# Regional Economic Development

Weekly Report

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# 1. Dashboard updates

## 1.1 Status of applications

New projects this week	21
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Total number of projects	Expressions of interest (EOI)	Applications
577	268	307

Total funding approved to date	Total funding announced	
\$416m	\$321m	

## 1.2 Progress of applications as at 1 October



## 2. Regional Updates

#### 2.1 West Coast

#### Pipedrive update

As at 2 October, 59 applications from the West Coast have been lodged in PipeDrive. The status of those applications is:

- 18 are EOIs or applications for funding
- 16 are being assessed
- 10 have been approved
- 8 have been declined.
- 7 are on hold.

#### **PGF Funding package**

We are continuing to develop the package of announcements for the West Coast to be announced during the visit to the region by the Prime Minister, Deputy Prime Minister and Minister for Regional Economic Development currently scheduled for 29 November 2018.

An important component of the package is a set of Buller District tourism initiatives, which will be the subject of a Cabinet paper due to be considered by DEV on 31 October 2018.

#### Relationship with Development West Coast

The Provincial Development Unit (PDU) is working closely with Development West Coast (DWC) on the Provincial Grown Fund (PGF) programme on the West Coast. We have signed a Memorandum of Understanding with DWC that sets out the working relationship between PDU and DWC and the workflow processes for all PGF applications. This is a basis for ensuring that all potential West Coast PGF projects are vetted by the region and are aligned with its priorities.

#### New West Coast Economic Development Strategy

The West Coast has released its new Economic Development Strategy for 2018 to 2025. Its vision is that the West Coast will become a thriving and prosperous region that will work together to drive innovation through better utilisation of its unique natural resources that will foster growth, while caring for communities and the environment. The strategy document includes the region's economic development initiatives proposed for funding in 2018, many of which have already been submitted to the PDU for assessment.

Contact: Kate Styles, Manager Regional Investment, Privacy of natural persons

#### 2.2 Kāpiti-Wairarapa

#### Pipedrive update

As at 3 October 2018, 16 applications from the Kāpiti region have been lodged in PipeDrive. The status of those applications are:

- 14 are on hold
- 1 has been declined
- 1 has been withdrawn.

A number of projects are currently on hold as the PDU have asked that the Kāpiti Coast District Council collaborate within their region with other stakeholders and work through their regional priorities.

As at 3 October 2018, 5 applications from the Wairarapa region have been logged in PipeDrive. The status of those applications are:

- 1 EOI has been received
- 1 is being assessed
- 3 are on hold.

#### **Regional Activity**

The Senior Regional Official (SRO) and Senior Regional Advisor (SRA) plan to visit the Kāpiti region on 5 October to meet with the Kāpiti Coast District Council and Mayor K Gurunathan.

The SRO and SRA also plan to visit Wairarapa on 9 October to meet with three District Council CEs, Mayors and other stakeholders.

Contact: Kate Styles, Manager Regional Investment, Privacy of natural persons

#### 2.1 Waikato

#### **Appedrive update**

As at 3 October 2018, 36 applications from the Waikato region have been lodged in PipeDrive. The status of those applications are:

- 13 Expressions of Interest/applications have been received
- 9 are being assessed
- 2 have been approved
- 12 on hold, unsupported or declined.

#### **Regional Update**

The Waikato Economic Action Plan is currently being drafted off the back of the Economic Summit that was held in August. Te Waka (the Waikato Regional Development Agency) aim to have the plan completed by end of October, with a view to presenting this to Minister Jones in early November.

The region is starting to gain some momentum with a new SRO on board, Kathy Mansell, Deputy Chief Executive of LINZ.

We are seeing an increased number of proposals coming through from the Waikato region, with engagements planned with Tainui Group Holdings, Zealong Tea and the various councils across the region.

The region had four projects approved at the September SRO Meeting. These are briefly outlined below:

#### Waharoa Industrial Hub \$800,000

The PGF will support the development of a business case to maximise Waharoa's location advantage. Waharoa occupies a significant strategic location both in relation to the Matamata-Piako District, with the Waikato Region and the Upper North Island Along with other Waikato-based industry and logistics nodes (for example Ruakura, Tokoroa, Horotiu), Waharoa has significant potential to capture value from growing local industry, businesses looking to relocate and scale up from Auckland and new/emergent industries.

#### Te Aroha Tourism Precinct \$900,000

The PGF will support a business case that will cosition Te Aroha as a Health and Wellbeing destination. The project will look at how Te Aroha can leverage off the unique mineral properties from the hot soda water sourced from the base of Mt Te Aroha.

#### Kōpū Marine Precinct \$300,000

The PGF approved funding to investigate the opportunity to establish a Marine Precinct in Thames that will be part of an Aquaculture Package, alongside Coromandel Gateway and Sugarloaf Wharf

#### Coromandei Gateway \$93,850

The PGF is providing business case support for an all-tide Marine facility providing a Marine Cateway that will attract tourists and users into Coromandel town.

#### **Regional Activity**

On 4 October, the Prime Minister visited the region and announced the approved funding of \$1.7m for Te Aroha and the Waharoa Industrial Hub.

Contact: Mark Jacobs, Manager Regional Investment, Privacy of natural persons

## 3. Other Updates

#### 3.1 World Indigenous Business Forum

#### World Indigenous Business Forum – Rotorua, 9 to 11 October 2018

The World Indigenous Business Forum (WIBF) is an annual event that engages indigenous people in global economic discussions under four main sectors focussing on global indigenous economic issues: Community, Industry, Academic, and Government. Leaders in each of these sectors are sought by the forum to share their knowledge with delegates.

The 9th annual WIBF will be held from 9 to 11 October 2018 in Rotorua. This is the first time New Zealand will host the event. WIBF is supported by the Ministry of Business, innovation and Employment, Callaghan Innovation, Te Tatau o Te Arawa, Pukeroa Oruawhata Trust, Rotorua Lakes District Council, Tourism NZ, Destination Rotorua Marketing, and other supporting agencies.

Local and international speakers are leading discussions at the sessions on both days of the conference. Organisers are expecting up to 1000 participants this year.

Contact Hinemaua Rikirangi, Maori Economic Development, Privacy of natural persons

#### 3.1 Select Committee Appearance

#### PGF Appearance at the Economic Development Science and Innovation Committee

The Provincial Development Unit has been requested to report on the PGF to the Economic Development Science and Innovation Committee. This follows on from the initial hearing on 5 April 2018. The date has been tentatively scheduled for Thursday 25 October. We will let your office know once the date has been confirmed.

Contact AJ Millward, GM Strategy and Governance, Privacy of natural persons

## **Appendix 1 – Upcoming Meetings and Events**

Meeting / Event	Support
Monday, 8 October 2018	
Tuesday, 9 October 2018	
9.00am-11.00am World Indigenous Business Forum in Rotorua USEC	Briefing provided 3 October
Wednesday, 10 October 2018	
Thursday, 11 October 2018	3
Friday, 12 October 2018	

## **October**

- 16 Independent Advisory Panel meeting
- 18 DEV PGF Carinet paper
- 18 19 Economic Development NZ Conference
- 25 Senior Regional Officials meeting
- 26 Accelerate 25 Lead Team Meeting
- 31 RED budget bilateral

## **December**

6 - Independent Advisory Panel meeting

## **November**

- 5 RED Ministers meeting
- 16 Independent Advisory Panel meeting
- 22 Senior Regional Officials meeting
- 29 West Coast visit

# **Appendix 2 – Completed Briefings, Aides Memoire and Reports**

Tracker number	Title	Minister/ USEC	Signed out by	Date delivered
1163 18-19	Event briefing for the World Indigenous Business Forum 2018, 9 October	USEC	Hinemaua Rikirangi	3 October 2018
1266 18-19	Further information on EDAs	USEC	Isabel Poulson	5 October 2018

# **Appendix 3 – Upcoming Cabinet Papers, Briefings, Aides Memoire and Reports**

Tracker number	Title	Minister/ USEC	Signed out by	Due Date
1077 18-19	October baseline update: RED and Infrastructure portfolio	Minister Jones	Nigel Bickle	8 October 2018
TBC	Cabinet paper – PGF investment growth and development of the regions	Minister Jones	AJ Millward	8 October 2018
TBC	Event briefing and speech for the EDNZ Conference, 18 October	USEC	Isabel Poulson	9 October 2018
1155 18-19	Briefing for RED Ministers	Minister Jones	Robert Pigou	11 October 2018
1148 18-19	Event briefing for travel to Japan, 22-23 October	usec /	Isabel Poulson	11 October 2018
TBC	Information on 8Rivers project for meeting, 17 October	Minister Jones	Mark Jacobs	12 October 2018
TBC	Event briefing for the Annual PwC and NZVCA Partner Dinner in Queenstown, 17 October.	Minister Jones	Isabel Poulson	15 October 2018
TBC	Joint PDU and Treasury Report: Holding Company Establishment	Minister Jones	Isabel Poulson	15 October
I BC	Event briefing and speech for the EDNZ Conference, 19 October	Minister Jones	Isabel Poulson	17 October 2018

# **Appendix 4 – Official Information Act requests**

	Ministerial OIAs									
Tracking Number	Name	Date received	Date due to Minister's Office	Date due to requestor	Status	Request				
OIA142	Privacy of natural persons	17 Sep 2018	3 Oct 2018	10 Oct 2018	Minister's office	Update on establishing a holding company for the PGF delivered to the Minister on 8 August 2018				
OIA145		21 Sep 2018	4 Oct 2018	11 Oct 2018	Minister's office	I request a copy of the Regional Economic Development Weekly Report for the week ending 29 June.				
OIA128		29 Aug 2018	8 Oct 2018	15 Oct 2018	Drafting	1. 9 August Aide memoire: Delegated Regional Economic Development Ministers meeting, 13 August 2. 10 August Briefing: Agency comments on PGF proposals for RED Ministers Meeting on 13 August Where information is withheld, I request you provide the reason for refusal and the grounds in support of that reason as required by section 19(a)(i) and (ii) of the Act.				
OIA122		27 Aug 2018	10 Oct 2018	17 Oct 2018	Consultation	I request the following information: Any and all advice, written and verbal, received regarding funding decisions relating to the Waitangi National Trust since November 2017 Any and all advice, written and verbal, you have given to any government Minister or government Ministry regarding funding decisions relating to the Waitangi National Trust since November 2017 All correspondence relating to funding decisions regarding the Waitangi National Trust since November 2017				

	Ministerial OIAs								
Tracking Number	Name	Date received	Date due to Minister's Office	Date due to requestor	Status	Request			
OIA130		31 Aug 2018	11 Oct 2018	18 Oct 2018	Drafting	1.6 August Briefing: Protecting the term Manuka honey: intellectual property issues 2. 8 August Briefing: Visit to Waikato, 10 August 2018 3. 18 July Update on Taranaki Just Transitions Workshop and Next Steps 4. 31 July Bay of Connections Forum, 3 August 2018 Where information is withheld, I request you provide the reason for refusal and the grounds in support of that reason as required by section 19(a)(i) and (ii) of the Act.			
OIA146		25 Sep 2018	12 Oct 2018	19 Oct 2018	Consultation	I request the following information: All Briefings and Aide Memoires prepared for the Minister and his Office regarding Marae connectivity			
OIA124		31 Aug 2018	15 Oct 2018	22 Oct 2018	Consultation	I request a copy of the following documents: 1. 6 August Briefing: Update on Irrigation Acceleration Fund appropriation 2. 6 August Briefing: PGF proposals for review 3. 6 August Briefing: Provincial Growth Fund approval for package of three land restoration projects under One Billion Trees programme In addition, I also request the agenda, minutes and associated papers prepared for the following meetings: 4. 19 July Meeting with Dunedin Mayor Dave Cull 5. 8 August MBIE weekly officials meeting			
OIA127		28 Aug 2018	16 Oct 2018	23 Oct 2018	Consultation	I request a copy of the following document: 1. 15 August Progress update on PGF proposal as at 14 August 2018 I also request the agenda, minutes and associated papers prepared for the following meetings: 2. 13 August RED delegated Ministers meeting 3. 15 August MBIE weekly officials meeting			

	Ministerial OIAs								
Tracking Number	Name	Date received	Date due to Minister's Office	Date due to requestor	Status	Request			
OIA149	Privacy of natural persons	26 Sep 2018	17 Oct 2018	24 Oct 2018	Scoping	request a copy of the following documents: 1. Briefing: Climate Change Ministers Meeting 5 September 2018, 4 September 2018 2. Briefing: External Permanent and Long-Term Migration July 2018, 4 September 2018 3. Briefing: Tairāwhiti Provincial Growth Fund Announcements 7 September 2018, 5 September 2018			
OIA144		21 Sep 2018	18 Oct 2018	25 Oct 2018	Consultation	I request a copy of the following document: PGF proposals for review, 29 August 2018.			
OIA151		1 Oct 2018	25 Oct 2018	1 Nov 2018	Collating documentation	I request a copy of the following documents: Any reports, briefings, related correspondence and communications regarding the Far East Saw Mill in Tairāwhiti			
OIA152		1 Oct 2018	25 Oct 2018	1 Nov 2018	Scoping	I request a copy of the following documents: 1. Briefing: Meeting on matters relating to Economic Development Agencies, 11 September 2018 2. Briefing: Tourism Infrastructure Fund review proposed changes, 12 September 2018			
OIA153		1 Oct 2018	29 Oct 2018	5 Nov 2018	Scoping	I request a copy of the following documents: 1. Briefing: Progress report on the Regional Business Partner Business Programme, 10 September 2018 2. Briefing: Maori Battalion Museum Progress and next steps, 11 September 2018			

	Departmental OIAs								
Tracking Number	Name	Date received	Date due to Minister's Office	Date due to requestor	Status	Request			
1819-0411	Privacy of natural persons	12 Sep 2018	N/A	10 Oct 2018	Consultation	We are interested in receiving a copy of the 'Make Way For Taranaki' project purposed budget			
1819-0335		31 Aug 2018	N/A	12 Oct 18	Consulting with Minister's office	Copy of Charitable Status for EDAs report			
1819-0464		22 Sep 2018	N/A	19 Oct 2018	Collating documentation	Please provide all records the Ministry has on the Regional Development Funding application for the upgrade of the Russell Wharf			
1819-0481		24 Sep 2018	N/A	23 Oct 2018	Consultation	Information between MLBT, DOC, MBIE, Regional Economic Development Minister Shane Jones, Minister of Tourism Kelvin Davis, etc. Information available between 15 to 25 September that applies to the above request is sought			
1819-0469		24 Sep 2018	15 Oct 2018	23 Oct 2018	Collating documentation	I request a copy of the following information, applicable to all projects announced from 27 August 2018 to the date this request is received. 1. A copy of the funding applications, business cases and funding agreements for each of the projects announced as recipients of funding under the Provincial Growth Fund. 2. A copy of all advice the Provincial Development Unit has provided to the Independent Advisory Panel on Provincial Growth Fund recipients. 3. A copy of all advice the Provincial Development Unit has provided to the Minister for Regional Economic Development on Provincial Growth Fund recipients			

	Departmental OIAs								
Tracking Number	Name	Date received	Date due to Minister's Office	Date due to requestor	Status	Request			
1819-0488	Privacy of natural persons	26 Sep 2018	17 Oct 2018	25 Oct 2018	Collating documentation	request a copy of all material the Independent Advisory Panel of the Provincial Growth Fund has produced, including all meeting meetings, agendas, advice and notes prepared from the establishment of the IAP to the date this request is received			
1819-0485		26 Sep 2018	17 Oct 2018	25 Oct 2018	Collating documentation	I request a complete list of all projects that have been announced as Provincial Growth Fund recipients as at 26 September 2018			
1819-0275		23 Aug 2018	1 Nov 2018	8 Nov 2018	Collating documentation	I request the following information: Any and all advice, written and verbal, received regarding funding decisions relating to the Waitangi National Trust			
1819-0296		27 Aug 2018	9 Nov 2018	16 Nov 2018	Collating documentation	I request a copy of the following information, applicable to all projects announced from 28 June 2018 to the date this request is received. 1. A copy of the funding applications, business cases and funding agreements for each of the projects announced as recipients of funding under the Provincial Growth Fund. 2. A copy of all advice the Provincial Development Unit has provided to the Independent Advisory Panel on Provincial Growth Fund recipients. 3. A copy of all advice the Provincial Development Unit has provided to the Minister for Regional Economic Development on Provincial Growth Fund recipients			

## **Appendix 5 – Ministerial correspondence**

Ministerial Correspondence											
Tracking Number	Name	Date received	Due to Minister's Office	Subject							
SJ1607	Privacy of natural persons	11 Sep 2018	8 Oct 2018	Development West Coast Trust							
SJ1680		1 Oct 2018	12 Oct 2018	Tairāwhiti Economic Action Plan Steering Group future priorities							
SJ1668		28 Sep 2018	19 Oct 2018	Coromandel Adult and Community Education Services							

# **Appendix 5 – Parliamentary Questions**

Parliamentary Questions									
Tracking Number	From	Date received	Due to Minister's Office	Question					
PQ 24083	Hon Paul Goldsmith	28 Sep 2018	4 Oct 2018	x91 questions					
PQ 24494	Hon Paul Goldsmith	1 Oct 2018	5 Oct 2018	What papers, if any, did the Minister take to Cabinet between 24 September 2018 and 30 September 2018 (both dates inclusive) by title and date?					
PQ 24490	Hon Paul Goldsmith	1 Oct 2018	5 Oct 2018	What reports, briefings, memos or aides memoire did the Minister receive between 24 September 2018 and 30 September 2018 (both dates inclusive) by title and date?					
PQ 24694	Andrew Falloon	3 Oct 2018	9 Oct 2018	What is the value of funds requested from Canterbury from the Provincial Growth Fund?					
PQ 24695	Andrew Falloon	3 Oct 2018	9 Oct 2018	What is the value of funds requested from South Canterbury from the Provincial Growth Fund?					
PQ 24696	Andrew Falloon	3 Oct 2018	9 Oct 2018	What is the value of funds requested from Mid Canterbury from the Provincial Growth Fund?					
PQ 24697	Andrew Fallcon	3 Oct 2018	9 Oct 2018	How many applications have been made from Canterbury for funds from the Provincial Growth Fund?					
PQ 24698	Andrew Falloon	3 Oct 2018	9 Oct 2018	How many applications have been made from South Canterbury for funds from the Provincial Growth Fund?					
PQ 24699	Andrew Falloon	3 Oct 2018	9 Oct 2018	How many applications have been made from Mid Canterbury for funds from the Provincial Growth Fund?					

# **Appendix 6 – Documents for proactive release**

Documents for Proactive Release								
Tracking Number	Name	Due to Minister & Office	Due for release	Status				
DOIA 1718- 1884	Partial release which includes the following information:  Briefing - 3286 17-18 Northland Announcements 1 June 2018  NZTA Twin Coast Discovery Route application  The Howard League Driver License Initiative application  2037 17-18 Recommendations for funding from the Regional Growth Initiative Fund and Provincial Growth Fund – 9 February 2018  Taranaki Business Cases  Gisborne Tourism Product Development and Punakaiki Master Plan		27 September 2018/ongoing	Partial release – full release ongoing				