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Date: 2 September 2022

West Coast Regional Council – Engineering Team c/- Brendon Russ PO Box 66 Greymouth 7804

Dear Brendon,

Request for Approval s95E Resource Management Act 1991:

Application from West Coast Regional Council seeking a 35 year term regional resource consent to increase the length and height, and in some sections realign, the stop banks located on the north bank of the Waiho River running from the State Highway 6 Bridge to the existing Oxidation Ponds at Franz Joseph.

I have considered your request for written approval in terms of s95E of the RMA and am pleased to advise that I grant my approval as an affected person. This approval is granted on the basis that the proposal is as described, for the purposes described, and will have the effects on the Department of Conservation's interests as described in the application dated 23<sup>rd</sup> August 2022. This approval is limited to the likely adverse effects of the proposal on the Department's interests and should not be construed as approval to effects on the environment generally.

This approval is specific to the above application and is for the purposes of s95E of the RMA only. It is not indicative of any associated concession or other statutory approval which may be required from the Department relating to this proposal. This approval will be rendered null and void if the proposal to which it refers is changed between the date of this letter and its consideration by the consent authority without referral back to me for my further assessment.

If you have any questions regarding this approval, please contact RMA@doc.govt.nz

Yours sincerely

Trevor Ellis

RMA Manager