Freshwater Policy Review timeline

2021 - 2023

Project phase: Beginning the journey, understand issues and views, identify options

Co- governance decisions and/or reporting:
- Considered high level policy approach and options for ground truthing and feedback
- Post engagement round 1 update

Engagement and consultation:
- **Community and stakeholder engagement round 1**
  - Here's what we know so far, what do you think?
- **Community and stakeholder engagement round 2**
  - Here's what we're shaping up, what do you think?

Tangata whenua engagement

Key tasks:
- Developed strategies and plans for engaging with communities Reviewed existing plans and information
- Gathered views of tangata whenua and communities
- Identified draft FMUs, visions, aspirations, values, sies and features, current state and issues for freshwater
- Matched attributes to aspirations to identify policy options and possible targets

National- level change to timelines and approach in the NPS- FM

2024

Project phase: Testing options

Co- governance decisions and/or reporting:
- Confirm scope and approach
- Confirm governance
- Confirm engagement

Engagement and consultation:
- **Gathering information and exploring options**

Tangata whenua engagement

Key tasks:
- Confirm interim attributes, baseline state, and target attribute states
- Re- confirm approach Prepare project and engagement plans
- Briefings and reporting to Committee and partners
- Consider how flows and levels relate to the aspirations and targets and develop approach to water quantity
- Progress and ground-truth policy options
- Freshwater Committee on-boarding process
- Revise policy approach and target attribute states based on external influences from NPSFM, PC1, Vision and Strategy

2025

Project phase: Refining the policy approach

Co- governance decisions and/or reporting:
- Confirm engagement
- Receive draft documents

Engagement and consultation:
- **Here's what we're shaping up what do you think?**
- **Incorporate advice and feedback and refine the freshwater policy documents**

Tangata whenua engagement

Key tasks:
- Check developing policy direction and options with tangata whenua, stakeholders and communities
- Make changes in light of feedback
- Undertake review processes

Increasing clarity on what the national freshwater directions will mean for our region