

# **Christchurch Wastewater Treatment Plant**

# **Annual Monitoring Report**

July 2017 - June 2018

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# **Summary**

This report summarises the results of parameters monitored by the Christchurch Wastewater Treatment Plant (CWTP) over the period July 2017 – June 2018 in accordance with consent CRC051724. Consent CRC051724 allows the discharge of treated wastewater from the CWTP Oxidation Ponds into the Pegasus Bay Coastal Marine Area via an ocean outfall.

Of the comprehensive sampling programme required by the consents, samples were collected during the monitoring period and the monitored parameters achieved compliance with the required standards.

There were two exceedances of the faecal coliforms standard value throughout the year. One of those results was also above the higher value. There were two exceedances of the Enterococci standard value of 1,500 MPN/100mL. There was one exceedance of the Total suspended solids standard value of 50 g/m3. There was one exceedance of the Ammoniacal Nitrogen standard value of 40 g/m3. None of these results triggered the requirement to notify Environment Canterbury and the Medical Officer of Health for Canterbury within 48hrs.

The five-yearly marine environment monitoring that was not completed in 2017 has now been completed in 2018, the report has been provided to Environment Canterbury, and is included with this report. This work will be repeated in 2022 to return to schedule.

Council's treated wastewater discharge into the Pegasus Bay Coastal Marine Area via an ocean outfall continues to be operated in compliance with the resource consent CRC051724.

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# **Outfall Discharge**

## **Resource Consent Conditions**

Table 1.1.1 Pond Discharge Consent Compliance for Monitoring Period July 2017 – June 2018 CRC051724

Consent								-	Compli	ance					
Condition	Parameter	Compliance Condition	Jul- 17	Aug -17	Sep -17	Oct- 17	Nov -17	Dec -17	Jan- 18	Feb- 18	Mar- 18	Apr- 18	May -18	Jun- 18	Overall
2	Discharge Content	Discharge is only wastewater from the CWTP ponds	©	$\odot$	(()	()									
3	Discharge Volume	Recorded	$\odot$	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	©	©
4	Discharge Rate	Recorded	$\odot$	$\odot$	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	()
9	Outfall Maintenance	Routine maintenance completed and recorded	$\odot$	<b>③</b>	(i)	(i)	(i)	(i)	(3)	$\odot$	$\odot$	(i)	$\odot$	$\odot$	<b>©</b>
10	Outfall Condition	Visual inspection of outfall	n/a	(C)											
12	Pumping Pressure for a given flow	Monitored	©	©	©	©	©	©	©	©	©	©	©	©	<b>©</b>

Key: © Full Compliance © Minor, Isolated or Risk of Non-Compliance © Major or Consistent Non-Compliance

### 1.2 Comments on Resource Consent Conditions

The Ocean Outfall Pumping Station has operated within expected parameters and is comparable with last year's performance. The discharge flows and pressures were recorded as noted in the quarterly reports.

**Figure 1.2.1** - Daily Outfall Flow Totals Jul 2017 – Jun 2018

### **CWTP Ocean Outfall Daily Flow Totals**

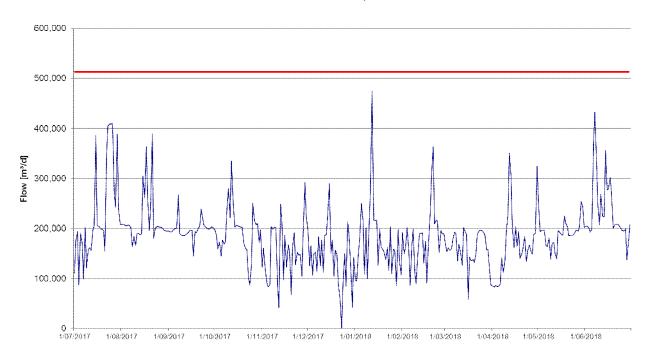


Figure 1.2.2 - Daily Peak Outfall Flows Jul 2017 - Jun 2018

#### Pond 6 Peak Discharge Flow Rate (m3/s)



### 1.3 Resource Consent Standard Conditions

**Table 1.3.1** Contaminant Limits Consent Compliance Jul 2017 – Jun 2018 CRC051724

Consent									Compl	iance					
Consent Condition	Parameter	Compliance Condition	Jul- 17	Aug -17	Sep -17	Oct- 17	Nov -17	Dec -17	Jan- 18	Feb- 18	Mar- 18	Apr- 18	May -18	Jun- 18	Overall
	Dissolved BOD <sub>5</sub>	Concentration does not exceed 20 g/m <sup>3</sup>	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	©	©	(3)	(3)	(3)	©	<b>©</b>
15a	Total Suspended Solids	Concentration does not exceed 50 g/m <sup>3</sup>	(3)	(3)		(3)	(3)	(3)	$\odot$	(i)	(3)	(3)	(3)	©	<u>•</u>
	Ammoniacal Nitrogen	Concentration does not exceed 40 g/m <sup>3</sup>		(3)	(()	(3)	(3)	(3)	©	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	(3)	<u>@</u>
16a	Faecal Coliforms	Concentration does not exceed 1,000(standard)/5,000(higher) MPN/100mL	©		©	(3)	(i)	<b>③</b>	©		(3)	(3)	(3)	<b>:</b>	<u>@</u>
100	Enterococci	Concentration does not exceed 1,500 MPN/100mL	$\odot$			<u> </u>									

Key: © Compliance Achieved with no Exceedance of Standard

## 1.4 Comments on Resource Consent Standard Conditions

In general, the Ocean Outfall Pumping Station has operated within expected parameters and is broadly similar to last year's performance.

<sup>©</sup> Compliance Achieved with Occasional Exceedance of Standard Standard Standard resulting in Non-Compliance

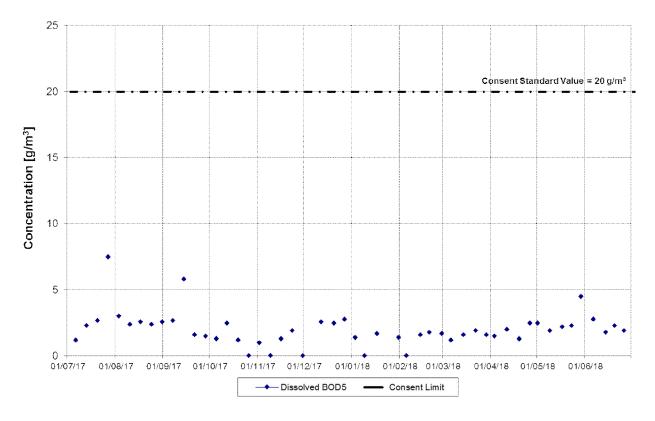
## 1.5 Dissolved BOD<sub>5</sub> Compliance

Table 1.5.1 Pond Discharge Dissolved BOD<sub>5</sub>

Median Value [g/m³] Current Monitoring Period (July 2017 - June 2018)	1.9	Number of Exceedances Current Monitoring Period (July 2017 - June 2018)	0
Median Value [g/m³] Previous Monitoring Period (July 2016 - June 2017)	2.25	Number of Exceedances Previous Monitoring Period (July 2016 - June 2017)	0

There were no values exceeding the  $20g/m^3$  limit recorded for the current year. The median value for the current reporting period was lower than the previous period.

1.5.2 Pond Discharge Dissolved BOD<sub>5</sub>



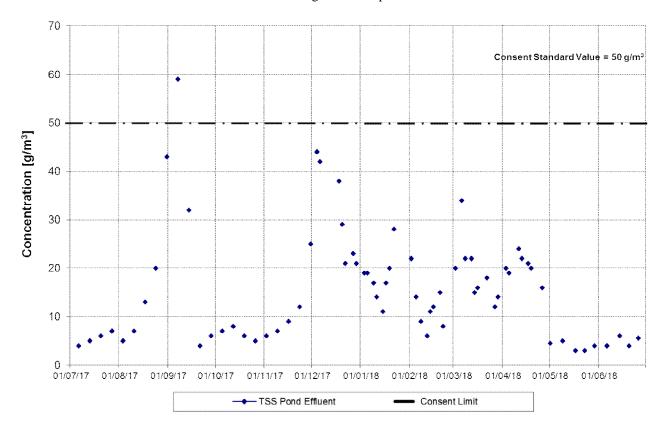
## 1.6 Total Suspended Solids Compliance

Table 1.6.1 Pond Discharge Total Suspended Solids

Median Value [g/m³] Current Monitoring Period (July 2017 - June 2018)	14	Number of Exceedances Current Monitoring Period (July 2017 - June 2018)	1
Median Value [g/m³] Previous Monitoring Period (July 2016 - June 2017)	13	Number of Exceedances Previous Monitoring Period (July 2016 - June 2017)	1

There was one value exceeding the 50g/m3 limit recorded for the current year. The median value for the current reporting period was same than the previous period.

1.6.2 Pond Discharge Total Suspended Solids



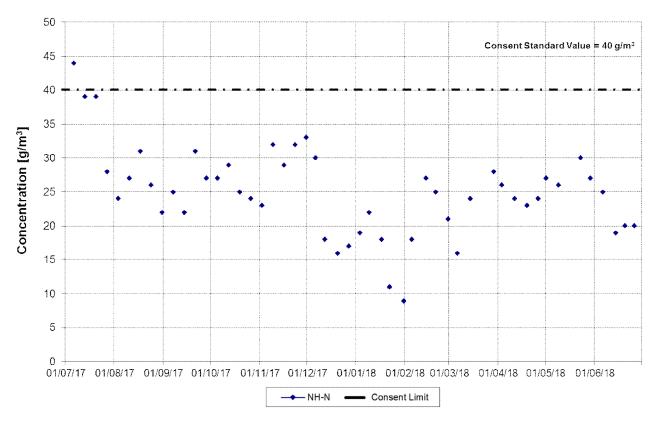
## 1.7 Ammonia Nitrogen Compliance

Table 1.7.1 Pond Discharge Ammoniacal Nitrogen

Median Value [g/m³] Current Monitoring Period (July 2017 - June 2018)	25	Number of Exceedances Current Monitoring Period (July 2017 - June 2018)	1
Median Value [g/m³] Previous Monitoring Period (July 2016 - June 2017)	31	Number of Exceedances Previous Monitoring Period (July 2016 - June 2017)	1

There was one value exceeding 40g/m3 recorded for current year. The median value for the current period was lower than the previous reporting period.

1.7.1 Pond Discharge Ammoniacal Nitrogen



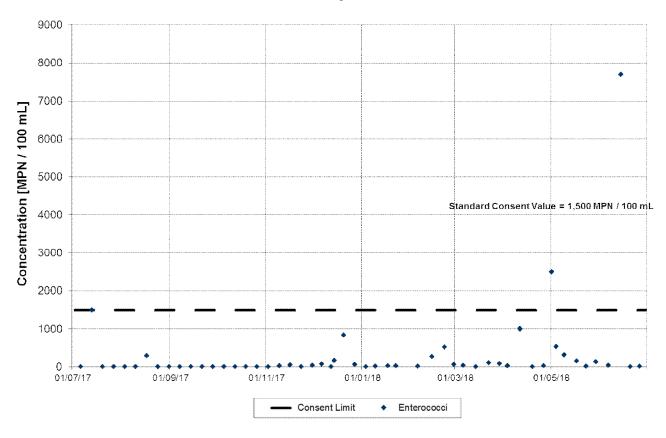
## 1.8 Enterococci Monitoring

Table 1.8.1 Pond Discharge Enterococci

Median Value [MPN/100ml] Current Monitoring Period (July 2017 - June 2018)	52	Number of Exceedances Current Monitoring Period (July 2017 - June 2018)	2	
Median Value [MPN/100ml] Previous Monitoring Period (July 2016 - June 2017)	20	Number of Exceedances Previous Monitoring Period (July 2016 - June 2017)	0	

There were 2 exceedances of the standard consent value (1,500 MPN/100mL) in the current year. The median value was higher than the previous period.

1.8.1 Pond Discharge Enterococci



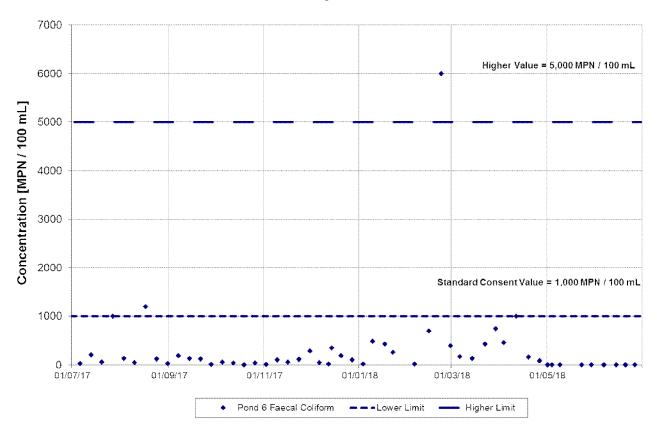
## 1.9 Faecal Coliform Compliance

Table 1.9.1 Pond Discharge Faecal Coliforms

Median Value [MPN/100ml] Current Monitoring Period (July 2017 - June 2018)	130	Number of Exceedances of Lower Limit Current Monitoring Period (July 2017 - June 2018)	2
Median Value [MPN/100ml] Previous Monitoring Period (July 2016 - June 2017)	80	Number of Exceedances of Lower Limit Previous Monitoring Period (July 2016 - June 2017)	2

There were two sample results above the standard consent limit, with one of those above the higher consent limit. The median for this year is higher than the previous period.

1.9.1 Pond Discharge Faecal Coliforms



## 1.10 Other Pathogenic, and Other Contaminants

### Condition 13e

Giardia cysts, cryptosporidium, salmonella, enterovirus, adenovirus and campylobacter levels have been measured and reported in April 2018.

### Condition 13f

Heavy metals (copper, chromium, nickel, zinc, cadmium, lead, arsenic, and mercury) were measured and reported July 2017 and January 2018.

## Condition 13g

Organochlorine pesticides, organophosphate pesticides, PCBs, and polycyclic aromatic hydrocarbons were last analysed in September 2017 and reported in the November 2017 quarterly report.

# 2 Receiving Environment Monitoring in Pegasus Bay

## Water Quality Resource Consent Conditions

Table 2.1.1 Receiving Environment Water Quality Consent Compliance July 2017 – June 2018

Consent	<b>.</b> .	0 11 0 1141	Compliance								
Condition	Parameter	Compliance Condition	Jul - Oct 17	Nov –Jan 18	Feb – Apr 18	May - Jun 18	Overall				
18	Faecal Coliforms	Sampled and Analysed	$\odot$	$\odot$	$\odot$	©	$\odot$				
	Enterococci	Sampled and Analysed	$\odot$	☺	©	<b>©</b>	$\odot$				
22a¹	Temperature	Two yearly	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a				
	DO	Two yearly	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a				
	Salinity	Two yearly	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a				
	Total Suspended Solids	Two yearly	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a				
	Nitrogen Oxides	Two yearly	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a				
	Ammoniacal Nitrogen	Two yearly	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a				
	Dissolved Reactive Phosphorus	Two yearly	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a				
	Chlorophyll-a	Two yearly	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a				
	Trace Metals (arsenic, cadmium, copper, chromium, lead, nickel and zinc)	Two yearly	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a				
	Faecal Coliforms	Two yearly	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a				
	Enterococci	Two yearly	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a				
	Phytoplankton Species	Two yearly	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a				

Key: © Full Compliance

Minor, Isolated or Risk of Non-Compliance
Major or Consistent Non-Compliance

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Sampling is scheduled for 2019.

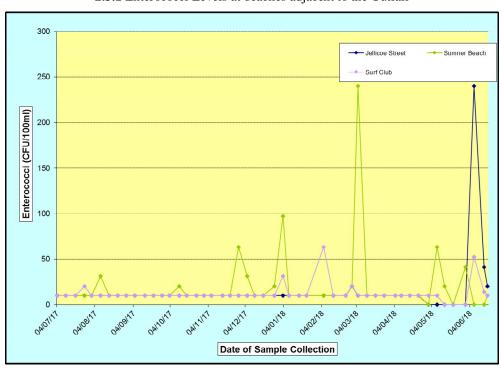
### 2.2 Comments on Compliance

Most results for the Pegasus Bay area were within consent for 2017-18. On 5 occasions follow-up sampling was required, with only the single follow-up sample required on each occasion for the level to return below the limit.

Testing for condition 22a was done February 2017 and reported to ECan. So is next due in 2019.

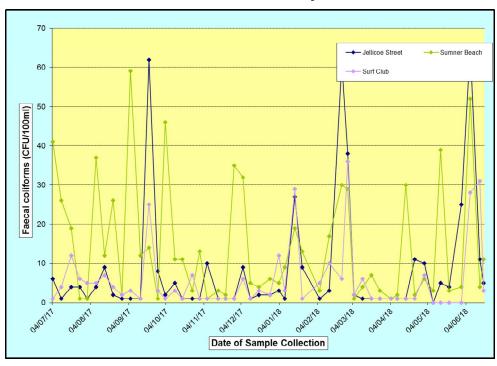
## 2.3 Beach Water Quality Analysis Results

Samples for condition 18 were taken at weekly intervals from the prescribed onshore locations. The results are presented in Figures 2.3.1 and 2.3.2. Retest results are contained in the appendices.



**2.3.1** Enterococci Levels at beaches adjacent to the Outfall





## 2.4 Other Receiving Environment Analysis

Consent conditions 23, 25, 26 and 27 call for monitoring of the marine environment around the outfall at various frequencies and were identified in the AEE. These requirements are summarised in Table 2.4.1. The results are attached to the quarterly reports covering the same period.

 Table 2.4.1 Receiving Environment Monitoring Consent Compliance Jul 2017 - Jun 2018

Consent	Parameter	Frequency	Compliance Condition			Compliance		
Condition	ondition		Compilation Containen	Jul - Oct 17	Nov –Jan 18	Feb – Apr 18	May - Jun 18	Overall
23	Marine Sediments	5-yearly	Delayed to 2018	n/a	n/a	$\odot$	n/a	$\odot$
25	Benthic Invertebrates	5-yearly	Delayed to 2018	n/a	n/a	©	n/a	©
26	Epibenthic Fauna	5-yearly	Delayed to 2018	n/a	n/a	☺	n/a	☺
27	Shellfish/Tuatua	Quarterly	Sampled and Analysed	$\odot$	$\odot$	$\odot$	©	$\odot$
29	Complaints	As required	Recorded and Reported	$\odot$	$\odot$	$\odot$	©	$\odot$
31	Report	Annually	Report and information lodged with ECan	©	n/a	n/a	n/a	©
32	Report	Quarterly	Report and information lodged with ECan	$\odot$	$\odot$	<b>©</b>	<b>©</b>	$\odot$
34	Management Plan	4 Years post commissioning	Report and information lodged with ECan – done March 2012 - 12/140121	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a
36	Community Liaison Group	Annually	Recorded and Reported	n/a	©	n/a	n/a	n/a

Key: © Full Compliance

Minor, Isolated or Risk of Non-Compliance
 Major or Consistent Non-Compliance

### 2.5 Comments on Other Receiving Environment

### Conditions 23 - 26

Sediment, benthic and epibenthic testing was due in February/March 2017. Unfortunately weather conditions prevented the consultant undertaking this work and it was undertaken in March 2018.

#### Condition 27

Shellfish were sampled and analysed.

### Condition 29

There were no complaints from the public regarding the ocean outfall during the reporting period.

### Condition 31 and 32

Annual and quarterly reports have been submitted to ECan.

#### Condition 36

The community liaison meeting was held 13/12/17 at CWTP (1 attendee). Environment Canterbury agreed that due to negligible interest in our community meeting that we could forgo holding it unless requested by the community. The annual report it still to be circulated.