

JOINT LIMITED NOTIFICATION – Monday 28 September 2026

Resource consent applications made to:

Environment Canterbury: CRC264624, CRC264625, CRC264626, CRC264627,
CRC264628, CRC271305 and CRC271306

Timaru District Council: 102.2026.59.1

Applicant	Canterbury Regional Council
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Canterbury Regional Council has applied to the Canterbury Regional Council and Timaru District Council for resource consents to realign Seadown Drain from approximately 700m upstream of Aorangi Road to approximately 150m upstream of the confluence with Waitarakao / Washdyke Lagoon. The works will also include establishing new inland and coastal stop banks.

Resource Consent applications to Canterbury Regional Council include CRC264624 – CRC264628, CRC271305 and CRC271306: land use consents, water permits and discharge permits for the following activities:

- Earthworks over the unconfined aquifer;
- Earthworks and land disturbance in riparian margins, within and within 100 metres of natural inland wetlands;
- Temporarily reducing the size of wetlands;
- Construction of a stop bank within Coastal Hazard Zone 1;
- Excavation of the bed, deposition on the bed and reclamation of highly modified waterbodies;
- Extension of a culvert;
- Installation and use of a flap gate;
- Diversion of water into the new drain alignment and diversion of water within and within 100 metres of natural inland wetlands;
- Temporary discharges of construction phase stormwater, sediment laden water during instream works and discharges of water within and within 100 metres of a natural inland wetland; and
- Discharge of contaminants to land associated with the encapsulation of contaminated soil.

The duration sought for short term construction consents is 10 years. The duration sought for long-term consents is unlimited for the land use consent for the stop bank in Coastal Hazard Zone 1 and 35 years for the use of the flap gate and discharge of contaminants to land associated with the encapsulation of contaminated soil.

Resource consent application to Timaru District Council:

102.2026.59.1: Land use consent for Phase 1 of the Seadown Drain realignment, between approximately 150m upstream of the outlet into Waitarakao-Washdyke Lagoon and the north-eastern corner of the Timaru District Council wastewater treatment ponds, approximately 700m upstream of Aorangi Road, comprising excavation of a new drain channel, construction of a new coastal stopbank and a new inland flood protection bank, associated access tracks, maintenance benches and localised drainage, retirement of the existing drain and stopbank, and ecological restoration planting. Erection of structures and land disturbance within the Coastal Environment Area, earthworks within a Site and Area of Significance to Māori, clearance of indigenous vegetation, and drainage affecting wetlands

Submissions Close: Tuesday 27 October 2026