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Notification of intention to conduct aerial weed spraying at Ngā Roto

Waipā District Council will conduct an aerial spraying programme at Ngā Roto to control pampas (*Cortaderia* spp.), willows (*Salix* spp.) and blackberry (*Rubus fruticosus*. L. agg.). If not managed, these weeds have the potential to alter the hydrology of the lake and associated wetland areas. These weeds will invade and dominate restoration plantings at the lake, thus undoing years of work.

An UAV (drone) will apply the agrichemicals Glyphosate 510 (trade name Deal 510) and adjuvant (Hasten) by aerial spot spraying between 8th April and 6th May 2022 over a period of 2-3 days within the hours of 5am and 8pm as weather and daylight permit. These herbicides have the following hazard classifications: Deal 510 – 6.3A, 9.1B, Hasten – none.

The drone will be kept within line of sight. During this operation the reserve and carpark will remain open to the public. No spraying will take place around the carparks. Signage will be in place at the entrances to the walking track.

A consent from Waikato Regional Council has been obtained for this work under the Freshwater National Environmental Standard. The proposed work will also comply with the Waikato Regional Plan in terms of discharges of agrichemical to the air. People who may be affected in the adjoining area will be notified in writing as required by the Waikato Regional Plan. The spray plan for the operation is available for viewing.

For enquiries relating to this please contact:
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