



Chapter 20 – All Terrain Park

Factsheet

Overview

The Western Bay of Plenty District Council and Tauranga City Council have established an “All Terrain Rural Active Park”. This is a community facility that will cater for a wide range of outdoor activities and other complementary facilities that will benefit from access to large land areas with appropriate separation from other activities that may be sensitive to adverse effects generated by some activities in the Park.

Current Rules

The activities in the park are currently subject to the Rural Zone rules and resource consent.

Changes proposed as a result of the District Plan review

The Park will establish facilities and opportunities for recreational activities that have found existing sites to be in conflict with residential expansion, or activities for which suitable sites have been difficult to find. The zoning provides for a comprehensive outdoor adventure facility for a variety of activities in a managed way. The park is to be opened up over the next 5-20 years to cater for active and passive recreational pursuits including firearm sports, mountain biking, archery, 4x4, trial and trail bikes, motocross, quad bikes, car rallying, equestrian, tramping and orienteering. It also provides for related educational opportunities. The Park is designed for use by organised clubs but also provides for general public use and ancillary commercial activities consistent with the Park activities. The commercial forest activities will continue to operate on the site but over time will be supplanted by recreational-based activities.

The actual development of the Park will be a gradual process and it is likely to take up to 30 years for the Park to be fully established. The Park’s development will be guided by a development plan that ensures an integrated management approach to the use of the Park. Activities in the Park will be required to have an approved management plan.