



Weiti WildLink pollution prevention

The Weiti (Wade) River flows through Silverdale into the Hauraki Gulf. The Hibiscus and Bays Local Board is working with community groups and businesses on the Weiti WildLink project which aims to improve the water quality and habitat of the Weiti.

The Weiti estuary is an important breeding ground for fish and shellfish, as well as providing nesting and feeding areas for birds. It is used by people for boating, fishing and kayaking.

Unfortunately there have been more than 60 recorded pollution incidents in the Silverdale/Weiti River area over the past several years. These include spills in yards that result in contaminants being washed by rain into stormwater drains contributing to pollution of the river and sea.

As a local business in the catchment of the Weiti River you have an opportunity to help protect and improve the quality of the local environment.

What you can do to help

- Ensure areas of your site that flow to stormwater drains are kept free of contaminants and that you have a plan in the event of a spill. Take advantage of free independent pollution prevention advice provided by Wilkinson Environmental Ltd and put in place recommended ways to avoid pollution.
- Take part in tree planting along the river banks this winter. Contact Debbie Madden at Conservation Volunteers on 0800 56 76 86 or email info@conservationvolunteers.co.nz.
- Find out more about the Weiti WildLink Project and other ways you can help – google “Weiti Wildlink”

Your efforts, together with the rest of our local community, will help to improve the Weiti River and protect our beaches and our fishing resources.



Call the Pollution Hotline on (09) 377 3107 to report pollution incidents 24 hours a day 7 days a week

The Hibiscus and Bays Local Board are funding this project as part of the Weiti Wildlink Project to enhance the Weiti River environment. The Board has contracted Wilkinson Environmental Ltd to deliver this pollution prevention programme.



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Weiti River Catchment