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Green Party of Aotearoa New Zealand By email: @parliament.govt.nz

Tēnā koe

Request for information 2025-138

I refer to your request for information dated 28 April 2025, which was received by Greater Wellington Regional Council (Greater Wellington) on 28 April 2025. You have requested the following:

"The volume of water taken from all consents annually, broken down into the purpose of the water take. Can you please also include the total volume of water used on golf courses and the total volume used on irrigation."

Greater Wellington's response follows:

Below is a table showing the volume of water allocated to various use types for water take consents in the Wellington region:

Use/purpose	Volume allocation (m ³)
Irrigation – excluding golf courses	109,417,452
Irrigation – golf courses only	957,829
Drinking water	209,437,140
Stock water	33,906,355
Industrial & frost protection	2,372,460
Other	6,163,625

The above information is based on water take consents (504 consents in total) where water is allocated as a consumptive or core allocation. It does not include any water take consents which are non-consumptive or not part of our core allocation as defined in our Natural

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If you have any concerns with the decision(s) referred to in this letter, you have the right to request an investigation and review by the Ombudsman under section 27(3) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

Please note that it is our policy to proactively release our responses to official information requests where appropriate. Our response to your request will be published shortly on Greater Wellington's website with your personal information removed.

Nāku iti noa, nā

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