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Dear [REDACTED]

Local Government Official Information Request

Thank you for your email dated 23 April 2019 with the following Local Government Official Information request:

Could you tell me if you have any unique or sensitive environment areas in regards to water catchments or such like around 1867 George King Memorial Drive, Hindon? I am aware of NESF-PF rules and have contacted Otago Regional Council in this regard also. However, could you tell me if Dunedin City Council have any other particular rules or provisions that could obstruct plantation forestry in this area?

Your request has been considered under the Official Information and Meetings Act (1987) and the following response is provided:

There are no landscape or other overlays in the Second Generation District Plan which would impact upon the establishment of forestry.

Please visit the following link to view the district plan maps:

<https://dunedin.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=f7fc69e07dba4db589ffe2ddcac4acc7>

Please note that Rule 10.3.4 does place restrictions upon which tree species can be planted, this is listed below for your information.

10.3.4 Tree Species

1. Forestry and shelterbelts and small woodlots must not include any of the following species:
 - a. Scots pine (*Pinus sylvestris*)
 - b. Douglas fir (*Pseudotsuga menziesii*)
 - c. Corsican pine (*Pinus nigra*)
 - d. Larch (*Larix decidua*)
 - e. Ponderosa pine (*Pinus ponderosa*)
 - f. Maritime pine (*Pinus pinaster*)
 - g. Sycamore (*Acer pseudoplatanus*)
 - h. Hawthorn (*Crataegus mongyna*)
 - i. Boxthorn (*Lycium ferocissimum*)
 - j. Rowan (*Sorbus aucuparia*)
2. Forestry that contravenes the performance standard for tree species is a restricted discretionary activity, except in an ONL or NCC overlay zone where it is a non-complying activity.
3. Shelterbelts and small woodlots that contravene the performance standard for tree species are a restricted discretionary activity, except in an Area of Significant Biodiversity Value (ASBV) or an ONF, ONL, HNCC, ONCC or NCC overlay zone where they are a non-complying activity.

Note 10.3.4A - Other requirements outside of the District Plan

1. A range of species including, for example, Lodgepole/contorta pine (*Pinus contorta*), Grey willow (*Salix cinerea*), Crack willow (*Salix fragilis*) and *Cotoneaster simonsii*, are classified as "unwanted organisms" under the Biosecurity Act 1993. As a result, these species are subject to strict controls under sections 52 and 53 of that Act. Under section 52, no person may communicate, release or otherwise spread any unwanted organism (except: as part of a pest management plan; in an emergency, as provided for in section 150 of the Act; for a scientific purpose authorised by the Minister for Primary Industries; or if an exception is made by a chief technical officer appointed under the Act). Under section 53, owners of unwanted organisms must not cause or permit the sale, propagation, breeding, or multiplication of that organism, except where an exception is made by a chief technical officer appointed under the Act.

Yours faithfully



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