

**TBfree** 

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## Dear Sir/Madam

## **AERIAL POSSUM CONTROL - STORMY RIDGE**

This is to advise that the Stormy Ridge aerial possum control operation is planned in your area for winter 2017. This operation will help reduce the possum population to the low, even numbers required to prevent the spread of bovine tuberculosis (TB). It is being undertaken as part of OSPRI New Zealand's TBfree programme.

Over the coming months, we will be conducting an extensive consultation process with landowners, the local community and other interested parties. Following this consultation, final operational plans will be prepared and permission will be sought from all consenting authorities. These will include affected landowners, Medical Officer of Health and the Department of Conservation.

Please find enclosed an operational fact sheet which includes a map of the proposed operational area. Also enclosed is a close-up map showing the operational boundaries in relationship to adjoining properties. The boundaries shown are indicative only at this stage, and are subject to change as a result of consultation and consent processes.

Vector Free Marlborough Limited has been contracted to carry out this aerial operation. A contractor representative will contact you if your property is within or is immediately adjoining the operational boundary. Their contact details are:

CONTACT PERSON	TELEPHONE	EMAIL
Barry Polson	021 502 811	vectorfreebarry@xtra.co.nz

If you would like further information about the operation in relationship to your property prior to our contractor starting consultation, please either complete the enclosed consultation reply form and return it to us in the self-addressed envelope provided or email us (details below). Alternatively, if you would like to speak directly with OSPRI staff we will be available on:

DATE	VENUE	TIMES
Thursday, 6 April 2017	Karamea Bowling Club Waverley Street Karamea	<ul><li>10am – 1pm</li><li>4.30pm – 7.30pm</li></ul>

We are also planning to hold a public information meeting and will let you know the details of this when finalised.



If you are no longer the land occupier at this address, please let us know so that we can update our records. For further details on this operation or OSPRI New Zealand's TBfree programme, please contact us on 03 769 9098, or email <a href="mailto:vectornsi@ospri.co.nz">vectornsi@ospri.co.nz</a>

Yours sincerely

Josh King

Programme Manager

## Attachments

- Aerial TB Control Stormy Ridge 2017 factsheet
- Map
- Consultation reply form and self-addressed envelope