Public notice of decisions on submissions on Proposed Waikato Regional Council Plan Change 1: Waikato and Waipā River Catchments

Pursuant to Clauses 10 and 11 of Schedule 1 of the Resource Management Act 1991, Waikato Regional Council gives notice on 22 April 2020 that it has made a decision on provisions and matters raised in submissions on the Proposed Waikato Regional Plan Change 1: Waikato and Waipā River Catchments.

At an extraordinary council meeting on 18 March 2020, council adopted the recommendations made by the Hearings Panel set out in the Hearings Panel's Report, with the correction of minor errors, as the Council's decision on the Proposed Waikato Regional Plan Change 1: Waikato and Waipā River Catchments.

Inspection and availability of the decisions

The decision documents and the material incorporated by reference in the plan change are available on Waikato Regional Council's website www.waikatoregion.govt.nz/healthyrivers.

Subject to restrictions relating to COVID-19, copies of the decision can also be viewed at the Waikato Regional Council offices in Hamilton (401 Grey Street), Paeroa (13 Opatito Road), Taupō (cnr Titiraupenga and Paora Hapi Streets), Whitianga (33-35 Albert Street) and at all public libraries in the Waikato region. Copies of the documents are available on request by emailing healthyrivers@waikatoregion.govt.nz or calling 0800 800 401.

The following material is incorporated by reference in Plan Change 1 and available from Waikato Regional Council:

- Code of Practice for Nutrient Management (with Emphasis on Fertiliser Use), Fertiliser Association of New Zealand, 2013
- Fertiliser Use on New Zealand Sheep and Beef Farms, Fertiliser Associate of New Zealand, 2018
- Fertiliser Use on New Zealand Dairy Farms, Fertiliser Association of New Zealand 2016
- Managing Soil Fertility on Cropping Farms, NZFMRA 2012
- A guide to using the Dairy Effluent Storage Calculator (DESC); Step by step instructions on how to calculate storage requirements, DairyNZ 2015.

Appeals to Environment Court

Any person who made a submission or further submission on Proposed Waikato Regional Plan Change 1: Waikato and Waipā River Catchments may appeal to the Environment Court in accordance with clause 14 of Schedule 1 of the RMA. Any appeal must be in the prescribed form and lodged with the Environment Court and served on the Waikato Regional Council within 30 working days of service of this notice of decision. Furthermore, within 5 working days of lodging an appeal, you are required to serve a copy of your appeal on every person who made a submission on those provisions or matters to which your appeal relates.

A list of submitters' addresses for service can be found on the Waikato Regional Council website. More information on the appeal process can be found on the Environment Court's website https://environmentcourt.govt.nz.

Waikato Regional Council has applied to the Environment Court for a waiver to extend the appeal period to 50 working days from service of this notice of decision. If the waiver is granted, submitters will be notified and details will be made available on the Waikato Regional Council website.

Any further directions from the Environment Court relating to the appeal period will be made available on the Waikato Regional Council website: www.waikatoregion.govt.nz/healthyrivers.

VRJ Payne Chief Executive 22 April 2020



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