

WE'LL ALSO BE TALKING TO AFFECTED RATEPAYERS ABOUT...

KA KÖRERO HOKI MĀTOU KI
NGĀ KAIUTU RĒTI MŌ...

WATER USER CHARGES AND INFORMATION GATHERING FEES

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WHAKAEMI MŌHIOHIO

Over the last year a working party made up of representatives from a range of sectors has looked at the way we charge to recover the costs of the information gathering and research work we do in response to consent holders using the region's water resources.

Based on the working party's recommendations we're proposing to make the following changes to these charges.

- A minimum charge of \$65 paid by all water users irrespective of the volume used.
- A charge per cubic metre for any volume used over and above the minimum.

We'll be writing to all affected resource consent holders to get their feedback on the proposed change.

We've also looked at the way our other science and research costs are funded. Overall, our costs to monitor the region's natural resources are increasing. The reasons why we need to do some of our work have also changed since these charges were last reviewed in detail in 2012.

The proposed changes to these charges vary across different types of resource consents, so we'll be writing to all affected resource consent holders to explain the changes and to seek their feedback.

