

DRINKING WATER SUPPLIES



5.0 Introduction

Section 126(1)(a) of the Local Government Act 2002 provides that an assessment of water services must set out information about the means by which drinking water is obtained within the district and the extent to which it is potable (i.e. suitable for drinking by humans).

There is a particular focus on water services which are not provided by the Hauraki District. Council facilities are described in the asset management plans which can be referred to for any additional information required.

Facilities that are not owned by Hauraki District Council may include communities, such as groups of houses or residential properties forming part of an industrial facility, such as a processing or dairy factory, a defence base, hospital or educational institution.

The communities considered in the assessment of drinking water systems utilise a variety of water collection systems including roof catchments, springs, wells and small streams, rivers or lakes. In collecting this data the Hauraki District Council have identified for each system; the populations served and the types of treatment or point of use treatment system which are utilised by the communities. They may be connected to an industry supply or other community system operated by an agency other than the Hauraki District Council.

6.0 Communities

The word community has many meanings in the Local Government Act 2002 and other legislation. However, for this assessment, “community” is defined as a grouping of potable water users with supply arrangements, usage requirements or geographical situations sufficiently similar to allow water and sanitary services to be usefully assessed for the grouping.

6.1 Community Identification

The communities identified for the water supply activity are as listed:

- i) Council Water Supply Networks
- ii) Marae
- iii) Schools & Camp Facilities
- iv) Hospitality Industry
- v) Sports Facilities, Halls & Churches
- vi) Tramping Huts (DoC)
- vii) Travelling Public
- viii) Whiritoa Urban Non-Serviced
- ix) Plains Non-Serviced
- x) Rural Non-Serviced

