Leanne Lawrence

Environmental Consultant



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KEY SPECIALIST AREAS

- Resource consent compliance and enforcement
- □ Project management
- Workshop facilitation
- Policy analysis, development and implementation
- Strategic planning
- Process investigation and review
- Project funding applications
- Erosion and sediment management

QUALIFICATIONS and TRAINING

- □ Bachelor of Applied Science, Agriculture; Massey University (2006)
- Leadership Excellence Programme;
 Waikato Regional Council (2012 –
 2014)
- ☐ Leadership Development; EMA Learning (2012)
- Project Management; Rob Verkerk (2011)
- Negotiating and Managing Conflict within the Local Government Environment; SOLGM (2007)
- ☐ User Friendly Erosion and Sediment Control Plans; NZIHT (2007)
- ☐ Development of a Risk Based, Site Specific Environmental Management Plan; NZIHT (2007)
- Basic Investigative Skills; Waikato Regional Council (2007)
- ☐ Erosion & Sediment Control Training; Waikato Regional Council (2007)
- □ Advanced Assessments of Environmental Risk; Auckland Regional Council (2007)

INTRODUCTION

Leanne Lawrence has over 14 years' experience in resource management, environmental management, resource consents & compliance and local government.

Leanne's specialist areas include erosion and sediment control, project management, policy analysis, strategic planning, preparation of environmental project funding applications and the development of integrated catchment management approaches.

Leanne has strong skills in verbal and written communication, relationship building, network and workshop facilitation.

EXPERIENCE

Technical

- Project management role for Waikato Regional Council's Lower Piako waterway management and wetland enhancement plan development which included stakeholder consultation and engagement (2019).
- Project management role for Waikato Regional Council's comprehensive consent mitigation plan and environmental best practice documents (2020).
- Led the review and redevelopment of Waikato Regional Council's Integrated Catchment Management's comprehensive consent requirements and processes (2019).
- Provision of environmental and erosion and sediment control advice, including design and advice for various clients (2016 – ongoing).
- Preparation of consent applications of earthworks, cleanfill, quarry and streamworks activities (2016 – ongoing).
- Led the preparation and authored the Kawhia Moana scoping study on behalf of the Ministry of Justices' Office of Treaty Settlements (2017).
- Project team member and lead author for Waikato Regional Council's Lake Waikare and Whangamarino wetland catchment management plan (2016 – 2018).
- Scoped, formulated and delivered environmental best practice training for the Waikato Regional Council Integrated Catchment Management directorates' operations team, focused on environmental best practice associated with river management and drainage activities (2011 – 2019).
- Preparation of funding applications on behalf of various clients and projects for the Ministry for the Environments' freshwater initiatives fund; Waikato River Authority's Waikato River clean-up trust fund; and the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employments' provincial growth fund (2017-ongoing).
- Oversight and management of Waikato Regional Council's river and catchment management programmes within the Central Waikato and West Coast Zones, with a combined total of \$3.1M budget (2014 – 2015).

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- ☐ Chemical Treatment Workshop; Auckland Regional Council (2007)
- ☐ Grade 8 New Zealand Speech and Drama (2002)

RECENT PROFESSIONAL HISTORY

- ☐ Environmental Consultant to RidleyDunphy Environmental Limited (From 1 February 2016)
- □ Waikato Regional Council, Hamilton; Zone Manager – Central Waikato & West Coast (December 2014 – August 2015)
- ☐ Waikato Regional Council, Hamilton; Team Leader — Environmental Compliance & Land Licence (June 2013 – December 2014)
- ☐ Waikato Regional Council, Hamilton; Environmental Officer (November 2011 – June 2013)
- Waikato Regional Council, Hamilton; Resource Officer – Earthworks (June 2007 – November 2011)
- ☐ Horizons Regional Council, Palmerston North; Environmental Compliance Officer (March 2006 – June 2007)

- Waikato Regional Council executive committee representative for Waikato River Care (2013 – 2015).
- Prepared and presented a number of papers at various national and international conferences, including: The Australasian Erosion and Sediment Control conference; the Local Government Compliance conference; and the New Zealand Wind Energy Association conference.

Regulatory/Consent

- Provision of as-required technical advice, consent support and strategic planning for the Horizons Regional Council, Waikato Regional Council, West Coast Regional Council and Auckland Council (2016 – ongoing).
- Project management and oversight of numerous consent applications for Waikato Regional Council associated with catchment wide river and drainage maintenance activities, involving extensive stakeholder engagement and consultation; including staff from across the Waikato Regional Council, Department of Conservation, Auckland/Waikato Fish and Game Council, various iwi and territorial authorities (2011 – 2015).
- Project team member for Waikato Regional Council (ICM) of an RMA s.128 review of the Lake Waikare Gate Discharge associated with the Lower Waipa Waikato Flood Control Scheme (2013 2015).
- Development and oversight of internal compliance monitoring for over 170 resource consents; including stakeholder consultation (2011 – 2015).
- Development, oversight and implementation of the earthworks monitoring project, focusing on medium – large scale earthworks sites.
 Including compliance monitoring and reporting, enforcement and industry training (2007 – 2011).

Policy

- Reviewed and developed the Waikato Regional Council Integrated Catchment Management directorate's environmental best practice guidelines for their river management and drainage activities (2017 and 2020).
- Co-author of the Waikato Regional Council's west coast zone plan, setting long term river and catchment management goals, priorities and implementation actions for the West Coast Zone (2014 – 2015).
- Management and implementation of the Waikato Regional Council's annual, long term and zone and catchment plans within the west coast and central Waikato zones (2014 – 2015).
- Provided support with the implementation of Waikato Regional Council's co-management requirements of Council's managed land (2013 – 2014).
- Led the review of the Waikato Regional Council's erosion and sediment control guidelines for soil disturbing activities (January 2009 version).

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