprints are presumed to correctly state, as at the date of the reprint, the law enacted by the principal enactment and by the amendments to that enactment. This presumption applies even though editorial changes authorised by section 17C of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989 have been made in the reprint.

This presumption may be rebutted by producing the official volumes of statutes or statutory regulations in which the principal enactment and its amendments are contained.

3 *How reprints are prepared*

A number of editorial conventions are followed in the preparation of reprints. For example, the enacting words are not included in Acts, and

provisions that are repealed or revoked are omitted. For a detailed list of the editorial conventions, see <http://www.pco.parliament.govt.nz/editorial-conventions/> or Part 8 of the *Tables of New Zealand Acts and Ordinances and Statutory Regulations and Deemed Regulations in Force*.

4 *Changes made under section 17C of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989*

Section 17C of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989 authorises the making of editorial changes in a reprint as set out in sections 17D and 17E of that Act so that, to the extent permitted, the format and style of the reprinted enactment is consistent with current legislative drafting practice. Changes that would alter the effect of the legislation are not permitted. A new format of legislation was introduced on 1 January 2000. Changes to legislative drafting style have also been made since 1997, and are ongoing. To the extent permitted by section 17C of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989, all legislation reprinted after 1 January 2000 is in the new format for legislation and reflects current drafting practice at the time of the reprint.

In outline, the editorial changes made in reprints under the authority of section 17C of the Acts and Regulations Publication Act 1989 are set out below, and they have been applied, where relevant, in the preparation of this reprint:

- omission of unnecessary referential words (such as “of this section” and “of this Act”)
- typeface and type size (Times Roman, generally in 11.5 point)
- layout of provisions, including:
 - indentation
 - position of section headings (eg, the number and heading now appear above the section)
- format of definitions (eg, the defined term now appears in bold type, without quotation marks)
- format of dates (eg, a date formerly expressed as “the 1st day of January 1999” is now expressed as “1 January 1999”)

- position of the date of assent (it now appears on the front page of each Act)
- punctuation (eg, colons are not used after definitions)
- Parts numbered with roman numerals are replaced with arabic numerals, and all cross-references are changed accordingly
- case and appearance of letters and words, including:
 - format of headings (eg, headings where each word formerly appeared with an initial capital letter followed by small capital letters are amended so that the heading appears in bold, with only the first word (and any proper nouns) appearing with an initial capital letter)
 - small capital letters in section and subsection references are now capital letters
- schedules are renumbered (eg, Schedule 1 replaces First Schedule), and all cross-references are changed accordingly
- running heads (the information that appears at the top of each page)
- format of two-column schedules of consequential amendments, and schedules of repeals (eg, they are rearranged into alphabetical order, rather than chronological).

5 *List of amendments incorporated in this reprint
(most recent first)*
