

**BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENT COURT
WELLINGTON REGISTRY**

ENV-2024-WLG-000053

**I MUA I TE KOOTI TAIAO O AOTEAROA
TE WHANGANUI-A-TARA ROHE**

IN THE MATTER

**of an appeal under Clause 14 of
Schedule 1 of the Resource
Management Act 1991**

BETWEEN

**Waikanae North Developments
Limited
Appellant**

AND

**Greater Wellington Regional Council
Respondent**

**NOTICE OF THE ROYAL FOREST AND BIRD PROTECTION SOCIETY OF NEW ZEALAND
INCORPORATED'S WISH TO BECOME A PARTY TO PROCEEDINGS PURSUANT TO SECTION 274
RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991**

Royal Forest & Bird Protection Society Inc

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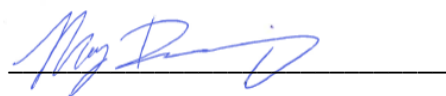
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**To: The Registrar
Environment Court
Wellington**

1. The Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society of New Zealand Incorporated (**Forest & Bird** or **the Society**) wishes to be a party to the appeal by Waikanae North Developments Limited (Appellant) on Greater Wellington Regional Council's (**respondent**) decisions on the non-freshwater planning instrument parts of Proposed Change 1 and variation 1 to the Regional Policy Statement for the Wellington Region (**PC1**).
2. Forest & Bird made a submission and further submission on PC1.
3. Forest & Bird is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308D of the Resource Management Act 1991.
4. Forest & Bird has an interest greater than the public generally as an incorporated society with a well-known role in the protection of indigenous biodiversity.¹
5. Forest & Bird is interested in all of the proceeding other than Policy 58 and Policy UD.3.
6. The Appellant's relief is wide-ranging and interconnected. Forest & Bird is interested in and **opposes** the relief sought where the Appellant seeks changes that:
 - a. Do not safeguard the life-supporting capacity of air, water, soil, and ecosystems.
 - b. Do not accord with the provision of Part 2 of the Resource Management Act.
 - c. Renders the mechanisms provided under the Resource Management Act to address climate change ineffective.
 - d. Fail to give effect to relevant national policy statements.
 - e. Do not achieve the objectives of the Regional Policy Statement for the Wellington Region and/or purpose of the Resource Management Act as required by section 32.
7. Forest & Bird agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.

Dated: 9 December 2024



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¹ See *Marlborough District Council v Burkhardt Fisheries Ltd* [2018] NZEnvC 26 and [31]

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