Re-allocation at consent expiry

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Re-allocation options at consent expiry

Option	Feasibility
First-in-first-serve	X
Grandparenting	✓
Priority allocation systems	✓
Market mechanisms	X





What the RMA says about existing infrastructure

When considering an application [for renewal of resource consent] ... a consent authority must have regard to the value of the investment of the existing consent holder (RMA s104 (2A))





Efficient use

E.g. PNRP includes an efficiency test of irrigation application efficiency of 80% in demand conditions that occur in nine out of ten years





Claw back options

- Transition over time
- Cut back everyone proportionally (equal "pain")
- More efficient use
- Give up water voluntarily



