Healthy Rivers –Wai Ora Forestry Proposal

Rules for Forestry

Following One Plan, ECAN plan and Proposed Auckland Unitary Plan)

Objectives and Policies

- PRPS & V&S
- Minimise soil erosion
- Restore water quality
- Manage effects forestry by industry management practices; and
- Sediment and erosion control plans
- Sediment and erosion control measures to minimise adverse effects

Proposal

- Forestry Land disturbance operations (earthworks, planting and harvesting) permitted activities subject to conditions
- Permits associated discharges sediment to water and or land where may enter water
- Permits associated diversion of water

Conditions General

- Prior notification of activities
- Industry good practice erosion and sediment control measures to be in place for duration of land disturbance, be installed prior and maintained until site stabilisation
- Works not result in instability of land or structures beyond boundary
- Accidental discovery protocols to be followed

Conditions Earthworks

- Set backs for earthworks 5 m from perennial streams, SNAs
- NB maintenance of existing earthworks within set back permitted
- Water runoff controls must be installed and maintained for earthworks
- Batters, cuts and side casting to be by methods that prevent slumping

Conditions Planting

- Set backs for new planting, replanting 5 m from perennial streams, SNAs
- Replanting or stabilisation vegetation within 2 planting seasons

Conditions Havesting

- Felled vegetation must be felled away from water bodies subject to exceptions- health and safety
- Hauling through water bodies less than 5m wide subject to exceptions
- Slash removed from streams if blocking river flow, diverting river flow or causing bank erosion

harvesting

 Slash associated with landings and processing sites must be place on stable ground and contained

Erosion and Sediment Control Plan

- Submitted to council if requested
- Includes harvest plan
- List of what plan must contain such as:
- > Locality plan, nature scale and timing of works
- Measures to be used
- ➤ Programme of works
- ➤ Method of extraction
- > Location of water bodies, SNAs

Issues

- Set backs do they create permitted base line
- Should there be in stream standards for SS
- Monitoring costs
- Compliance section 70 for permitted discharges
- Set back applications to intermittent streams