

Proposed Natural Resources Plan:

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## Proposed Natural Resources Plan for the Wellington Region

Pursuant to Clause 5 of the First Schedule of the Resource Management Act 1991, Wellington Regional Council gives public notice that it has prepared a Proposed Natural Resources Plan for the Wellington Region.

The purpose of the Proposed Natural Resources Plan for the Wellington Region is to identify outcomes for the management of natural and physical resources and to put in place processes and methods (including rules) to achieve the purpose of the Resource Management Act 1991. The Proposed Natural Resources Plan for the Wellington Region is a combined Regional and Coastal Plan and once operative will replace the existing Regional Plans (Regional Coastal Plan, Regional Air Quality Management Plan, Regional Freshwater Plan, Regional Plan for Discharges to Land and Regional Soil Plan).

All rules within the Proposed Natural Resources Plan for the Wellington Region have immediate legal effect.

A copy of the Proposed Natural Resources Plan for the Wellington Region and the Section 32 Reports are available for public inspection during normal working hours at:

- The offices of the Wellington Regional Council at:
  - Shed 39, 2 Fryatt Quay, Pipitea, Wellington 6011
  - 34 Chapel Street, Masterton 5810
- The head offices of the District/City Councils in the Wellington Region
- All public libraries in the Wellington Region
- The Wellington Regional Council website <http://www.gw.govt.nz/Regional-plan-review/>

A copy of the Proposed Natural Resources Plan for the Wellington Region and the Section 32 Reports can be downloaded from the Wellington Regional Council website or a USB can be obtained free of charge by contacting the Hearings Officer on 04 384 5708 / 0800 496 734 or by emailing [Regionalplan@gw.govt.nz](mailto:Regionalplan@gw.govt.nz). Paper copies of the Proposed Natural Resources Plan for the Wellington Region and the Section 32 Reports are available for purchase from the offices of the Wellington Regional Council at the above addresses.

Please contact the Hearings Officer on 04 384 5708 / 0800 496 734 or [Regionalplan@gw.govt.nz](mailto:Regionalplan@gw.govt.nz) if you have any questions about the Proposed Natural Resources Plan for the Wellington Region.

### SUBMISSIONS

The following persons can make a submission on the Proposed Natural Resources Plan for the Wellington Region:

- The local authority in its own area may make a submission; and
- Any other person may make a submission, but if the person could gain an advantage in trade competition through the submission, then the person may do so only if the person is directly affected by an effect of the proposal that -
  - adversely affects the environment; and
  - does not relate to trade competition or the effects of trade competition.

You may make a submission by sending a written or electronic

submission to the Wellington Regional Council at:  
Email submissions to: [Regionalplan@gw.govt.nz](mailto:Regionalplan@gw.govt.nz) or post to:  
Freeport 3156  
The Proposed Natural Resources Plan  
The Wellington Regional Council  
PO Box 11646, Manners St  
Wellington 6142

The submission must be on the official form 5 and must state whether or not you wish to be heard on your submission. Copies of this form are available from:

- Offices of the Wellington Regional Council
- The Wellington Regional Council website <http://www.gw.govt.nz/Regional-plan-review/>
- Calling 0800 496 734 or by emailing [Regionalplan@gw.govt.nz](mailto:Regionalplan@gw.govt.nz).

THE CLOSING DATE FOR SUBMISSIONS IS 5PM FRIDAY 25 SEPTEMBER

The process for public participation in consideration of the Proposed Natural Resources Plan for the Wellington Region is as follows:

- After the closing of submissions, the Wellington Regional Council must prepare a summary of decisions requested by submitters and give public notice of the availability of this summary and where the summary of submissions can be inspected; and
- There must be an opportunity for the following persons to make a further submission in support of, or in opposition to, the submissions already made:
  - Any person representing a relevant aspect of the public interest;
  - Any person who has an interest in the proposal greater than the general public has;
  - The local authority itself; and
- If a person making a submission asks to be heard in support of his or her submission, a hearing must be held; and
- The Wellington Regional Council must give its decision on the provisions and matters raised in the submissions (including its reasons for accepting or rejecting submissions) and give public notice of that decision within 2 years of notifying the Proposed Natural Resources Plan for the Wellington Region and serve it on every person who made a submission at the same time; and
- Any person who has made a submission has the right to appeal against the decision on the Proposed Natural Resources Plan for the Wellington Region to the Environment Court if:
  - In relation to a provision or matter that is the subject of the appeal, the person referred to the provision or matter in the person's submission on the proposal, and
  - The appeal does not seek the withdrawal of the proposal as a whole.

Greg Campbell  
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

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The address for service of the Wellington Regional Council is the same as the address for submissions as set out above.