

WATER SERVICES UNIT NOTICE TO AVON RIVER USERS MCBRATNEYS ROAD TO WAINONI ROAD BRIDGE PROPOSED RIVER CLOSURE

RIVER USERS ARE WARNED THAT diquat herbicide will be applied in areas of the Kerrs Reach, Avon River on Wednesday 14th March 2001 or on the first fine day after this (excluding weekends)

This work is being carried out to trial control methods for exotic aquatic weed growth and is authorised by a Resource Consent CRC 991008 issued by Environment Canterbury. The trial work is being monitored by specialist teams for environmental impacts and feasibility.

Treated water shall not be used for bathing, human consumption, drunk by livestock or pets or used for plant irrigation for a period of 24 hours following application of the diquat.

As a precaution the river areas that are within the likely flow pattern of the treated areas will be closed for 24 hours from time of application.

CLOSURE WILL EXTEND FROM DUDLEY CREEK CONFLUENCE, MCBRATNEYS ROAD, TO THE WAINONI ROAD BRIDGE

River Users are advised to keep clear of the river and margins within the closed area which will be sign posted at access points and patrolled by Council staff. The extent of the closed area may be reviewed subject to water quality tests during the period of closure.

Any inconvenience to river users is regretted

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