

# Regional Economic Development

Weekly Report

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# 1. Dashboard updates

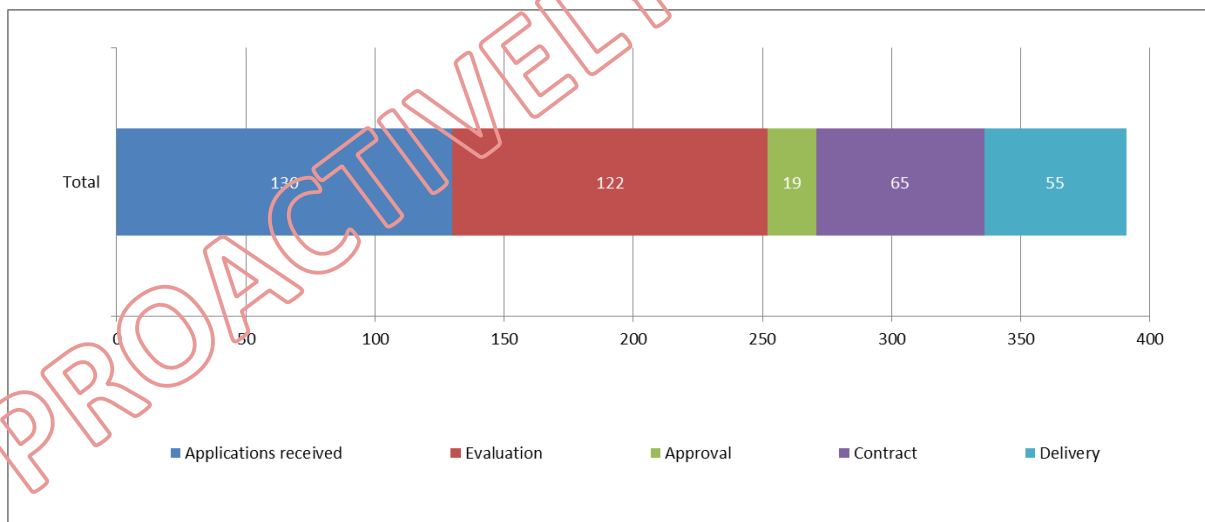
## 1.1 Status of applications

New projects this week	13
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Total number of projects	Expressions of interest (EOI)	Applications
682	291	391

Total funding approved to date	Total funding announced
166 projects for \$422m	86 projects for \$332m

## 1.2 Progress of applications as at 23 October



## 2. Regional Updates

### 2.1 Hawkes Bay

#### PipeDrive update

As at 8 November 2018, 59 Hawkes Bay applications and expressions of interest (EOIs) have been lodged in PipeDrive.

The status of those applications/EOIs is:

- 19 applications are undergoing assessment
- 13 applications have been approved
- 16 expressions of interest are undergoing assessment
- 11 applications have been declined.

#### Regional Activity

A Hawkes Bay package is emerging for announcement in 2019. The package currently includes:

- Te Ara Mahi – Programme to enhance employment and skills
- Apple and Pear – expanding the horticulture industry to meet unsatisfied demand, primarily in the Hawkes Bay
- Roading including Port Access – a modest package of roading infrastructure projects
- [REDACTED] Commercial Information
- Māori tourism proposal – to meet untapped demand in this area
- Kahutia – Possible announcement of the 1B Trees proposal being considered by Te Uru Rākau
- Regional applications based on local priorities.

#### Upcoming Announcements

The Parliamentary Under-Secretary to the Minister for Regional Economic Development will meet with the Hawkes Bay PGF Steering Group and key applicants on 29 November.

**Contact:** Mark Feary, Senior Regional Advisor, [REDACTED] Privacy of natural persons

## 2.2 East Coast / Tairāwhiti

### PipeDrive update

As at 8 November, there were 34 Tairāwhiti applications and EOIs which have been lodged in PipeDrive.

The status of those applications/EOIs is:

- 17 applications are undergoing assessment
- 17 applications have been approved
- 6 expressions of interest are undergoing assessment
- 2 applications have been declined.

### Regional Activity

- A workforce profile is being developed. Key stakeholders include representatives from the roading, transport and forestry sectors. The main focus is on employment and training options for young people not in employment, education or training (NEETs).
- To support the above, registers are being established to capture and record with specificity the numbers, names, and needs of employers, and similarly for NEETs so practical support can be planned and provided to both.
- A community call to action has been introduced by the PDU Principal Regional Advisor, together with government and regional stakeholders under the mantra C.A.R.E. (Commitment, Action, Reciprocity, Employment.) This will be progressively socialised over the next few months.
- Confidential advice to Government

**Contact:**

Privacy of natural persons

## 2.3 Waikato

### PipeDrive update

As at 9 November 2018, 34 EOI and applications from Waikato have been lodged in PipeDrive.

The status of those applications is:

- 7 applications have been approved
- 1 expressions of interest are proceeding to application
- 8 applications have been declined
- 6 expressions of interest will not proceeding to application
- 3 applications and expressions of interest were withdrawn by the applicant
- 7 applications are on hold
- 2 applications are awaiting further info

## Regional Activity

- The Waikato Regional Economic Development Programme 2018-2020 Launch is due to be held on November 14th at the Claudelands Events Centre, from 5:30pm - 7:30pm. It is an opportunity for the Waikato Economic Development Agency (Te Waka) to discuss the programme of work and regional economic priorities for 2018 - 2020. Approximately 200 people will be in attendance.
- An inter-agency meeting will be held in Hamilton on November 14th at Waikato Innovation Park. This meeting is an opportunity for agencies to discuss PGF priorities and develop a cross-agency work programme to guide our focus for the next six months. The intention is that this work programme will align with the various regional strategies across the region (e.g. The Waikato Plan, The Waikato Regional Māori Economic Action Plan and the Sub-Regional Waikato Economic Action Plan [SWEAP]).
- A meeting will be held on Thursday November 22nd to form a Waikato Māori Economic Taskforce group that will oversee and provide strategic advice to Te Waka on the roll-out of the Waikato Regional Māori Economic Action Plan. Terms of reference will be developed to guide the activities of this group. The key focus will be to: provide strategic advice on priority projects for implementation, provide a two-way communication channel, to lobby regional resourcing to contribute to PGF-ready projects and to identify risks and risk mitigation strategies if and when required.

## Upcoming Announcements

- The region has invited Minister Jones to return to the Coromandel to announce funding for three approved Commercial projects. We are awaiting the confirmation of potential dates for this announcement to occur. Commercial Information

## Tourism

- On November 14th, Hamilton Waikato Tourism are hosting a Regional Tourism Symposium at Hampton Downs. Tourism continues to be a strong recurring theme throughout the Waikato region. Further work is required to ensure Tainui Waka Tourism have the capability and capacity to ensure Māori tourism operators are engaged with the work of Hamilton Waikato Tourism and that Māori are key players in tourism development in the region.

## Hamilton Auckland Corridor Plan

- A workshop is being hosted by New Zealand Transport Agency (NZTA) on 8 November at Tūākau Memorial Hall. The purpose of the project is to develop an integrated spatial plan to establish an ongoing growth management partnership for the transport corridor between Hamilton and Auckland.

This partnership will accelerate identified transformational opportunities, outline key housing; employment; social; environmental and network infrastructure priorities for the corridor over the next 30 years, successfully accommodate growth and identify planning; development; infrastructure; mitigation and restoration works required.

**Contact:**

Michelle Paki, Senior Regional Advisor, Privacy of natural persons

### 3. Other Updates

#### 3.1 Manawatū-Whanganui Announcement

On 15 November 2018, Minister Jones will be hosting an event alongside the Minister for Broadband Connectivity in Feilding to announce a package of Provincial Growth Fund investments for the Manawatū-Whanganui region.

The announcement will be held at the Manfeild Training Centre in Feilding. Approximately 100 guests are expected to attend the event.

A briefing is currently being developed that will provide background details on the announcement package, events logistics on the day, facts relevant to economic development in Manawatū-Whanganui, speech notes and suggested questions and answers. The briefing will be submitted to Minister's office on the afternoon of Monday, 12 November 2018.

A draft press release for the announcement was provided to the Minister's Office on 7 November.

<b>Contact:</b>	Lafaele Lupo, Senior Regional Advisor, <small>Privacy of natural persons</small>
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## Appendix 1 – Upcoming Meetings & Events

Meeting / Event	Support
<b>Monday, 12 November 2018</b>	
Wairarapa RED Strategy Launch Event	
USEC Meeting with NZ Steel	
<b>Tuesday, 13 November 2018</b>	
<b>Wednesday, 14 November 2018</b>	
RED Officials Meeting (TBC)	
USEC in West Coast	Briefing due 12 Nov
<b>Thursday, 15 November 2018</b>	
PGF announcement in Manfeild	
<b>Friday, 16 November 2018</b>	
Independent Advisory Panel meeting	
Local Government Chief Officers Group meeting	

### November

- 19 USEC Te Puke Visit
- 21 RED Officials Meeting (TBC)  
Japan NZ Business Conference (USEC)
- 22 Senior Regional Officials meeting
- 28 DEV: Hold Co (TBC)  
DEV: Commercial  
RED Officials Meeting
- 29 PGF announcement in the West Coast  
USEC visit to West Coast

### December

- 6 Independent Advisory Panel meeting



## Appendix 2 – Media & Communications Schedule

Media & Communications Schedule			
Date of Event/ Announcement	Activity	Release Dates	MBIE Contact
29 November	Prime Minister, Minister Jones and Minister Sage to announce package of Provincial Growth Fund investments for the West Coast.	Due on 15 November	Laura Barnsley
15 November	Minister Jones and Minister Faafoi will be in Fielding to announce a package of Provincial Growth Fund investments for the West Coast	Provided on 7 November	Jarred Griffiths
16 November	Announcement of PGF funding for Taranaki Sawmills Ltd. PR provided to Minister's Office on 7 November 2018	Provided on 7 November	Jarred Griffiths

### Appendix 3 – Completed Briefings, Aides Memoire & Reports

Tracking number	Title	Minister/ USEC	Signed out by	Date delivered
1643 18-19	Update on PGF Involvement in Hawke's Bay for Officials meeting	USEC	Kate Styles	7 Nov
1636 18-19	Aide Memoire for meeting with Agritech re Farm 2050	Minister	Isabel Poulson	7 Nov
1608 18-19	Briefing and talking points for meeting with NZ Steel	USEC	Isabel Poulson	8 Nov
1529 18-19	Roadmap for implementation of Hold Co Option One	Minister	Isabel Poulson	8 Nov

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## Appendix 4 – Upcoming Cabinet Papers, Briefings, Aides Memoire & Reports

Tracking number	Title	Minister/ USEC	Signed out by	Due Date
TBC	Event Briefing for Rangiora Business Park meeting with Clayton Mitchell and Nigel Tutt,	Minister	Isabel Poulson	12 Nov
TBC	Event Briefing for USEC's visit to the West Coast	USEC	Al Morrison	12 Nov
TBC	Event Briefing for Local Government Chief Officers Group Council meeting	Minister	Isabel Poulson	12 Nov
TBC	Event Briefing for PGF Announcement in Manfeild	Minister	Kate Styles	12 Nov
TBC	Event Briefing for Wairarapa Regional Economic Development Strategy launch event	Minister	Isabel Poulson	12 Nov
TBC	Briefing and speaking notes for Japan NZ Business Council Annual Conference	USEC	Isabel Poulson	15 Nov
TBC	Event Briefing for meetings with Quayside Holdings, Te Puke Economic Development Group and Will Tatton	USEC	Isabel Poulson	15 Nov
TBC	Aide Memoire for Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu	Minister	Isabel Poulson	27 Nov
TBC	Event briefing for West Coast Provincial Growth Fund announcements	Minister	Kate Styles	29 Nov

## Appendix 5 – Official Information Act requests

Ministerial OIAs						
Tracking Number	Name	Date received	Date due to Minister's Office	Date due to requestor	Status	Request
OIA151	Privacy of natural persons	1 Oct 2018	6 Dec 2018	13 Dec 2018	Consultation	I request a copy of the following documents: Any reports, briefings, related correspondence and communications regarding the Far East Saw Mill in Tairāwhiti
OIA152		1 Oct 2018	22 Nov 2018	29 Nov 2018	Consultation	Copies: Meeting on matter re: ED agencies & Tourism Infrastructure review
OIA168		16 Oct 2018	13 Nov 2018	13 Nov 2018	Drafting	Copy of Draft 2017/18 Annual Report, 18 September
OIA170		17 Oct 2018	14 Nov 2018	14 Nov 2018	Sign out	Copy of Update Commercial Advisors Scheme opening Friday 28th Sept 2018
OIA171		18 Oct 2018	15 Nov 2018	15 Nov 2018	Consultation	Copies re PQ24490: India NZ Business Council Summit & Meeting with Bathurst
OIA172		19 Oct 2018	19 Nov 2018	16 Nov 2018	Consultation	Copy of the following document as referenced in WPQ 25125 (2018): An overview of forestry related PGF projects, 5 October 2018
OIA173		23 Oct 2018	19 Nov 2018	19 Nov 2018	Sign out	Copy of the following document as referenced in the answer to WPQ 25125 (2018): Prime Minister's visit to Matamata, 1 October 2018

## Departmental OIAs

Tracking Number	Name	Date received	Date due to Minister's Office	Date due to requestor	Status	Request
1819-0464	Privacy of natural persons	22 Sep 2018	N/A	16 Nov 2018	Consultation	Please provide all records the Ministry has on the Regional Development Funding application for the upgrade of the Russell Wharf
1819-0469		24 Sep 2018	13 Dec 2018	20 Dec 2018	Consultation	All funding applications and advice under Provincial Development Fund 27/08
1819-0488		26 Sep 2018	9 Nov 2018	16 Nov 2018	Consultation	Copy of all material Independent Advisory Panel Provincial Growth produced
1819-0485		26 Sep 2018	13 Dec 2018	20 Dec 2018	Consultation	Request complete list all projects announced Provincial Growth Fund 26 Sep
1819-0275		23 Aug 2018	1 Nov 2018	8 Nov 2018	Consultation	Items relating to funding Waitangi National Trust since November 2017
1819-0296		27 Aug 2018	9 Nov 2018	16 Nov 2018	Consultation	Applications, cases and advice that PDU has received re: fund recipients
1819-0621		18 Oct 2018	9 Nov 2018	16 Nov 2018	Drafting	Documents entitled 'One Page Assessment of Projects'.

**Appendix 6 – Ministerial Correspondence**

Ministerial Correspondence				
Tracking Number	Name	Date received	Due to Minister's Office	Subject
SJ1732	Privacy of natural persons	11 Oct 2018	7 Nov 2018	Commercial Information

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## Appendix 7 – Parliamentary Questions

Written Parliamentary Questions				
Tracking Number	From	Date received	Due to Minister's Office	Question
PQ 28757 (2018) – PQ 28892 (2018)	Hon Paul Goldsmith	7 November	12 November	115 x WPQs relating to Waipapa Intersection, Whakakā Lake Mānuka, Upper North Island Supply Chain, Wairoa-Napier line and Northland Rail Upgrade.

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**Appendix 8 – Proactive Release**

Documents for Proactive Release				
Tracking Number	Name	Due to Minister's Office	Due for release	Status

Documents Released This Week			
Tracking Number	Request	Sent	Published

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