



## **PUBLIC NOTICE**

Northland Regional Council (NRC) is publicly notifying its intent to aerially apply aquatic herbicide Aquathol K (active ingredient endothall) to two Far North lakes and two lakes on the Poutō Peninsula to control the pest plant hornwort (*Ceratophyllum demersum*). The Far North lakes are on private land at Mt Camel. Of the Poutō Peninsula lakes, Lake Karaka is on private land and Lake Tutaki is on public conservation land. Aquathol K is a selective herbicide that only affects the target plant species listed above, breaks down into natural elements and doesn't affect other native plants, fish or invertebrates.

The application is scheduled to take place between 17 and 21 October 2022 with backup dates of 26-28 October or 14-18 November 2022. The application will likely take place early in the morning and is weather dependent.

Contact with the lake water (including swimming) will be banned for 24 hours after the completion of the operation. Fishing will be banned for 72 hours and there will be a restriction on water-takes for 10 days. Affected landowners have been contacted and signs will be up at lakes.

For more information, please contact Northland Regional Council on 0800 002 004. For 24hour emergency contact, please phone 0800 504 639.