



Letter to the Community

5 July 2021

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I wanted to provide you with an update on our plans to build a process wastewater treatment facility for our Hautapu site.

Following a request from the community, we revisited our assessment of proposed locations for the process wastewater treatment facility.

Our assessment criteria looked at a range of factors including odour, noise, impact to the community, suitability of the land and cost with different factors being weighted accordingly.

Following the reassessment of the three locations, Site 7 (Buxton Farm – 348 Fencourt Road), Site 8 (Hautapu Factory) and Site 9 (620 Fencourt Road), we have determined Site 8 to be the best location.

This is due to Site 8 zoning of specialised dairy industry, our ability to mitigate the risk of odours and noise, landownership and the significant additional cost of up to \$22 million at other sites.

We're committed to doing what's right for the long-term sustainability of the Co-op and our community both environmentally and financially and the proposed plant will result in better long-term environmental outcomes for the region.

We will be continuing with our consent application and lodging it with the Waipa District Council this Friday, July 9th. We will let you know what submission classification the council gives the application once we hear back from them.

For updates on our plans and progress please check out our [website](#) and if you have any questions please feel free to get in touch with the team at hautapu.community@fonterra.com

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