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Request for Official Information responded to under the Local Government and Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA) – reference: 7481774

I refer to your information request we received on 3 September 2020. Council response regarding your request is below each of ***your questions in bold***.

I read in a Stuff article today that your sludge is sent to a Wellington landfill.

Can you please tell me where that sludge goes?

The sludge is dried at our Wastewater Treatment Plant in Paraparaumu and transported to Silverstream landfill in Lower Hutt. The drying process turns it into a material similar to sand.

And how it is transported?

It is transported by truck in a skip bin.

We have a lot of large trucks coming through the Wellington CBD, and I have often wondered what they are carrying. Could it be your wastewater sludge?

The trucks from Kāpiti do not go near the Wellington city business district. Their route is from Paraparaumu, south on State Highway 1 to Plimmerton, east on SH58 (via Grays Road and Haywards Hill) to SH2 in the Hutt Valley and then north-east to Silverstream.

Yours sincerely



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