

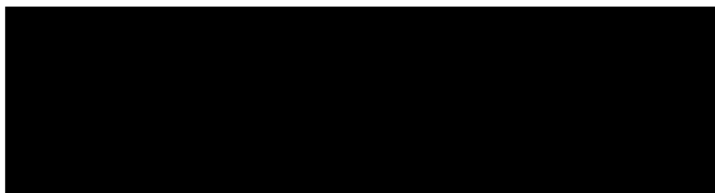


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Dear [REDACTED]

OFFICIAL INFORMATION REQUEST FOR ENQUIRY INTO FIREARMS RANGES

I refer to your official information request dated 23/11/21 for information pertaining to firearms ranges in the Nelson City Council territory. Specifically, two queries were raised, firstly whether there are any firearms ranges in the territory and secondly whether any of these are included in the district plan.

The Council does not hold a record of local firearms ranges, however; to our knowledge, the following shooting ranges are operational:

- Harvey Rifle Range - Cable Bay Road
- Peak View Rifle Range - Lower Flowers Road
- Packers Creek Rifle Range - Sharlands Road

They are all located in the Rural Zone, which provides for commercial activities up to 300m² in area, provided they comply with other district wide rules, such as noise and access standards. Noise is measured at the nearest dwelling and not on the rifle range site. To our understanding the rifle ranges are sited well enough away from other dwellings and can comply with the noise level requirements. Our current Nelson Resource Management Plan does not expressly provide for firearm ranges within any zone.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this response. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or Freephone 0800 802 602.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact Maxine Day maxine.day@ncc.govt.nz (Environmental Planning Manager, Nelson City Council).

Yours sincerely

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