

Wastewater Treatment Plant upgrade:

The plant upgrade is included in Council's 2018-28 long-term plan.

The 30-year-old plant is in need of upgrade to enable continuation of reduction and maintenance of nutrient levels below targets agreed under the Te Arawa Lakes Water Quality Programme and the new NPS Freshwater. Upgrade is also necessary to increase capacity to cater to future increased demand and to enable housing and development.

The LTP proposed the upgrade be funded through borrowing. Total estimated cost \$60-65 million.

Employment will be created through estimated two-year construction period (at least 50 FTEs estimated), through enabling of housing construction and through potential environmental, recreational and cultural tourism.

More about the treatment plant upgrade [HERE](#) on Council's website

PLEASE NOTE: the applicaton to CIP relates to treatment plant upgrade only, not discharge.

Aquatic Centre:

Aquatic Centre improvements are included in the 2018-28 Long-term Plan with Council committing \$7.5m to improve the 50m outdoor pool and for key refurbishments required to support proposed further developments.

Additional funding was to be sought externally for further proposed developments (total estimated cost of \$15.43m) including new Learn to Swim (LTS) facility, hydro slide and water splash attraction, bombing pool, new poolside gymnasium, and expansion of change rooms and administration areas – with additional space for future facilities such as food outlet, retail, children's party space and child minding services.

Enhanced Aquatic Centre has the potential to become another key attraction for the city.

Potential job benefits: approximately 80 jobs for design, professional services, supply chain and construction and new facilities would create new jobs.

See more [HERE](#) on Council's website about what's proposed for the Aquatic Centre

Rotorua Airport Hangar park

Part of airport Master Plan that has been in development for more than two years but COVID-19 disruptions have impacted ability to fund and start the project.

The project is to develop an area of land into a comprehensive hangar park that can be used for a variety of aviation purposes as well as light industry type activities such as storage.

Seeking \$8.6m (50% of total cost) and construction would support an estimated 200 to 300 jobs including for design professionals, consultants, contractors and sub-contractors and suppliers.

Rotorua Airport industrial/business park

Project is part of the airport's existing Master Plan. It will help the airport to leverage value from its unused land and diversify its revenue, as well as opening up needed industrial land for the likes of logistics, manufacturing and other commercial/industrial uses.

Seeking \$13,35m (\$50 per cent of total project) to enable currently halted project to progress.

The uses and businesses being targeted for the business park will be those that complement the airport activities and are not anticipated to impact the viability of the CBD.

Construction is expected to generate between 150 – 200 jobs (including design professionals, consultants, contractors and sub-contractors, suppliers of material).

Lake Rotoehu reticulation

Lake Rotoehu has been identified by Government as a priority lake for restoration as part of the Te Arawa Lakes restoration programme in which Rotorua Lakes Council is a partner.

This project would see Rotoehu communities connected to the new East Rotoiti/Rotoma network. See more about that [HERE](#) on Council's website.

While included in Council's 2018-28 Long-term Plan, this project (estimated total cost \$10m) currently has no confirmed funding.

As well as environmental benefits of reticulation (improved water quality), this project would enable opening up of land for housing (and associated jobs) and would sustain about 15 jobs per year for a period of about two years for construction. Suppliers professional services would also benefit and potential environmental, recreational and cultural tourism would provide further employment benefits.

Rotorua Lakefront Developments

This proposed project would be an extension of the \$40m redevelopment of the lakefront which is already underway (see more about it [HERE](#) on Council's website) and was expected to provide the basis for private investment in the likes of buildings for hospitality which due to COVID-19 may now be at risk.

Funding for this project (total estimated cost \$17.2m) is sought for construction of commercial buildings (tourism and hospitality precinct), construction of high quality jetties and development of Ohinemutu Village (destination infrastructure).

The project is expected to create approximately 28 FTEs during construction and has the potential to create further jobs in the tourism and hospitality precinct, an estimated 54 FTEs.

Forest developments

This proposed project would be an extension of the \$14.5m Whakarewarewa Forest redevelopments which are already partially completed (see more about this [HERE](#) on Council's website). Like the lakefront redevelopment, the forest development was expected to provide the basis for future private investment which due to COVID-19 is now at risk.

This project (total estimated cost \$13.9m) includes construction of commercial buildings at Forest Hub 2 near Lake Tikitapu (for eg bike hire, retail, café/restaurant and supporting office and storage); train construction and maintenance to protect and grow Rotorua's domestic visitor market and position for international market recovery.

This work would create immediate employment opportunities for a significant number or recently unemployed workers from the tourism and related sectors.

These workers would have the opportunity to develop skills that would be transferable to the broader construction sector.

Direct employment resulting from construction and maintenance activity is estimated to be 85 to 100 FTE for a minimum of 12 months with potential for further jobs, an estimated 40+, once Hub 2 buildings were occupied by operators.

Unlocking urban land development package

This submission seeks funding for roading and stormwater infrastructure to remove barriers to housing and industrial development and will help to facilitate the development of Maori land, provide housing and generate short and long-term employment.

Rotorua has a current estimated housing shortfall of at least 1500 to 1750 and a shortage of available industrial land.

This submission proposes SH30 upgrades (estimated \$15m-20m) of four intersections at Wharenui Rd, Brent Rd, Basley Rd and airport/Eastgate and stormwater infrastructure (estimated \$5-10m plus)

This project is currently unfunded but has been recognised by the Rotorua Housing Strategy - Te Tāwharautanga ki - Rotorua Establishment Leadership Group (ELG) as a priority for Central Government intervention.

These works would have the potential to create hundreds of jobs through road and infrastructure construction, leading into housing and industrial construction and then employment through businesses sited on new industrial land.

Kaingaroa Village developments – a joint submission with Te Puni Kokiri

This project will accelerate implementation of the Kaingaroa Village Community Development plan by providing capital funding to construct and install necessary infrastructure and facilities for community use including: a new water bore and underground infrastructure; upgraded roading; new streetlights; new parks and playgrounds; refurbished community facilities including the Village Council buildings, marae, school, parks and reserves and Village Hall.

Planning and design work has begun for this project, however, construction is not yet underway due to not being able to secure funding.

The work will create an estimated 100 jobs during the construction phase, 20 ongoing, and various opportunities for local small businesses.

Funding of \$4.9m is sought from CIP for the project (total cost \$14m)