



REGIONAL ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT

Weekly Report 30 July to 3 August 2018

Date:	3 August 2018	Priority:	Medium
Security classification:	In Confidence	Tracking number:	0415 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	N/A	Privacy of [redacted]	
Ben Dalton	Head of Regions and Project Delivery	Privacy of [redacted]	Privacy of [redacted]	
AJ Millward	General Manager Strategy and Governance	Privacy of [redacted]	Privacy of [redacted]	✓
Robert Pigou	Acting Head of Investment Management	Privacy of [redacted]	Privacy of [redacted]	



1. Provincial Growth Fund Proposals

West Coast

Comment:

As at 1 August 2018, 37 applications from the West Coast region have lodged in PipeDrive. These are predominantly for tourism and infrastructure funding. Three applications will be considered by the Independent Advisory Panel (IAP) on 15 August in advance of consideration by Regional Economic Development (RED) Ministers on 3 September.

The West Coast is finalising its new Economic Development Strategy for 2018 to 2025. It's vision is that the West Coast will become a thriving and prosperous region that will work together to drive innovation through better utilisation of its unique natural resources that will foster economic growth, while caring for communities and the environment. The Strategy is expected to be finalised in September.

Responsible Manager: Stephanie Weller, Privacy of

Next Steps:

Work is underway to prepare for an event in the West Coast at the end of November 2018.

Tairāwhiti

Comment:

Officials from the Provincial Development Unit (PDU), Ministry of Transport (MoT) and NZTA have developed a package of projects, emergency works, investigations and a five year pipeline of road projects for Tairāwhiti. This package includes:

- funding to cover Gisborne District Council's local share for approved National Land Transport Plan projects;
- improvements to the road network in the region, including greater resilience against severe weather events.

The Tairāwhiti Economic Action Plan (TEAP) met with IAP members in Gisborne on 28 July 2018. The newly appointed Senior Regional Official for Tairāwhiti attended his first meeting of the TEAP Steering Group on 1 August 2018. To ensure the region is able to leverage employment and training opportunities from the Provincial Growth Fund (PGF), a TEAP employment/skills sub-committee has been established.

Responsible Manager: Stephanie Weller, Privacy of

Next Steps:

A draft Cabinet paper seeking support for the package will be sent to the Minister on 3 August 2018 for discussion with RED Ministers on 13 August 2018.



Wairoa

Comment:

A funding agreement for “Wairoa Capability Support” has been entered into by Wairoa District Council (WDC) and PDU. The PDU are supporting WDC with the project initiation.

Responsible Manager: Stephanie Weller, Privacy of [REDACTED]

Next Steps:

The recipient will submit a payment request for the initial ^{Commercial Int} as per commencement deliverables.

PDU will lead a project initiation meeting with WDC on 2 August 2018.

2. Provincial Development Unit

PipeDrive Update

Comment:

As at 30 July 2018, 361 projects have been lodged in PipeDrive. 22 of these are new this week. Of the 361 projects, 186 are an Expression of Interest (EoI) and 175 are applications.

Responsible Manager: Robert Pigou, Privacy of [REDACTED]

Updated application forms

Comment:

The PDU has refreshed the PGF application forms to reflect the different types of contracts available and to capture information to measure the outcomes of the PGF. The three application forms are:

- Express Application Form – for applications under \$100,000: Minor updates have been made to align with the suite of application forms.
- Development Phase Application Form – for applications for funding of feasibility studies, business case development over \$100,000.
- Standard Project Application Form – for applications over \$100,000 relating to projects such as asset development.

Responsible Manager: Robert Pigou, Privacy of [REDACTED]

Next Steps:

The updated application forms will go live week beginning 13 August 2018.



3. Māori Economic Development

Comment:

The Crown-Māori Economic Growth Partnership , He kai kei aku ringa

He kai kei aku ringa (HKKAR) and the EREERE action plan is currently being updated to better reflect the current government priorities. Workshops have been held with various agencies and a summary of workshop findings is being prepared. An aide memoire will be provided to Ministers next week outlining the initial findings of the workshops and the approach going forward.

A Ministerial briefing will follow that will include the updated EREERE action plan, and high-level targets with a likely timeframe being the end of August. Following this, further work will be undertaken to define the specific indicators required for the updated action plan. A cross government working group is being formed to design and develop an EREERE indicators framework.

Responsible Manager: Hinemaui Rikirangi, Privacy of

Next Steps:

A HKKAR Cabinet Paper will be drafted and submitted with the final updated EREERE action plan targets and indicators at the end of September 2018.

4. Skills and Employment

Employment in the dairy sector

Comment:

The Sector Workforce Engagement Programme (SWEP) has been working closely with the Primary ITO and Federated Farmers for the past 18 months to develop the Federated Farmers Dairy Apprenticeship programme. As part of the programme, employers have to demonstrate that they meet minimum employment, training, health and safety standards, and can offer employee support as well as a professional development plan. The value of the programme is that apprentices will “earn while they learn”, develop their skills on-job and grow their careers.

Over 170 employers have expressed interest in the programme. Of those, 90 have been approved. There have been over 200 registrations of interest from apprentices located in Manawatū-Whanganui, Wairarapa and Taranaki. Currently there are 39 apprentices on the programme. The aim is to have 150 across New Zealand by July 2019.

Responsible Manager: Nathan Grennell, Privacy of

Next Steps:

SWEP will continue to work with the sector to enhance and extend the programme by July 2019.



5. Media and Communications Schedule

Event or announcement date	Activity	Speech / media release due	MBIE Contact
3 August 2018	PGF & He Poutama Rangatahi Tairāwhiti announcements package	Minister Jones' & Minister Jackson's offices will be provided with communications material	Julia Paterson-Fourie
August TBC	Greymouth lagoon dredging funding	Minister Jones' office will be provided with a media release	Julia Paterson-Fourie

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6. Upcoming Meetings and Events

Meeting / Event	Support
Monday, 6 August 2018	
Tuesday, 7 August 2018	
Wednesday, 8 August 2018	
3.30pm-4.30pm Minister Jones – PDU weekly leadership meeting	
Thursday, 9 August 2018	
4.30pm-5.30pm Minister Jones - Meeting with Jacques Windell, Chairperson for Taumarunui Residents' and Ratepayers' Association and Richard Homewood, Managing Director of Supercharged Energy	PDU official to attend
Friday, 10 August 2018	
9.00am-11.00am Minister Jones - Meeting with Mayor Sandra Goudie and Chief Executive Rob Williams, Thames-Coromandel District Council	Briefing due 8 August 2018 Ben Dalton and Kathy Mansel (Senior Regional Official for Waikato) also attending
11.30am-1.30pm Minister Jones - Meeting with Mayor John Tregidga, Hauraki District Council	
2.30pm Minister Jones - Meeting with Mayor Jan Barnes, Matamata-Piako District Council - TBC	

August

- 13 – RED Ministers meeting
- 13 – Meeting with HortNZ
- 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 – Kaikōura visit
- Opōtiki visit TBC
- Manawatū-Whanganui visit TBC
- West Coast and Canterbury visit TBC



7. Completed Briefings, Aides Memoire and Reports

Tracker number	Title	Minister/USEC	Signed out by	Date delivered
0332 18-19	Information for meeting with Fujitsu CEO Mike Foster on 31 July 2018	USEC	Stephanie Weller	27 July 2018
0388 18-19	Tairāwhiti Transport package	Minister Jones	AJ Millward	30 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	John Doorbar	31 July 2018
0209 18-19	Bay of Connections Annual Forum on 3 August 2018	Minister Jones/USEC	John Doorbar	31 July 2018
0387 18-19	Launch of the Investment Statement and the Guide to the PGF	Minister Jones/USEC	AJ Millward	1 August 2018
2823 17-18	Departmental resourcing to implement the PGF	Minister Jones	Nigel Bickle	2 August 2018

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

Tracker number	Title	Minister/USEC	Signed out by	Delivery Date
0348 18-19	Information for RED Ministers meeting on 13 August 2018	Minister Jones	Nigel Bickle	6 August 2018
0391 18-19	Information for visit to Waikato region on 10 August	Minister Jones	Stephanie Weller	8 August 2018
0438 18-19	Information for meeting with Peter Chrisp, CE of NZTE	USEC	Stephanie Weller	10 August 2018
3240 17-18	Event briefing for meeting with Tourism Export Council NZ on 16 August 2018	USEC	Richard Davies	14 August 2018
0464 18-19	Event briefing for Eastern Bay of Plenty meeting on 21 August 2018	USEC	Stephanie Weller	16 August 2018
0437 18-19	Event briefing for attending the Waikato Economic Development Summit on 30 August	Minister Jones	Stephanie Weller	27 August 2018



9. 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	3 Aug 2018	10 Aug 2018	Drafting response	Documents regarding Independent Advisory Panel
SJOIA98		9 Jul 2018	7 Aug 2018	16 Aug 2018	Sign out	Copy of Weekly Report ending 13 July
OIA100		25 Jul 2018	7 Aug 2018	16 Aug 2018	Collating documents	All communications from/to Far North District Council re Russell Wharf
SJOIA102		26 Jul 2018	9 Aug 2018	16 Aug 2018	Collating documents. Note this is the same request as DOIA 1819-0108	All documents, including the application, emails, concerning the Dunedin Waterfront Project application
SJOIA103		26 Jul 2018	13 Aug 2018	20 Aug 2018	Collating documents	A copy of the Regional Economic Development Weekly Report for the week ending 20 July
OIA104		26 Jul 2018	9 Aug 2018	21 Aug 2018	Collating documents	A copy of the following: Accelerating processing of low-value PGF applications, How Ministers are informed of Provincial Growth Fund proposals, RED Officials meeting 27 June – agenda and papers – 25 June, IAP Advice for 2 July RED Ministers meeting – 28 June, RED Ministers meeting 2 July – agenda and papers – 28 June



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	Sign out	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	Sign out	All communication and recommendations (pros and cons) surrounding the Howard League Driver License Initiative
1819-0076		17 Jul 2018	N/A	14 Aug 2018	Consultation and document preparation	All information in relation to Hiringa Energy Limited's Provincial Growth Fund application
1819-0101		20 Jul 2018	N/A	17 Aug 2018	Consultation	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
1718-1884		28 Jun 2018	20 Aug 2018	27 Aug 2018	Consultation	All funding applications, business cases, briefings, and funding agreements for PGF recipients



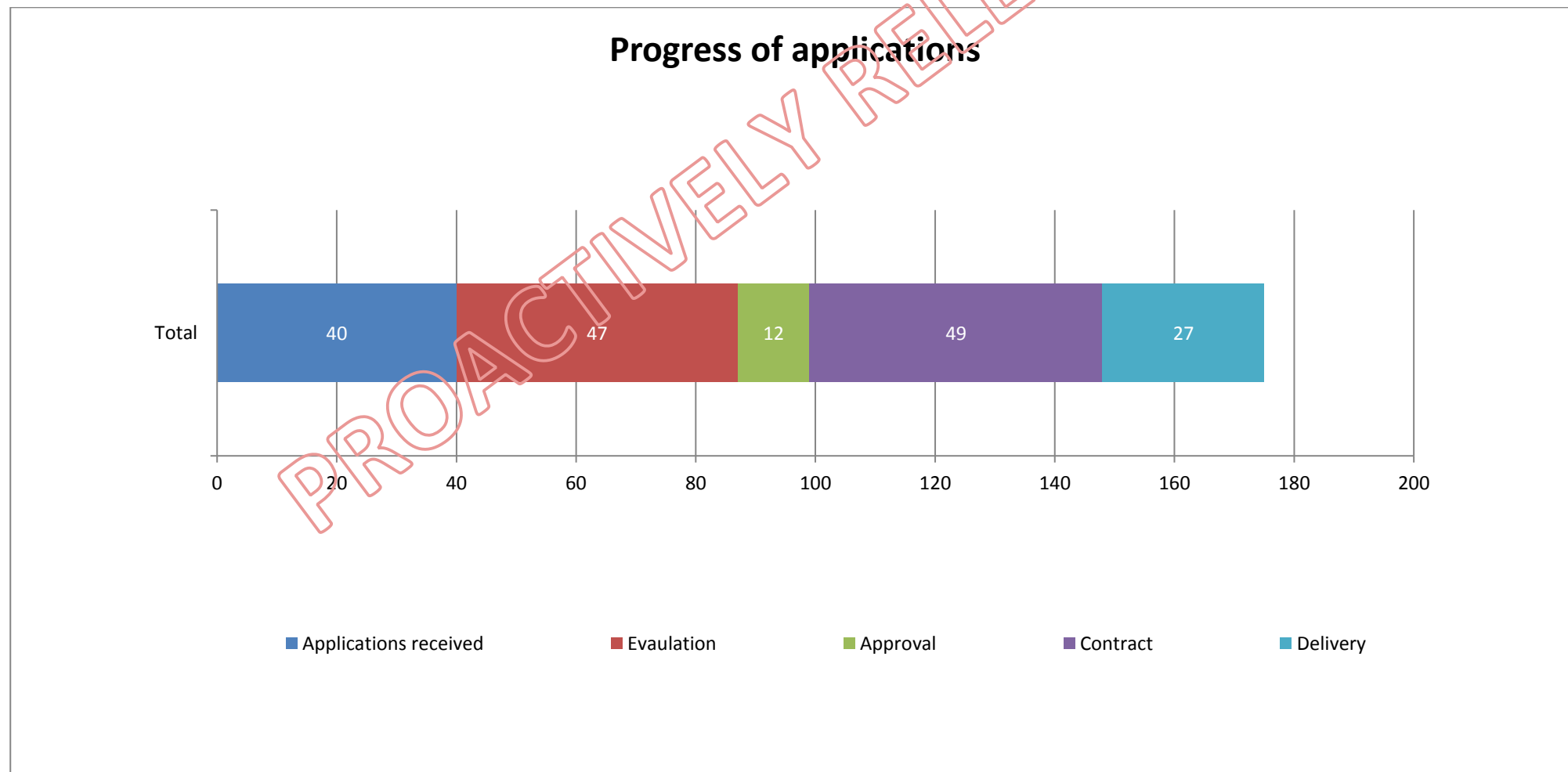
Ministerial Correspondence

Tracking Number	Name	Date received	Due to Minister's Office	Subject
SJ1385	Privacy of natural persons	30 Jul 2018	6 Aug 2018	Chatham Islands update and pending application for PGF support
SJ1309		12 Jul 2018	9 Aug 2018	Status update on PGF application Buller Council
SJ1312		12 Jul 2018	9 Aug 2018	Ideas for recycling and food waste management
SJ1317		12 Jul 2018	9 Aug 2018	Holcim and the Buller Port
SJ1332		19 Jul 2018	11 Aug 2018	Northland regional economic development
SJ1335		19 Jul 2018	12 Aug 2018	Bay of Plenty regional cruise gateway and Welcome Hub
SJ1368		24 Jul 2018	13 Aug 2018	Tasman District Council and the Waimea dam
SJ1370		24 Jul 2018	14 Aug 2018	Are direct subsidies for Aucklanders to move to other provinces worthwhile?
SJ1378		26 Jul 2018	22 Aug 2018	Tasman District Council and the Waimea Dam
SJ1373		26 Jul 2018	22 Aug 2018	Tasman District Council and the Waimea Dam
SJ1379		26 Jul 2018	22 Aug 2018	Plastic Recycling - Huntly
SJ1394		30 Jul 2018	24 Aug 2018	Waste management initiative
SJ1396		30 Jul 2018	27 Aug 2018	About Time Project - Whangarei



10. PGF Update

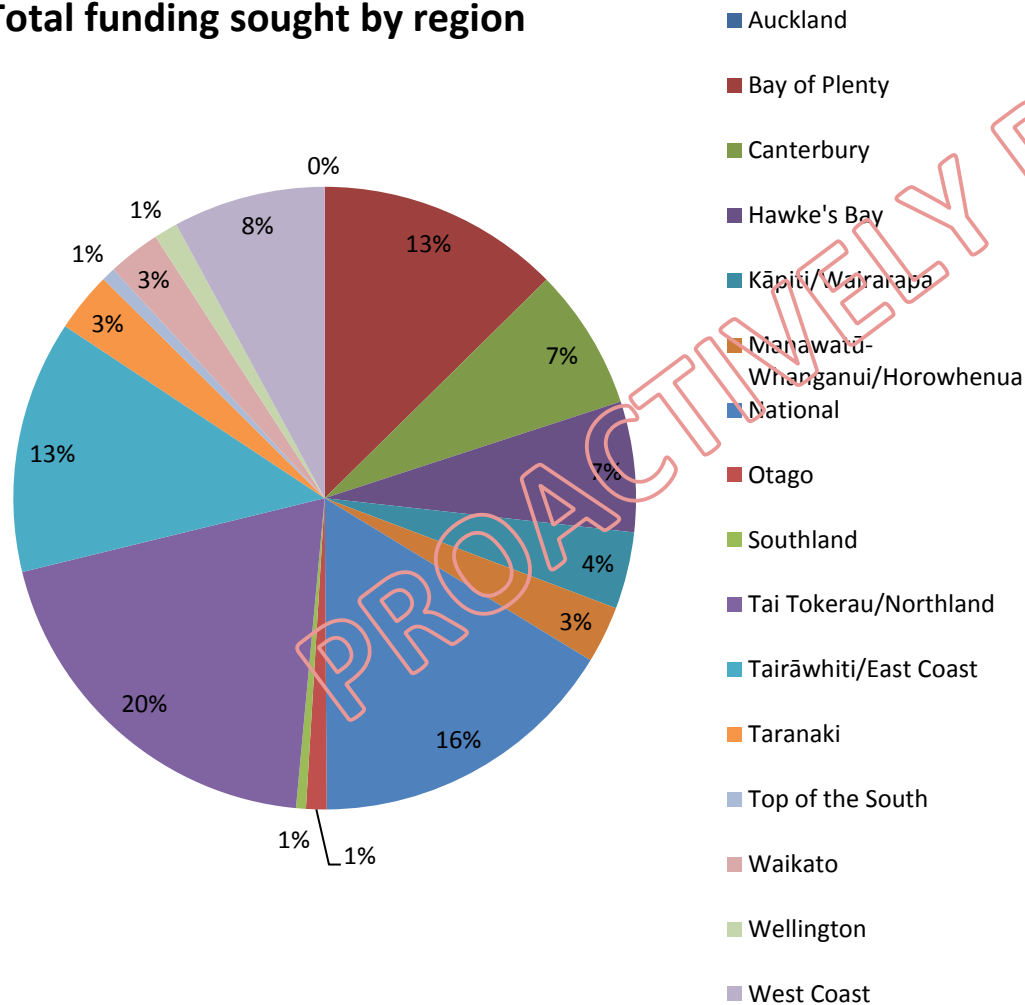
Progress of applications – 30 July 2018





Applications by region – 30 July 2018

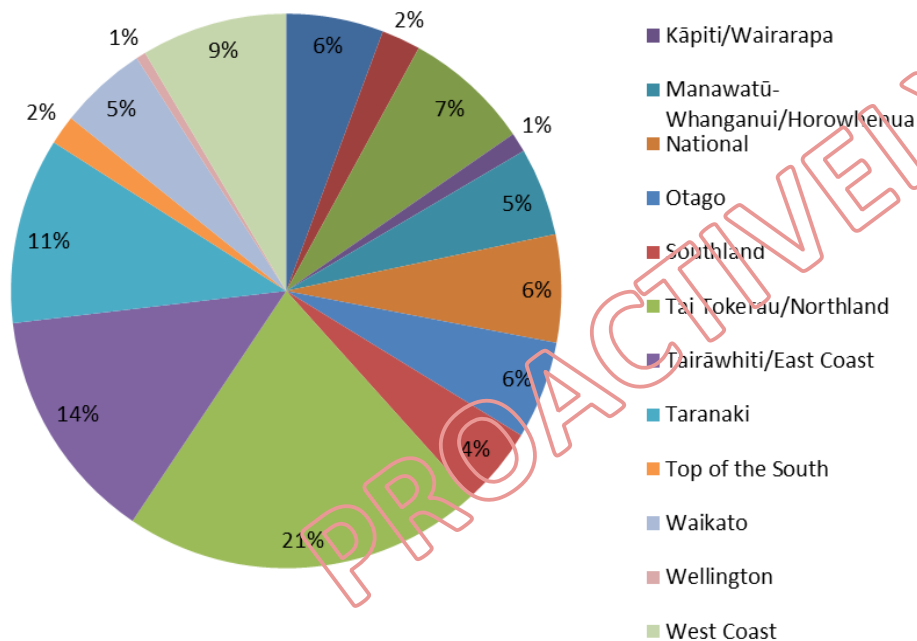
Total funding sought by region





Applications by sector – 30 July 2018

Proportion of applications by region



Number of applications by sector

