



REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Weekly Report 23 July to 27 July 2018

Date:	27 July 2018	Priority:	Medium
Security classification:	In Confidence	Tracking number:	0306 18-19

Action sought		
	Action sought	Deadline
Hon Shane Jones Minister for Regional Economic Development	Discuss at the next officials meeting	N/A
Fletcher Tabuteau Parliamentary Under-Secretary to the Minister for Regional Economic Development	Discuss at the next officials meeting	N/A

Contact for telephone discussion (if required)			
Name	Position	Telephone	1st contact
Nigel Bickle	Head of Provincial Development Unit	Privacy of natural persons	
Ben Dalton	Head of Regions and Project Delivery		
AJ Millward	General Manager Strategy and Governance		✓
Robert Pigou	Acting Head of Investment Management		



1. Provincial Growth Fund Proposals

Wairoa

Comment:

A funding agreement “Wairoa Capability Support” has been delivered to Wairoa District Council (WDC) CEO, Steven May, for completion and return to the Provincial Development Unit (PDU).

The PDU will plan the project approach with WDC. An on-site planning meeting will take place during the week beginning 30 July 2018.

Responsible Manager: Stephanie Weller, Privacy of natural persons

Next Steps:

Signed agreement to be returned by 27 July 2018.

\$50K (of total \$250K) to be released on commencement date.

Kaikōura

Comment:

We have received a Provincial Growth Fund (PGF) application from the Kaikōura District Council. The funding sought is to engage a consultant to undertake a feasibility study and complete business cases for three projects outlined below. These projects are at the conceptual phase and need a consultant to progress to the next stage.

1. The Marine Centre of Excellence
2. Kaikoura Airport development
3. Kaikoura Marina development

Responsible Manager: Stephanie Weller, Privacy of natural persons

Next Steps:

A decision for funding will be made by Senior Regional Officials by 30 July 2018.

Taranaki

Comment:

Focus on diversifying the region

Applications

The PGF has received applications from two New Plymouth based companies, McKechnie Aluminium and Taranakipine, who are looking to accelerate production of aluminium and pine respectively to high demand domestic and international markets.

Both companies employ a significant number of local Māori, particularly from Waitara, and with potential support from the PGF, they would look to increase employment.

Both projects have cross-government alignment, particularly with Kiwibuild and Housing NZ.

A combined total of \$13.5 million is requested from the PGF in the form of loans for the two projects.

Expressions of Interest (Eoi)

Commercial Information

Next Steps:

The applications are being assessed against the PGF criteria. RED Ministers to consider these two applications on 3 September.

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1. Provincial Growth Fund Proposals

Just Transitions

At his recent visit to Taranaki, Under-Secretary Tabuteau announced a PGF grant of \$600,000 over three years to appoint a General Manager to support the implementation of the transition to a low emissions economy in Taranaki.

The Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment's (MBIE) Just Transition Unit is working with the New Plymouth District Council on a Transition Summit scheduled for May 2019. The PGF will be approached to consider funding for some of the costs of this Summit.

Oil and Gas announcements

Taranaki has been provided a boost through a recent announcement by Methanex on extending its operations to 2029, a further three years from its initial operating life of 2026.

Responsible Manager: Stephanie Weller, Privacy of natural persons

MBIE is working with the recipient on the investment agreement.

2. Provincial Development Unit

PipeDrive Update

Comment:

As at 23 July 2018, 339 projects have been lodged in PipeDrive. Sixteen projects are new this week. Of the 339 projects, 172 are EOIs and 167 are applications. One Eoi has progressed to an application.

Responsible Manager: Robert Pigou, Privacy of natural persons



3. Māori Economic Development

The Crown-Māori economic growth partnership - He kai kei aku ringa

Comment:

He kai kei aku ringa (HKKAR) is the Crown-Maori economic growth partnership. MBIE along with Te Puni Kōkiri (TPK) are co-leads for HKKAR. MBIE also provides secretariat support to the Māori Economic Development Advisory Board (MEDAB).

There are five key workstreams or 'pou' within HKKAR referred to as [ERERE](#) which form the HKKAR action plan. These are Education, Regions, Enterprise, Rangatahi, and Employment.

MBIE is in the process of reviewing the ERERE priority actions and targets to ensure better alignment to the new government's priorities. Workshops have been held with government agencies for each individual ERERE workstream to update the targets and reaffirm the government initiatives.

Next Steps:

The findings of these workshops are being analysed and initial results will be sent back to contributing agencies for comment and feedback.

This feedback will be incorporated into a briefing for Ministers to be submitted by 31 August 2018.

The briefing will provide Ministers with an update on progress, and seek Ministerial support to continue work around HKKAR and the updated ERERE targets and measures.

A Cabinet Paper with an updated HKKAR action plan will be submitted

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Responsible Manager: Hinemaua Rikirangi, Privacy of natural persons

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4. Media and Communications Schedule

Event or announcement date	Activity	Speech / media release due	MBIE Contact
2 August 2018	Provincial Growth Fund Investment Statement	Minister Jones' office will be provided with communications material	Eleanor Laban
3 August 2018	Bay of Connections Forum	Minister Jones' office will be provided with communications material	Emma Blackmore
September TBC	PGF & He Poutama Rangitahi Tairāwhiti announcements package	Minister Jones' & Minister Jackson's offices will be provided with communications material	Julia Paterson-Fourie

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5. Upcoming Meetings and Events

Meeting / Event	Support
Monday, 30 July 2018	
11.15am-11.30am Minister Jones - Meeting with Zespri Kiwifruit	PDU official to attend
Tuesday, 31 July 2018	
Wednesday, 1 August 2018	
3.30pm-4.30pm Minister Jones - PDU Weekly Leadership Meeting	
4.30pm-5.30pm USEC - PDU Weekly Leadership Meeting	
Thursday, 2 August 2018	
10.00am-10.30am Minister Jones – Meeting with Maxim Institute Alex Penk, CEO and Julian Wood, Senior Researcher	Aide memoire sent 24 July 2018 PDU official to attend
11.00am-11.30am Minister Jones – Meeting with Straterra Chris Baker, CEO and Jeremy Harding, Policy Manager - TBC	PDU official to attend
12.00pm-1.00pm Minister Jones – Investment Statement press conference at MBIE Stout St	Briefing due 31 July 2018
4.50pm-5.50pm Minister Jones – Seafood Industry Conference including 15 minute speech	Briefing and speech notes sent 24 July 2018
Friday, 3 August 2018	
10.00am-11.00am Minister Jones – Bay of Connections forum including 10 minute speech	Briefing and speech notes sent 24 July 2018 PDU officials will be present

August

- 13 – RED Ministers meeting
- 15 - Independent Advisory Panel meeting
- 21 – Eastern Bay of Plenty (USEC)
- 22 - East Coast visit
- 23 - Manawatū-Whanganui visit
- 30 & 31 - Waikato Economic Summit

October

- 16 - Independent Advisory Panel meeting
- 18 – RED Ministers meeting
- Southland and Dunedin visits TBC
- Kaikohe visit TBC
- East Coast visit (USEC) TBC

September

- 3 - RED Ministers meeting
- 17 - Independent Advisory Panel meeting
- Waikato visit (USEC) TBC
- Wairarapa and Kāpiti visits TBC

November

- 5 – RED Ministers
- 14 - Kaikoura visit
- Opōtiki visit TBC
- Manawatū-Whanganui visit TBC
- West Coast and Canterbury visit TBC



6. Completed Briefings, Aides Memoire and Reports

Tracker number	Title	Minister/USEC	Signed out by	Date delivered
0259 18-19	Event briefing and talking points for opening of Holiday Parks conference in Hamilton on 25 July 2018	USEC	Stephanie Weller	23 July 2018
0256 18-19	Event briefing for meeting with NZW CEO Philip Gregan and Global Marketing Director Chris Yorke, 25 July 2018	Minister Jones	Stephanie Weller	24 July 2018

7. Upcoming Cabinet Papers, Briefings, Aides Memoire and Reports

Tracker number	Title	Minister/USEC	Signed out by	Delivery Date
0332 18-19	Information for meeting with Fujitsu CEO Mike Foster on 31 July 2018	USEC	Stephanie Weller	27 July 2018
3240 17-18	Event briefing for meeting with Tourism Export Council NZ on 2 August 2018	USEC	Richard Davies	29 July 2018
TBC	Event briefing for launch of 'Guide to the PGF' on 2 August 2018	Minister Jones	AJ Millward	31 July 2018
0254 18-19	Event briefing for Seafood Industry Conference on 2 August 2018	Minister Jones	Stephanie Weller	31 July 2018
0257 18-19	Information for meeting with Maxim Institute on 2 August 2018	Minister Jones	Stephanie Weller	31 July 2018
0209 18-19	Bay of Connections Annual Forum on 3 August 2018	Minister Jones/USEC	Stephanie Weller	31 July 2018
2823 17-18	Ongoing resourcing for the PDU and other agencies to administer the PGF	Minister Jones	Nigel Bickle	2 August 2018
0348 18-19	Information for RED Ministers meeting on 13 August 2018	Minister Jones	Nigel Bickle	3 August 2018
TBC	Event briefing for Eastern Bay of Plenty meeting on 21 August 2018	USEC	Stephanie Weller	16 August 2018



8. Ministerial Servicing

Ministerial OIAs						
Tracking Number	Name	Date received	Date due to Minister's Office	Date due to requestor	Status	Request
SJOIA88	Privacy of natural persons	28 Jun 2018	19 Jul 2018	23 Jul 2018	Consulting SMEs	Documents received regarding Independent Advisory Panel
SJOIA94		9 Jul 2018	30 Jul 2018	6 Aug 2018	Release document prepared – awaiting MPI Legal and Communications review	A copy of the Regional Economic Development Weekly Report for the week ending 6 July 2018
SJOIA95		9 Jul 2018	30 Jul 2018	6 Aug 2018	Consulting SMEs	Minutes, notes, agendas for RED Ministers meeting on 29 May 2018 and Estimates prep meeting on 30 May 2018
SJOIA98		9 Jul 2018	30 Jul 2018	6 Aug 2018	Preparing release document	Copy of weekly report ending 13 July
SJOIA102		26 July 2018	9 August 2018	16 August 2018	Scoping	All documents, including the application, emails, concerning the Dunedin Waterfront Project application
SJOIA103		26 July 2018	13 August 2018	20 August 2018	Scoping	A copy of the Regional Economic Development Weekly Report for the week ending 20 July



Departmental OIAs

Tracking Number	Name	Date received	Date due to Minister's Office (if applicable)	Date due to requestor	Status	Request
1819-0067	Privacy of natural persons	14 Jul 2018	N/A	10 Aug 2018	Request clarified with requestor – collating documents	All information MBIE has on the Russell Wharf in regards to the Provincial Growth Fund
1819-0060		13 Jul 2018	3 Aug 2018	10 Aug 2018	Consultation completed with funding recipients – preparing for SME, Legal, and Communications review	All communication and recommendations (pros and cons) surrounding the Howard League Driver License Initiative
1819-0076		17 Jul 2018	N/A	14 Aug 2018	Consulting SMEs	All information in relation to Hiringa Energy Limited's Provincial Growth Fund application
1819-0101		20 Jul 2018	N/A	17 Aug 2018	Consulting SMEs	A copy of all unredacted documents and correspondence between Mokihinui Lyell Backcountry Trust and MBIE and the relevant Ministers office (Regional Economic Development Minister Shane Jones). DOC West Coast (or DOC Westport) and MBIE (and the Regional Economic Development Minister Shane Jones) during the period of October 2017 and 1 August 2018
1819-0108		23 Jul 2018	13 Aug 2018	20 Aug 2018	Collating documents	All documents, including the application, emails, concerning the Dunedin Waterfront Project's Provincial Growth Fund application



Ministerial Correspondence

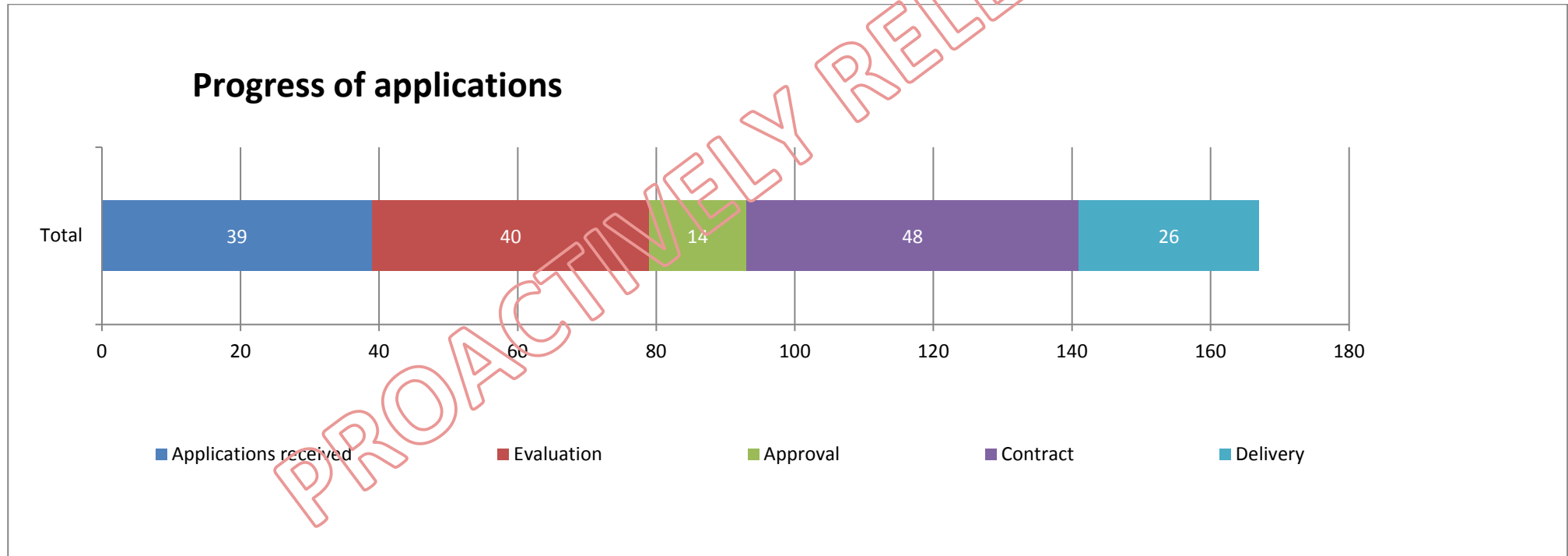
Tracking Number	Name	Date received	Date due to Minister's Office	Subject
SJ1258	Privacy of natural persons	4 Jul 2018	1 Aug 2018	Silica mining in Southland
SJ1278		5 Jul 2018	2 Aug 2018	Does Arts On Tour NZ fit into Minister's plan?
SJ1263		6 Jul 2018	3 Aug 2018	Northland Regional Growth Programme books, reports, plans and information
SJ1286		6 Jul 2018	3 Aug 2018	Juken Triboard Mill product should be sold in England/Europe and keep jobs
SJ1291		9 Jul 2018	6 Aug 2018	Transfer of Crown Land to Dept. of Conservation for Project Kakariki
SJ1309		12 Jul 2018	9 Aug 2018	No progress/response of our PGF submitted with Buller Council weeks ago
SJ1312		12 Jul 2018	9 Aug 2018	Ideas for recycling and food waste management
SJ1317		12 Jul 2018	9 Aug 2018	Govt should negotiate with Holcim to protect construction of Buller Port
SJ1332		19 Jul 2018	11 Aug 2018	Northland regional economic development & job creation
SJ1335		19 Jul 2018	12 Aug 2018	Bay of Plenty regional cruise gateway and Welcome Hub

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9. PDU Update

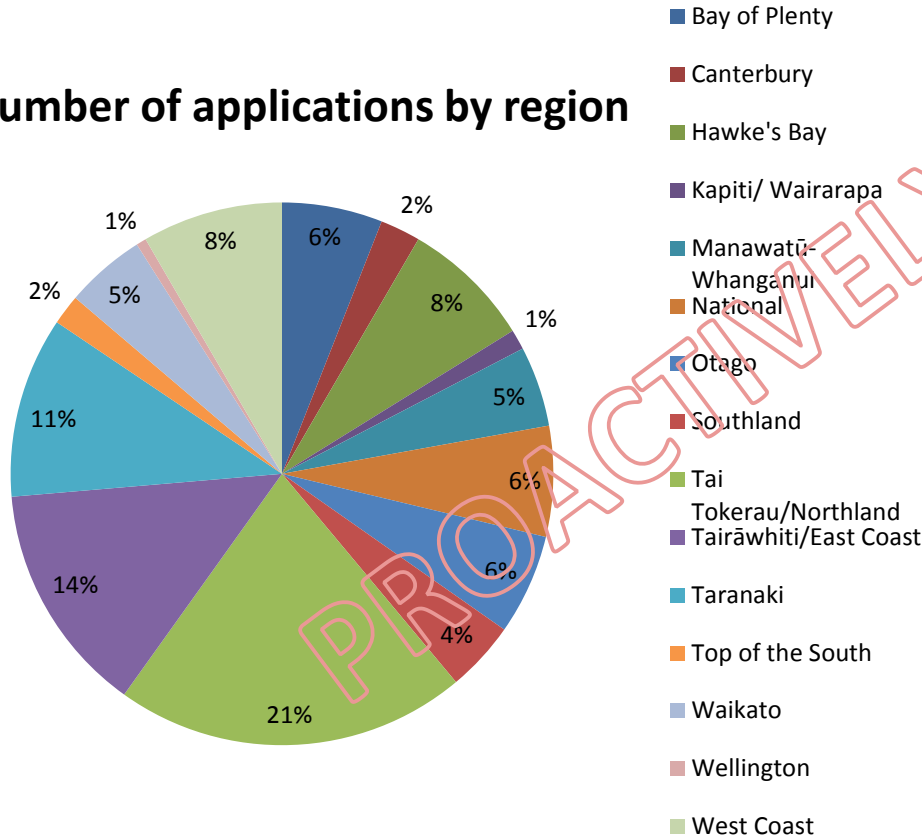
Progress of applications – 23 July 2018



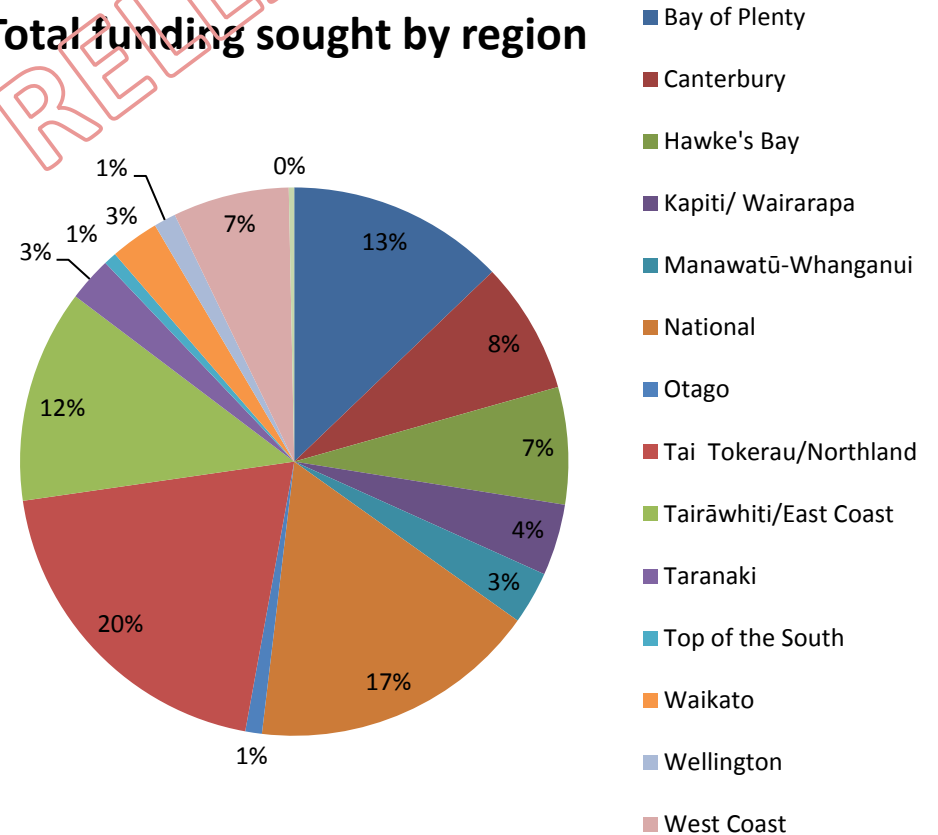


Applications by region – 23 July 2018

Number of applications by region



Total funding sought by region





Applications by sector – 23 July 2018

Number of applications by sector

