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NZ Manuka Group has opened a Pterocladia seaweed processing factory in Masterton.

Seaweed the new cash cow of the sea shore

They say money doesn't grow on trees but it is virtually washing up on our beaches around Wairarapa.

With a global shortage of high quality Agar now making headlines worldwide, a newly built factory in Masterton is reaching out to the local community to collect Pterocladia seaweed to help meet customer demand.

Found washed up on rocks and beaches along the east coast of New Zealand, the distinct red Pterocladia seaweed is the raw material which, when processed and dried, forms Agar.

With worldwide demand far exceeding supply, the brand new processing plant in Masterton is calling out for people to help collect this prized natural resource before it gets washed back out to sea.

New Zealand Manuka Group technical adviser Kath Coopey says

the new Masterton business is an exciting development.

"In Masterton we have a completely new business which started as an empty warehouse space but now has conveyors and teams of people sorting, drying and processing Pterocladia," she said.

New Zealand Manuka Group officially opened the Masterton facility earlier this year which will operate as a branch to their recently upgraded factory in Opoiki.

The investment in pharmaceutical grade facilities and modern production systems, positions the seaweeds business as a world-class processor and innovator of Agar products.

Company founder, Phil Caskey says the business is continuing to invest in new technologies, intellectual property and processing methods to add value to this natural resource.

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Draft Waiohine River Management Plan



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We want to hear what you think about the proposals.

Full and summary copies, as well as feedback forms, are available from council offices, Greytown Public Library or online at: www.gw.govt.nz/waiohineriver/.

Come and talk to members of the GWRC Flood Protection team in the Greytown Public Library from 2:00pm - 7:30pm on:

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WorkSafe aims to debunk farm myths

A new information resource for farmers aims to debunk many of the myths around visitors and hosting events on farms.

Farmers' legal are set out clearly in a new factsheet from WorkSafe New Zealand. Under the new Health and Safety at Work Act 2015, farmers must ensure that work areas on the farm are safe and don't pose a risk to anyone's health and safety.

They must also ensure that farm buildings and immediate surrounding areas are safe for everyone, including visitors.

WorkSafe agriculture programme manager Al McCone said one of the most common misconceptions or myths that had sprung up around the new law was that farmers were liable for anyone who had an accident on their farm.

"That isn't the case," he said. "Farmers are not responsible for the safety of people crossing a farm in non-work areas and away from farm buildings."

"However, they must ensure that work carried out as part of the business, at any location on the farm, doesn't put anyone at risk. The farmer needs to reasonably manage risks for visitors, like posting a sign



When they host events, farmers are not responsible for the safety of people crossing a farm in non-work areas and away from farm buildings, WorkSafe says.

clearly identifying spraying areas, and by spraying on a calm day, so spray doesn't drift."

The factsheet also covers the farmers' duties towards health and safety if they are hosting an event on their farm, whether they are organising that event or not. It also provides examples of situations that might

commonly arise around visitors to farms and what the duties and responsibilities would be for the farmer and for any organisers, visitors or event participants.

You can find the resource at: <http://saferfarms.org.nz/assets/resources/WSNZ-2239-Visitors-and-Events-on-Farms-FS-v5-0.pdf>

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