Invercargill
CITY COUNCIL

Wednesday, February 12, 2014

FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

ATTENTION: CHIEF REPORTERS
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Public meeting being held to update Kennington residents

The Invercargill City Council is holding a public meeting tonight (Wednesday, February 12) at 7pm to update Kennington residents about noise level concerns from the Niagara Sawmilling plant. Findings of the sanitary survey undertaken from mid October – December 2013 for the sewage disposal systems in the area will also be discussed.

The sanitary survey results show that many on-site effluent disposal systems in the Kennington area have failed and three options for resolving these will be provided.

Invercargill City Council Environmental Planning Services Director Pamela Gare said Council had employed noise consultant company, Marshall Day Acoustics, to work alongside the consultant employed by the Niagara Sawmilling Company Ltd to develop a noise management plan to address noise level concerns at Kennington from the Niagara Sawmilling plant.

“At this meeting we will update residents on how development of the plan is progressing,” Ms Gare said.

Ms Gare said the objective short term was for night time noise emissions from the plant to be substantially reduced and in the longer term to comply with the District Plan noise rules within an acceptable timeframe, to be established by the acoustic engineers and agreed by Council.

The meeting will be held at the Kennington Public Hall, 21 Rimu Road.

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