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# MATAURA PLANT

REGIONAL FORUM

10 MAY 2019

# OVERVIEW



- Alliance is a co-operative owned and supplied by shareholder farmers
  - Mataura Plant was established in the 1890's
  - Vital component of Southlands agricultural sector and local and regional economy
  - Employs approximately 500 people at the peak of the season
  - Contributes \$160 million per year to the economy in livestock, goods and services
  - \$22 million in wages & salaries per year
  - Processes approximately 140,000 cattle per year
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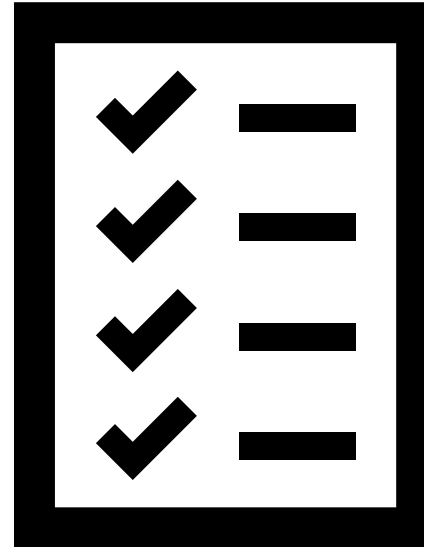
# THE PLANT AND MATAURA RIVER



- The plant is reliant on the Mataura River
  - Alliance holds consents from Environment Southland to:
    - Take and use water from the Mataura River
    - Discharge (treated) wastewater
    - Discharge cooling water to the Mataura River
    - Dam, divert and discharge water for the hydro scheme
  - Significant improvements in wastewater quality over the last 15 years, which has greatly improved the river below the discharge
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# RECONSENTING

- Major consents expire late 2019
- Significant investigations undertaken
- Catchment wide issues identified
- Long term consent application (early June 2019)
- Staged improvements
  - Improve resilience & reduce water use
  - E. coli reductions
  - Nitrogen reductions





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