ANNEXURE 7 Preliminary Site Investigation Report

Preliminary Site Investigation Hauschilds Rd Tai Tapu

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1. Introduction

J Williams and S & Z Croft are proposing to subdivide approximately 8.1 ha located on Hauschilds Rd in Tai Tapu. The National Environmental Standard (NESCS) for Assessing and Managing Contaminants in Soil to Protect Human Health (2011) requires a property to be assessed when it is undergoing a subdivision or change of land use. Before the local Council can authorise such changes a Preliminary Site Investigation (PSI) must be undertaken with regard to the regulations in the NESCS. The land use history of the site will be assessed against the Hazardous Activities and Industries List (HAIL). The HAIL is a list of activities and industries that have the potential to contaminate soil. The investigation will indicate whether or not the site is fit for the proposed purpose or additional information is required.

During the preparation of this report Information has been sought from Environment Canterbury, discussions with the current owners, historical aerial photographs and by visiting the site.

2. Site Identification

Owners: J Williams

S & Z Croft

Site address: Cnr Lincoln Tai Tapu Rd and Hauschilds Rd

Locality: Tai Tapu

Legal description: Lot 1 DP 436571

Lot 2 DP 436571

Total Area: 4.05 ha

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Map reference: Longitude: 172.543751 Latitude: -43.664346 (Figure 1 & 2)

District Plan Zoning: Inner Plains

3. Proposed Development

This PSI has been prepared to support an application for a proposed plan change and subdivision consent. The likely subdivision will involve creating sixteen new titles. The size of the new properties will range between 2,520 m² and 9,160 m².

A proposed scheme plan showing the likely new lots and building areas is attached as Appendix 1. Please note that the attached scheme plan is only a draft proposal and may be subject to change.



Figure 1 – Site location map

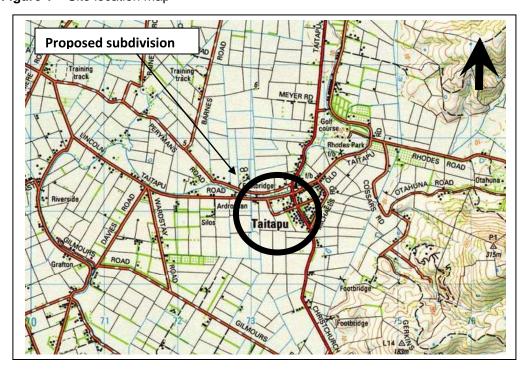
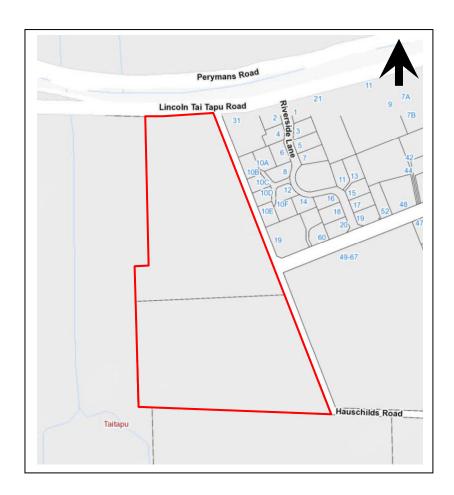


Figure 2 – Location map showing the area to be developed





4. Site Conditions and Surrounding Environment

The property being developed covers a total area of approximately 8.1 ha. The site is flat with an elevation of less than 3 m above sea level. The eastern side of the property is bound by Hausechilds Rd while the northern boundary is immediately adjacent to Lincoln Tai Tapu Rd. To the west and south is existing farm land.

The property is currently being used for pastoral farming. There were no structures on the property at the time of the investigation. Recent aerial photographs show an anomalous area at the southern end of the property. At the time of the investigation this area was not vegetated and appeared to have been recently worked. The current owner of the property, Mrs S Croft, explained that this was a natural low point in the land that is part of a swale that runs west east across the paddock. They have imported natural topsoils from adjacent residential land to fill this area. The stockpiles of fill are evident in the 2012 aerial photograph shown in Section 5 below. A shallow test pit (0.5 m) showed topsoil material with some organics and some gravel confirming the comments from Mrs Croft.

The geology of the property being developed, as described by GNS Science web map, is Holecene River deposits being modern river floodplain/low-level degredation terrace. Unweathered, variably sorted gravel/sand/silt/clay. Surfaces < 2 degree slope.

The site is predominantly surrounded by rural land uses however adjacent to the eastern boundary is a residential subdivision which is part of the Tai Tapu township. As discussed earlier there are no structures or buildings on the investigation area however immediately adjacent to the western boundary and at the northern end is the original farm yard area from when the surrounding land was being run as one farm. The yard includes sheds, stock yards and a former sheep spray.

Figure 3 shows an aerial photograph of the site while Figure 4 shows the former sheep spray on the adjacent property.

5. Site History

Previous land uses associated with a site can be visually tracked through historical aerial photographs if they are available. Environment Canterbury online database (Canterbury Maps) provide aerial photographs for 1973 and 1984. These are shown as Figures 5 & 6 respectively. Google Earth images show the site in 2004 and 2012 (Figures 7 & 8)

The historical aerial photographs show that the area being proposed for development has primarily been used for pastoral grazing purposes. It is unlikely that the property was used for anything other than grazing before 1973. It is evident in Figure 5 that the surrounding land, including the adjacent farm yard area was all part of the same farm property. The sheep spray located within the yard area is clearly visible and appears to be operational in 1973. There is a small anomaly shown in the northern paddock in 1973 however a hand dug test pit in this area showed no indication of any introduced or uncontrolled fill.



Figure 3 – Aerial photograph of the property



Figure 4 – the sheep spray located on the adjacent property





Figure 6 shows the site in 1984. Very little has changed with regard to the general use of the property however at the southern end of the property is an anomalous feature that requires further investigation.

The site was not listed on Environment Canterbury's Listed Land Use Register (LLUR). The LLUR statements are attached as Appendix 2.

Figure 5 – Hauschilds Rd 1973



Figure 6 - Hauschilds Rd 1984





Figure 7 – Hauschilds Rd 2004



Figure 8 – Hauschilds Rd 2012





6. Conceptual Site Model

A conceptual site model helps to identify whether or not a complete exposure pathway exists. An exposure pathway must include a contaminant source, a transport mechanism and a receptor. If one of these components does not exist or can be removed then the exposure pathway is incomplete. If the exposure pathway is incomplete then there is little risk to human health at this location. For an agricultural site the possible HAIL activities associated with this land use type is bulk storage, use and disposal of persistent pesticides, refuse pits, fuel storage, commercial work shops and former sheep dip or spray sites. A conceptual site model has been prepared for the site and is included as Figure 9. An assessment of the exposure pathway will be discussed below in Section 8 – Site Characterisation.

7. Soil Sample Analysis

The conceptual site model identifies sheep dips or sprays as a potential contamination source. Sheep sprays are known to have used persistent priority contaminants such as arsenic, dieldrin and DDT as part of the sheep treatment process. Typically sheep were moved through the dip or spray and then held in concrete based pens to dry before being let out into adjacent paddocks. Unfortunately, it was also common to release the sheep into adjacent paddocks straight after being treated and not giving them time to fully dry thus the spray or dip chemicals were released on to the surrounding land area.

As discussed earlier, a former sheep spray has been identified on the adjacent property. That property and the property under investigation once operated as one farm. It is therefore possible that sheep may have been released from the sheep spray and directed on to the property being investigated via a set of adjoining gates. To identify whether or not spray contaminants were carried into the adjacent paddocks, three surface soil samples were collected from the area immediately adjacent to the gate entrance. The soil sample locations are shown in Figure 10.

Sampling was undertaken on 5 August 2015. Soil samples were collected using a stainless steel trowel and placed directly into clean jars provided by Hill Laboratories Ltd.

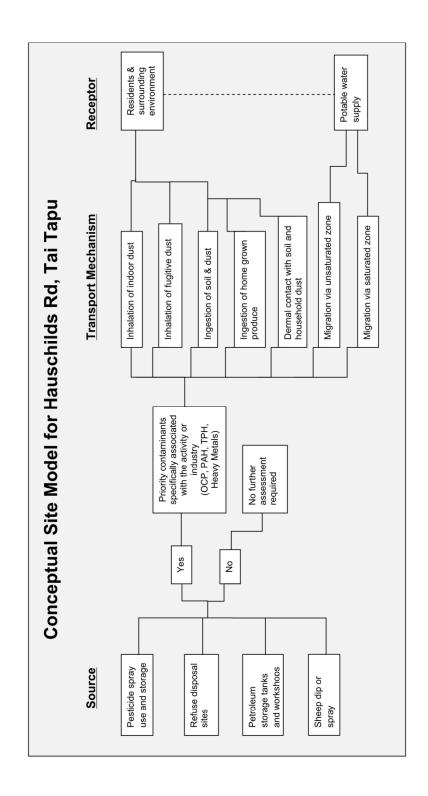
All sampling equipment was cleaned in Decon 90 and rinsed in freshwater before collecting the sample. Field staff wore clean gloves when collecting each sample to minimise the potential for cross contamination. The samples were delivered to Hill Laboratories in Christchurch the same day they were collected. Hill Laboratories are an internationally recognised laboratory that is endorsed by International Accreditation New Zealand (IANZ).

Each soil sample was analysed for arsenic, zinc and organochlorine pesticides (OCP).

The results of the soil samples are shown in Table 1 and compared to the NESCS rural residential trigger values. Only contaminants that showed a concentration above laboratory detection limit are included in Table 1. The full Hill Laboratories report is attached as Appendix 3.



Figure 9 – Conceptual site model



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Figure 10 – soil sample locations



Table 1 - Analytical results

mg/kg	TT1	TT2	TT3	NESCS Trigger Value
Arsenic	21	20	13	17
Zinc	139	131	116	720*
DDT	0.66	0.99	1.14	45
Dieldrin	0.154	0.164	0.097	1.1

^{*} The NESCS does not provide a rural residential trigger value for zinc therefore the value shown in Table 1 is from the 'Dutch Guidelines' (Ministry of Housing, Spatial Planning and the Environment - 2000) for a residential land use.



The results in Table 2 show that two of the three arsenic concentrations are above the relevant trigger value.

8. Site Characterisation

The conceptual site model identifies sheep dips / sprays, refuse pits, fuel storage, pesticide use and storage and workshops as possible HAIL activities that may cause contaminant concentrations in the soil to be elevated. The property being investigated has primarily been used for pastoral grazing purposes. No structures have been associated with the site therefore the storage of fuel and pesticides is unlikely to have occurred while pastoral grazing is not considered as a land use that was exposed to the extensive application of persistent pesticides.

A natural low area at the southern end of the property has been filled in with natural soils by the current owners. There is no evidence that the material used to fill the area was taken from a known contaminated site. A shallow test pit confirmed that the material is made up of natural topsoil. A second possible fill area was identified in the 1973 aerial photograph however subsurface investigations did not identify any uncontrolled fill at this location.

A former sheep spray has been identified on the adjacent property. Given the location and layout of the facility, three soil samples were collected from t a location where treated sheep were likely to have entered the investigation property. The analytical results showed elevated arsenic concentrations that are above the NESCS trigger value for a rural residential land use therefore a complete exposure pathway may exist if the development is to go ahead. It is anticipated that contamination is most likely highest at this point and decreases in concentration with distance away from the entry point onto the property, however this will need to be shown through further investigation.

9. Recommendation

The following recommendations are suggested:

- Prior to the property being subdivided, further investigation is required to ascertain
 the depth and extent of the arsenic contamination that has been identified along the
 western boundary and shown in Figure 10;
- A site remedial action plan will be required following the additional investigation and prior to any earthworks being undertaken;
- No other HAIL activities associated with agricultural land use practices have been identified:
- While the information that has been sought as part of this investigation indicates that some soil contaminant concentrations have been identified that may pose a risk to human health, it would be prudent to highlight to contractors undertaking earthworks on any part of the property, that if by discovery odorous, discoloured or uncontrolled fill is observed (including buried refuse) then the appropriate authorities should be contacted.



10. Limitations

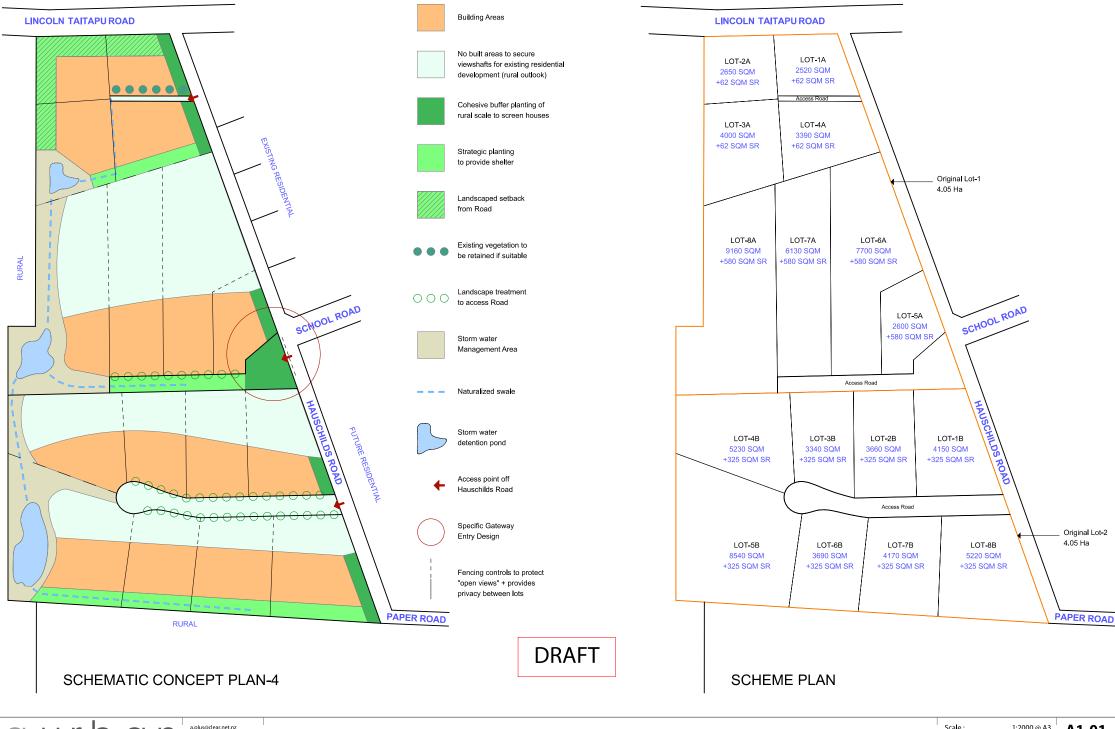
This report has been prepared based on site conditions as they exist at the time of writing and the information that has been assessed. If subsequent investigations involving earthworks or remedial actions are undertaken from the date of this report then certain aspects of this report may no longer be relevant or require amendment. In addition, if HAIL activities occur on the site after the date of this report then the conclusions and recommendations presented in this report may no longer be relied on.

People associated with the property have provided information in regard to certain activities that may or may not have been associated with the site. The information they have provided is included in the assessment of the property and has been accepted in good faith by the author.

This investigation was carried out solely for the purpose of assessing contaminants in the soil associated with the land being suitable for residential occupation only. It has purposely not assessed the possible impacts of contaminants on ecological values associated with the site. Any other investigations that are required to determine the suitability of this property are outside the scope of this report.

Appendix 1

Proposed Scheme Plan



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Appendix 2 LLUR Statements



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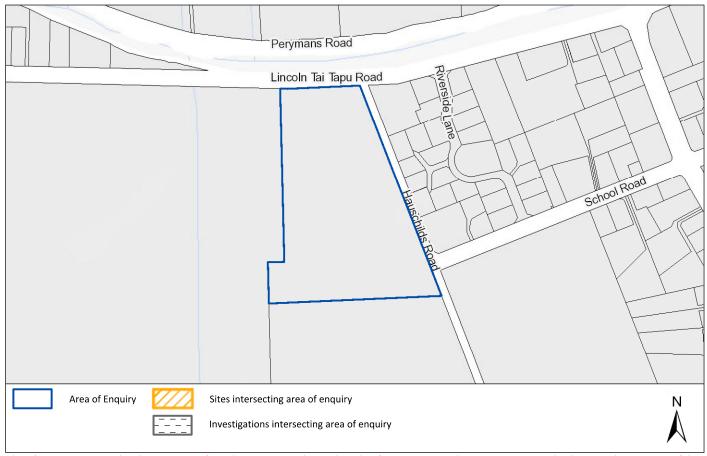
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There are no sites associated with the area of enquiry.

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SUMMARY OF METHODS

The following table(s) gives a brief description of the methods used to conduct the analyses for this job. The detection limits given below are those attainable in a relatively clean matrix. Detection limits may be higher for individual samples should insufficient sample be available, or if the matrix requires that dilutions be performed during analysis.

Sample Type: Soil							
Test	Method Description	Default Detection Limit	Sample No				
Environmental Solids Sample Preparation	Air dried at 35°C and sieved, <2mm fraction. Used for sample preparation.	-	1-3				
Troparation	May contain a residual moisture content of 2-5%.						



Sample Type: Soil							
Test	Method Description	Default Detection Limit	Sample No				
Organochlorine Pesticides Screening in Soil	Sonication extraction, SPE cleanup, dual column GC-ECD analysis (modified US EPA 8082) Tested on dried sample	0.010 - 0.04 mg/kg dry wt	1-3				
Total Recoverable digestion	Nitric / hydrochloric acid digestion. US EPA 200.2.	-	1-3				
Total Recoverable Arsenic	Dried sample, sieved as specified (if required). Nitric/Hydrochloric acid digestion, ICP-MS, screen level. US EPA 200.2.	2 mg/kg dry wt	1-3				
Total Recoverable Zinc	Dried sample, sieved as specified (if required). Nitric/Hydrochloric acid digestion, ICP-MS, screen level. US EPA 200.2.	4 mg/kg dry wt	1-3				

These samples were collected by yourselves (or your agent) and analysed as received at the laboratory.

Samples are held at the laboratory after reporting for a length of time depending on the preservation used and the stability of the analytes being tested. Once the storage period is completed the samples are discarded unless otherwise advised by the client.

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