

Policy:	Trade Waste
Department:	Assets
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1. Purpose

- 1.1 To provide a framework that enables a fair and consistent approach to the receiving and management of trade waste in the district.
- 1.2 To clarify circumstances under which the Council will receive trade waste from its producers/transporters to, in particular, ensure compliance with Resource Consent Conditions and meet its obligations under the relevant legislation and environmental compliance requirements.

2. Scope

- 2.1 This Trade Waste Policy ('this policy') applies to all trade waste collection within the Stratford District Council (the Council).
- 2.2 This policy is to be read in conjunction with the Council's Trade Waste Bylaw 2020, Wastewater Bylaw 2020 and subsequent amendments.
- 2.3 For the purpose of this policy, trade waste means:

Any liquid, with or without matter in suspension or solution, including septic waste, that is or may be discharged from trade premises to the Council's wastewater system in the course of any trade or industrial process or operation, or in the course of any activity or operation of a like nature, and may include condensing water or cooling water, or stormwater which cannot be practicably separated from the wastewater.

3. Objectives

- 3.1 To protect the environment by ensuring compliance with environmental standards and avoiding system failures;
- 3.2 To protect the health and safety of all persons within the Stratford District Council, including Council staff, contractors and the public through undue exposure;
- 3.3 To protect the sewerage infrastructure to ensure continued service delivery at the agreed levels;
- 3.4 To protect treatment processes by ensuring that their ability to treat wastewater streams is not unacceptably impacted;
- 3.5 To ensure fairness and equitable cost recovery from conveying, treating and disposing of trade waste through the Council's sewerage infrastructure;
- 3.6 To protect the ratepayers connected to Council's sewerage system from carrying the burden of trade waste generated outside the district.

4. Method

- 4.1 To achieve the purpose of this trade waste policy, Council will:
- a. Communicate the Council's trade waste management system and its requirements to producers/transporters;
 - b. Apply a risk-based approach to trade waste management, including implementation of a consistent and equitable third-party compliance framework;
 - c. Incorporate best trade waste management practices as set out in relevant guidelines and standards; and
 - d. Develop cost effective approach to pricing and charging for fairness and consistency.

5. Receiving of Trade Waste

- 5.1 Council will only receive trade wastes generated within the district (see attached district maps).
- 5.2 No trade waste generated from outside of the district may be discharged into Council's sewerage system at any time unless specific approval is given in a consent.
- 5.3 The receiving of trade waste into Council's sewerage system shall be subject to prior approval process, as per Council's Trade Waste Bylaw, and provided that:
- a. The waste does not contain a prohibited substance;
 - b. The waste does not contain substances in amounts that are or may be toxic, hazardous or damaging to the environment, sewerage infrastructure, treatment processes or personnel;
 - c. Where necessary and practicable, the trade waste has been pre-treated on-site using 'best practicable treatment' to ensure compliance with the approval requirements; and
 - d. The system is of adequate capacity to effectively collect, transport and treat trade waste.
- 5.4 The producers/transporters of trade waste will be required to declare, prior to discharging into the Council's sewerage system, the origin/source and constituents of the trade waste, including location within the district. Other information to be provided include:
- a. Name of Company;
 - b. Name of Operator/ Driver;
 - c. Physical Address and telephone contact number of Origin/source Owner;
 - d. Volume of Trade waste;
 - e. Time of collection from origin/source;
 - f. Time of discharge into Council's sewerage system;
 - g. Any other relevant information.

6. Audit

- 6.1 Periodic audits will be carried out by the Council and its authorised Agents to ensure compliance with the Trade Waste Policy.

7. Suspension and Reinstatement of Service

- 7.1 Repeated non-compliance with the Trade Waste Bylaw, or consent conditions, will be managed by way of promoting voluntary compliance with the operator followed by formal notification of a potential suspension from using the service.
- 7.2 Following a suspension period, the Council may reinstate the service, following appropriate communication with the producers/transporters and upon being satisfied that there will be no further reoccurrence of the non-compliance.

8. Dispute Resolution

- 8.1 In the event of a dispute over any aspect of this policy, immediate action will be taken by the Services Manager through effective and constructive consultation between the parties concerned and in accordance with any Council complaints or dispute resolution policies.
- 8.2 If a resolution cannot be reached, the Director of Assets will have final say on the matter.

9. Exceptions

- 9.1 Exceptions to this policy will be subject to a pre-approval process.
- 9.2 Approval must be obtained from the Director, Assets for any exception to this policy.

10. Review

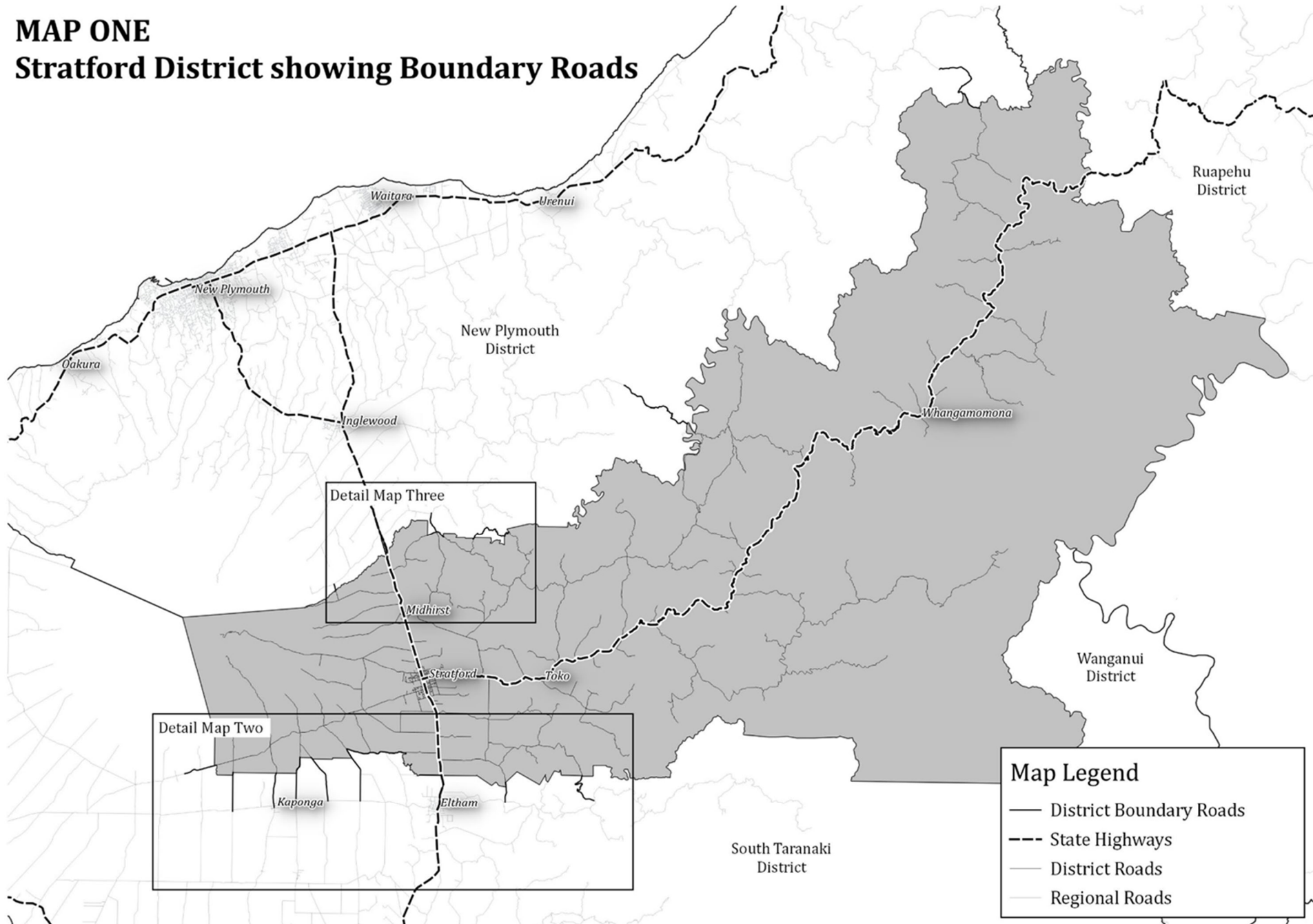
- 10.1 This policy is to be reviewed:
 - a. In 2025/2026; or
 - b. Where there is a change in resource consent conditions; or
 - c. As /when required

11. Appendices

- 11.1 District Maps

MAP ONE

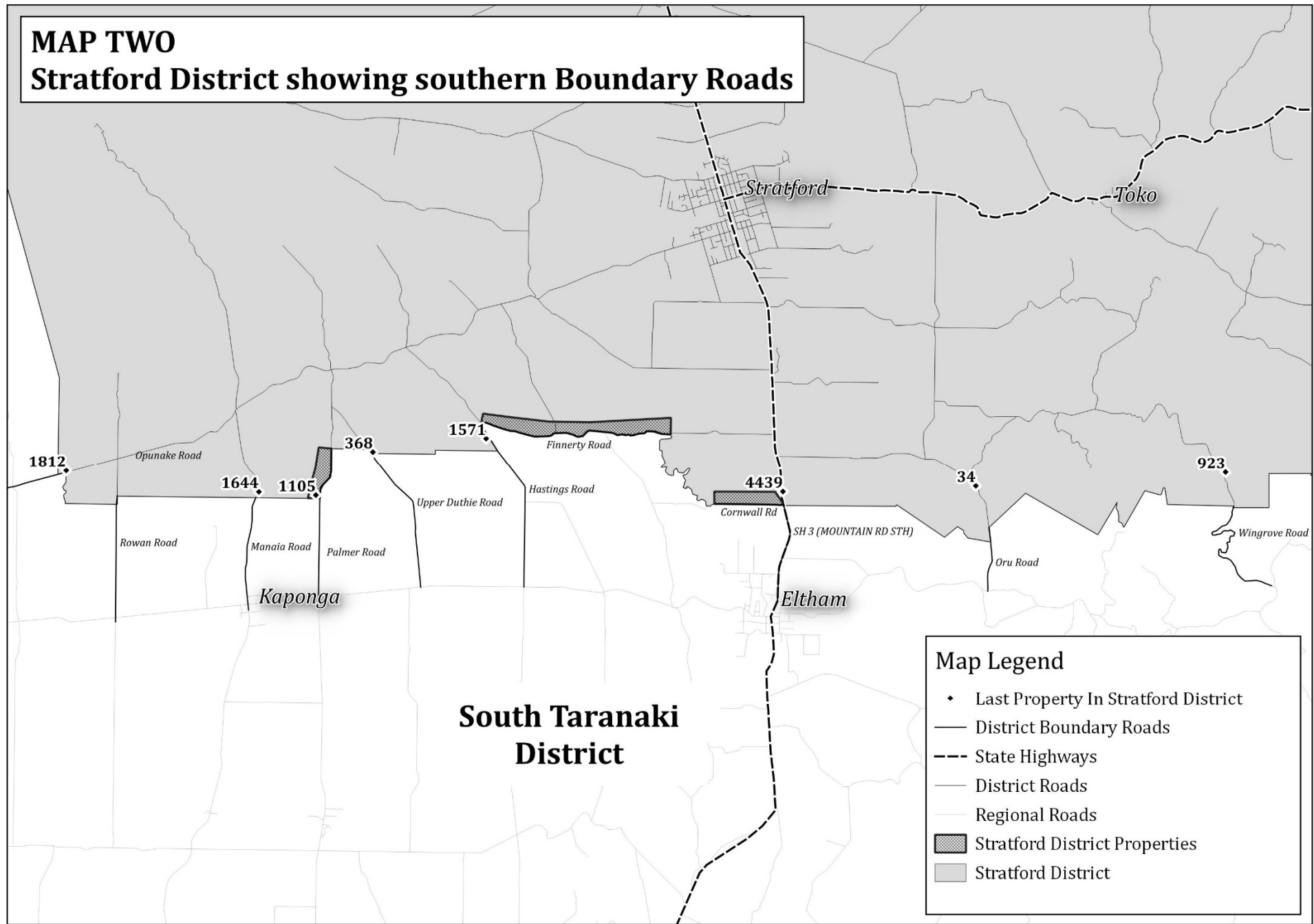
Stratford District showing Boundary Roads



Map Legend

- District Boundary Roads
- - - State Highways
- District Roads
- - - Regional Roads

MAP TWO
Stratford District showing southern Boundary Roads



Map Legend

- ◆ Last Property In Stratford District
- District Boundary Roads
- - - State Highways
- District Roads
- Regional Roads
- ▨ Stratford District Properties
- ▭ Stratford District

South Taranaki District

MAP THREE

Stratford District showing Northern Boundary Roads

