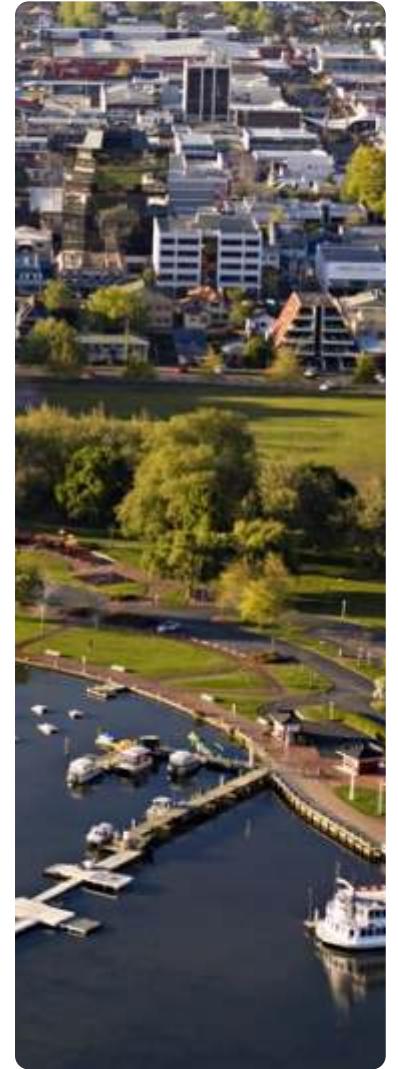
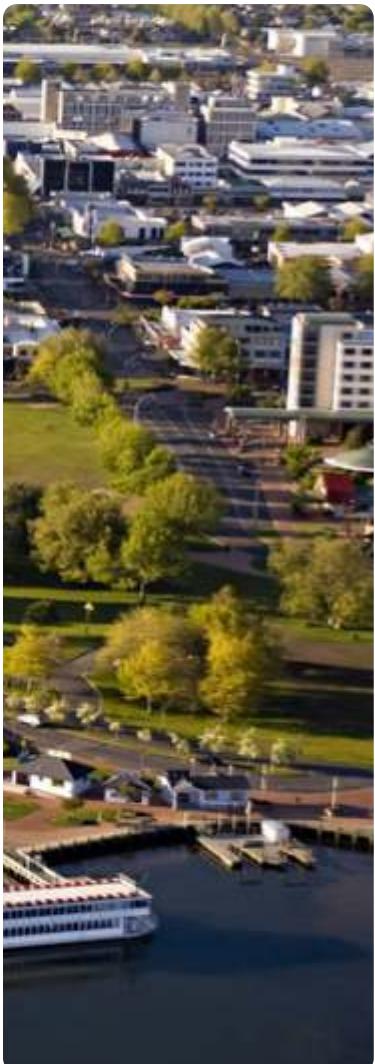


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Acronyms

| | | | |
|-----------------|--|------------------|-----------------------------------|
| CBD | Central business district | NS | No sample |
| CEO | Chief executive officer | PM ¹⁰ | Particular matter less than 10 µm |
| CO ² | Carbon dioxide | PNA | Protected natural area |
| dBA | Decibels | QEII | Queen Elizabeth II |
| E. coli | Escherichia coli | RDC | Rotorua District Council |
| EBOP | Environment Bay of Plenty | RMA | Resource Management Act 1991 |
| EPI | Environmental performance indicator | RUTS | Rotorua Urban Transport Strategy |
| EW | Environment Waikato | SARS | Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome |
| ha | Hectare | TLI | Tropic-level Index |
| kg | Kilogram | TN | Total nitrogen |
| kg/d | Kilograms per day | TP | Total Phosphorus |
| km | Kilometres | WWTP | Waste Water Treatment Plant |
| km/hr | Kilometres per hour | µm | Micrometre |
| LAMA | Local air management area | °C | Degrees celsius |
| LCDB2 | Land Cover Database 2 | % | Percentage |
| LGA | Local Government Act 2002 | | |
| L10 | Loud noises that we hear a little of the time such as a truck going past or an aeroplane or someone slamming a door. If you measured noise over a period of time these noises would be heard 10% of the time. | | |
| L95 | Common background noise that we hear all day every day. If you were to measure noise over a period of time it is the background noise you would hear 95% of the time such as trees blowing in the breeze or birds etc. | | |
| MCI | Macro-invertebrate community index | | |
| Mt. | Mount | | |
| m ² | Square metres | | |
| m ³ | Cubic metres | | |
| NES | National Environmental Standard | | |
| NES-AQ | National Environmental Standards for Air Quality | | |
| NIWA | National Institute of Weather and Atmospheric Research | | |

