

## **PIG HUNTING PERMITS FOR THE SILVERSTREAM CATCHMENT**

The Dunedin City Council's 3 Waters department have rationalised the system for issuing pig hunting permits for the City's Silverstream catchment.

### ***Our objectives are:***

1. To reduce damage to the catchment caused by wild pigs.
2. To promote safe recreational hunting (as a means of achieving this objective).

### ***Problems encountered in the past are:***

1. Trespass by hunters onto adjoining private property.
2. Damage to water catchment facilities.
3. Safety of all recreational users of the catchment.
4. Lack of information on level of wild pig population, numbers of pigs killed each season, and time spent by hunters in the catchment.

## **PERMIT SYSTEM**

1. The pig hunting season will run from 1 November to 31 October each year.
2. Permits and permit cards will be issued to all approved applicants prior to the beginning of each session.
3. Permits will not be transferable but a permit holder will be permitted to take one 'guest' hunter with him into the catchment on the basis that the permit holder will be responsible for the behaviour of the guest and guest's dogs.
4. Permits will not be issued to those persons who are known to have infringed the Firearms Regulations or the conditions of their hunting permits in the previous year.
5. The Permit Holder shall carry his hunting permit card in his pack when pig hunting in the catchment.
6. Any permit holder shall produce his permit card when requested by a member of the Council's staff or by another permit holder when found in the pig hunting area.
7. Persons found hunting pigs in the City's Silverstream catchment without a permit may be liable for prosecution under the City Bylaws and/or the Trespass Act.
8. A condition of granting a permit will be the submission with each application of a hunting tally for the previous season (this information will be confidential, but will be used to compile data on the total numbers of pigs killed, largest pigs killed, etc for each season).

## **VEHICLE DETAILS**

The details of vehicles used for transport of hunting parties to the catchment entry points are required to facilitate identification of persons holding hunting permits by Dunedin City Council 3 Waters staff.

## **MISBEHAVIOUR**

Complaints of misbehaviour by persons holding hunting permits, or others, will be investigated upon receipt of any relevant information. Disciplinary action may include cancellation of hunting permit and/or prosecution as above.

## **GENERAL CONDITIONS OF PERMIT**

Each pig hunting permit will include the following conditions:

1. No fires shall be lit in the catchment area.
2. All carcasses of killed pigs shall be dragged clear of any watercourse or gully.
3. All care shall be taken to prevent vegetation damage or pollution of the City's water supply.
4. The permit holder shall observe any special instructions given by a member of the Dunedin City Council 3 Waters staff.
5. The right to hunt is subject to revocation at any time.
6. Only one firearm shall be carried by each hunting party.
7. No vehicles shall be taken into the catchment.

## **HUNTING AREA**

The area for which pig hunting permits shall be valid is the Silverstream Valley, within the Powder Hill, Pulpit Rock – High Top – Swampy Summit – Flagstaff Hill watershed. It does not include the Dunedin City Council forests on the western slopes of Flagstaff Hill.

A map showing the boundaries of the pig hunting area (ie the Silverstream catchment) may be inspected at the Dunedin City Council 3 Waters, 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, Civic Centre, Dunedin. A copy is attached to this letter.

Entry points to the hunting area are:

- a) Powder Creek Road (Silverstream Pumping Station);
- b) Swampy Summit Road (at locked gate); and
- c) Flagstaff – Whare Flat Road (the "Bull Ring") (vehicles shall not be taken past the locked gates).

The Ross Creek and Waitati – Leith Catchments, on the eastern slopes of Flagstaff and Swampy Summit are not included in the pig hunting area. Hunters of proven competence will however be invited to hunt nominated areas of these catchment from time to time.

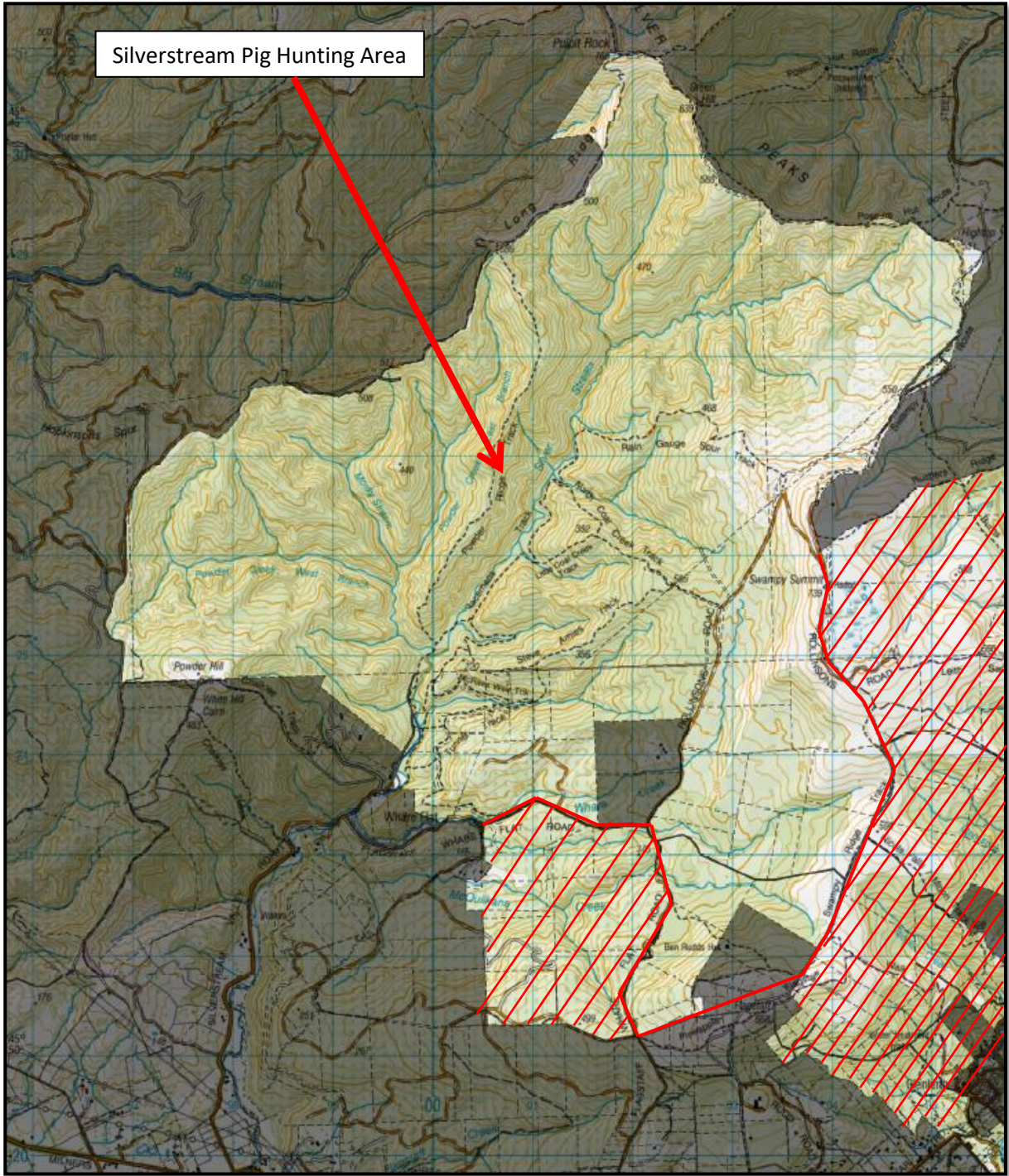
## **APPLICATION**

The attached application form should be completed and returned to the Dunedin City Council's Water and Waste Services Business Unit, PO Box 5045, Moray Place, Dunedin 9058. Please include a photocopy of your firearms license.

Yours faithfully



Mike Perkins  
**Network and Catchment Manager**



Silverstream Pig Hunting Area



No hunting in this area

# PIG HUNTING PERMIT FOR SILVERSTREAM CATCHMENT APPLICATION FORM

**Season:** **2018/2019**

**Full Name:** .....

**Address:** .....

**Phone:** ..... **Firearms Licence Number:** .....

**Vehicle Details**

**Make:** ..... **Model:** .....

**Year:** ..... **Colour(s):** .....

**Registration:** .....

**Dogs**

Trained Dogs			Dogs in Training		
Breed	Colour	Registration	Breed	Colour	Registration
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Please include a photocopy of your firearms license when returning the completed form.

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**Signature**

**Hunting Tally for Previous Season (*Silverstream Catchment Only*)**

Number of pigs killed .....

Number of pigs found but not killed .....

Estimated weight of largest pig killed .....(kg)

Number of days hunting during season .....

**Comments (*eg number of other hunting parties, scarcity of pigs, etc*)**

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