

# *Te Kahupapa Hai Tiaki i Te Mauri o Ngā Roto*

## East Rotoiti Rotomā Sewerage Scheme Update

Tēnā kotou katoa

Ko tēnei anō ka mihi i roto i ngā āhuatanga o ngā mahi i te mutunga o te tau, i te whakatata mai o ngā hararei me te kirihimete, ā, i ngā wā kia nohotahi ai hai whānau – warm greetings as the year and its business draws to a close, holidays and Christmas draw near, and we look forward to sharing times with our families.

We wish to firstly thank the community of Rotoiti for their overwhelming support in this project, and recognising the importance of protecting the health of the community, and the waterways for the use and enjoyment for future generations.

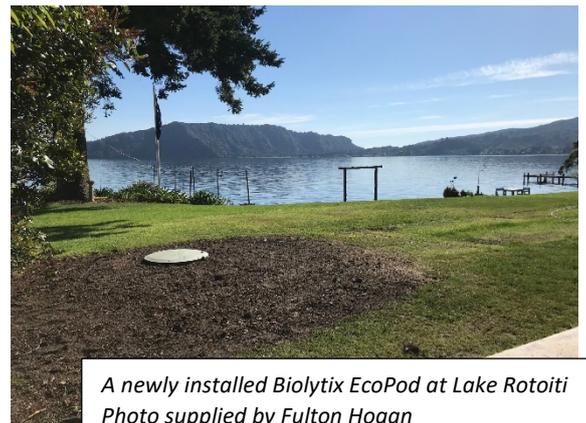
This is the first of regular updates that will be provided to local community groups, respective hapū and other community members to share via their networks.

In June 2021, Rotorua Lakes Council agreed to award the contract for the supply and installation of Biolytix BF2 on about 450 properties in East Rotoiti to Fulton Hogan. The contract also includes the operational management and maintenance of the on-site systems for a term of 15 years.

Prioritisation of Biolytix system installs in the last month has focused on current septic tank failure sites and new home building sites. Council and Fulton Hogan will be focussing on the Komuhumu (Gisborne Point) area which has been identified by Heritage New Zealand as requiring archaeological approval due to the historical events that occurred there. Council will work through the archaeological consent process directly with property owners.

Covid-19 has had a great impact on everyone, but this has not deterred us in proceeding with the installations, especially with community members based in Auckland during the recent lockdown period. We have had great success in arranging installations remotely.

An information booklet has also been developed to take property owners through the pre-installation process, including key contacts. The booklet can be found at [www.rotorualakescouncil.nz/rotoitirotomawaterways](http://www.rotorualakescouncil.nz/rotoitirotomawaterways).



*A newly installed Biolytix EcoPod at Lake Rotoiti  
Photo supplied by Fulton Hogan*

## RRSS Information Sharing and WWTP Open Day

The Rotorua Lakes Community Board, the Ngāti Pūkiao Cultural Impacts Team and Rotorua Lakes Council welcome residents to an information sharing open day for the Rotoiti Rotomā Sewerage Scheme (RRSS) on the 29 January 2022. Presentations will be given by the Ngāti Pūkiao Cultural Impacts Team, Rotorua Lakes Community Board, Rotorua Lakes Council, Trility (WWTP Contractors), Cameron McCaffrey (archaeologist from Archaeology BOP) and Biolytix (the selected system for the Rotoiti phase of the Scheme).

Each session will consist of a:

- Cultural Health and Safety Induction
- Presentation from each of the organisations above
- Q and A time
- Wastewater Treatment Plant site visit (bus transport provided)

Three sessions will be held as noted below to groups of 25. Bookings are essential and can be made by emailing or phoning Phill Thomass.

## OPEN DAY

**Date:** Saturday, 29 January 2022  
**Start times:** 9am, 11am, 1.30pm  
**Venue:** Rotoiti Sports Club  
**RSVP:** Phill Thomass  
**Email:** [rlcb@thomass.net](mailto:rlcb@thomass.net)  
**Phone:** [027 547 4455 \(10am – 5pm only\)](tel:0275474455)

Please include your lake property address, contact phone number, and yes or no to the WWTP visit in the RSVP.

**PLEASE NOTE: COVID PROTOCOLS WILL APPLY VACCINE PASSES ARE REQUIRED  
(MASKS AND SANITISERS WILL BE MADE AVAILABLE)**

Nau mai, haere mai – please feel welcome to come along.

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### Update from Fulton Hogan

Fulton Hogan are excited to be delivering the Rotoiti Onsite Wastewater Systems contract. From our early delivery of the Rotomā-Rotoiti Reticulation Scheme, we have maintained a commitment to successfully complete the remaining scope of the scheme.

As we lead towards the Christmas/New Year closedown period, we intend to have our facilities area established at Komuhumu (Gisborne Point). This will be the onsite hub where our operational teams will be based. Before the end of the year, we will continue to deliver some of the high priority sites (septic tank failures and new builds). Once we return in the New Year, we will continue to focus on the remaining priority sites across the scheme. We will be introducing additional teams to increase the frequency of our weekly system installs.

By the time we closedown for the Christmas/New Year period, we will have five systems installed and operational. Once our installs restart from 11 January, we intend to be installing three systems per week. We have the commitment of our suppliers and subcontractors to meet the requirements of this increased frequency. As Locality Plan agreements are confirmed with property owners, it will be likely that additional resources will be introduced so we can stay on track with delivery dates.

With the ongoing requirement to manage all Covid-19 considerations, our team will communicate these to homeowners to keep the teams, and the community safe.

We look forward to continuing our work with the Rotoiti community.

Daniel Snow, Project Manager  
Fulton Hogan

***Ka nui tonu ngā mihi e haere ake nei ki a kotou,  
kia harikoa, kia rangimārie, kia haumarū ngā hararei me te kirimete, kia taurikura te tau hou***

***We once again wish to express our gratitude to the community of Rotoiti  
and wish everyone a happy, peaceful and safe holiday and a prosperous New Year***

