Track Changes – End of Water Hearing – Yellow Version – 09 April 2010

Notes for track changes: This is the final recommendation for wording of One Plan provisions made by Regional Council officers at the conclusion of the Water Hearing. It uses the Proposed One Plan provisions as notified as the base document and consolidates recommendations from the Planning Evidence and Recommendations Report (August 2009), Supplementary Report (November 2009) and End of Hearing Report (April 2010).

Words recommended to be added are shown in <u>underline</u>, words recommended to be removed are shown in strike through.

Terms defined within the Proposed One Plan glossary are *italicised* and marked with an asterisk (\*) symbol. Terms defined in the Resource Management Act 1991 are *italicised* and marked with a caret () symbol.

# 15 Takes, Uses and Diversions of *Water*, and *Bores*

### 15.1A Objective 15-1: Regulation of takes, uses and diversions of *water*^

The regulation of takes, uses and diversions of water^ in a manner that:

- (a) recognises and provides for the *water*<sup>^</sup> management values set out in Schedule Ba; and
- (b) recognises and provides for the objectives and policies of Chapter 6 as they relate to surface *water*<sup>^</sup> and groundwater use and allocation, including the construction and management of *bores*<sup>\*</sup>.<sup>1</sup>

#### 15.1 Policies

#### Policy 15-1: Consent decision-making for takes and <u>or<sup>2</sup></u> uses of surface *water* and groundwater

When making decisions on *resource consent* applications, and setting consent *conditions*, for takes and <u>or</u> uses of surface water <u>or</u> <u>groundwater</u> the Regional Council will:

- (a) recognise and provide for the provisions of Chapter 6, in particular the Policies in Section 6.4.3
- (b) seek to avoid any adverse *effects*<sup> $^</sup>$  on other lawful activities, particularly <u>on</u> other <u>surface</u> water<sup> $^</sup>$  takes <u>and groundwater takes from</u> properly constructed bores<sup>\*</sup> (as described in Policies 15-13 and 15-15)<sup>3</sup></sup></sup>
- (c) have regard to the objectives and policies of Chapters 2, 3 and  $7 \frac{4^4}{4}$  to the extent that they are relevant to the activity.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Scope for this recommendation is found in "Report on scope for Water Chapter recommendations" Clause (ii).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> WTR 112 – 357/132.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Consequential change as a result of changes to Chapter 6 – section 6.7.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> WTR 112 – 180/73

#### Policy 6-12 15-2: Takes and allocations Reasonable and justifiable need for water<sup>9</sup>

The amount of water taken by resource users shall be reasonable and justifiable for the intended use. In addition,<sup>1</sup> The following specific measures for ensuring reasonable and justifiable use of *water*^ shall <u>must</u><sup>5</sup> be taken into account when considering consent applications to take *water*^ for irrigation, *public water supply*\*, animal drinking *water*^, dairy shed washdown<sup>6</sup> or industrial use, and during reviews of consent conditions^ for these activities.

- (a) For irrigation, *resource consent*<sup>A</sup> applications shall <u>must</u><sup>3</sup> be required to meet a reasonable use test in relation to the maximum daily rate of abstraction, the irrigation return period and the seasonal or annual volume of the proposed take. When making decisions on the reasonableness of the rate and volume of take sought, the Regional Council will:
  - (i) consider *land*^ use, crop *water*^ use requirements, on-site physical factors such as soil *water*^-holding capacity, and climatic factors such as rainfall variability and potential evapo-transpiration
  - (ii) assess applications either on the basis of an irrigation application efficiency of 80% (even if the actual system being used has a lower application efficiency), or on the basis of a higher efficiency where an application is for an irrigation system with a higher efficiency
  - (iii) link actual irrigation use to soil moisture measurements in consent conditions^.
- (aa) For animal drinking water^ and washdown water^ for dairy sheds the following must be considered to be reasonable:
  - (i) 70 litres per day for stock drinking water^
  - (ii) <u>70 litres per day for dairy shed washdown.</u><sup>6</sup>
- (b) For industrial uses, *water*<sup>A</sup> allocation shall <u>must</u><sup>5</sup> be calculated where possible in accordance with best management practices for *water*<sup>A</sup> efficiency for that particular industry.
- (c) For *public water supplies*\*, the following shall <u>must</u> be considered to be reasonable:
  - (i) an allocation of 300 litres per person per day for domestic needs, plus
  - (ii) an allocation for commercial use equal to 20% of the total allocation for domestic needs, plus
  - (iii) an allocation for industrial use calculated, where possible,<sup>1</sup> in accordance with best management practices for *water*^ efficiency for that particular industry, plus
  - (iv) any allocation necessary to cater for the reasonable needs of livestock or agricultural practices that are connected to the *public water supply*\* system, plus

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Consequential change as a result of the Provisional Determinations.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> WTR 34 – 180/33.

- (v) an allocation necessary to cater for growth, where urban growth of the municipality is zoned and is reasonably forecast, plus
- (vi) an allocation for leakage equal to 15% of the total of subsections<sup>7</sup> (i) to (v) above.

Where the existing allocation for a *public water supply*<sup>\*</sup> exceeds the allocation calculated in accordance with subsections<sup>7</sup> (i) to (vi) above, the Regional Council will establish, in consultation with the relevant Territorial Authority, consideration will be given to<sup>8</sup> a timeframe by which the existing allocation shall can<sup>5</sup> be reduced to the calculated amount.<sup>9</sup>

This policy implements Objective 15-1.<sup>1</sup>

#### Policy 6-13 15-3: Efficient use of water^

<u>*Water*^ must be used efficiently<sup>1</sup> including by the following measures:</u>

- (a) requiring *water*<sup>^</sup> audits and *water*<sup>^</sup> budgets to check for leakages and *water*<sup>^</sup> use efficiency
- (b) requiring the use of, or progressive *upgrade*\* to, *infrastructure*^\* for *water*^ distribution that minimises use and loss of *water*^ <u>to the level</u> set out in Policy 15-7<sup>10</sup>
- (c) enabling the transfer of *water permits*^
- (d) raising awareness about *water*^ efficiency issues and techniques
- (e) <u>undertaking water^ use monitoring, including by installing water</u>^ metering and telemetry to monitor water^ use.<sup>11 12</sup>

This policy implements Objective 15-1.1

#### Policy 15-3: Consent decision-making for bores

When making decisions on resource consent applications and setting consent conditions, for the development and management of bores, the Regional Council will recognise and provide for Policy 6-22.<sup>13 1</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Minor change – Schedule 1, Clause 16(2) RMA.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>8</sup> WTR 34 – 172/43.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Policy 15-2 has been incorporated in part from Chapter 6 (Policy 6-12).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>10</sup> WTR 35 – 280/47.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>11</sup> WTR 35 – 426/59.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>12</sup> Policy 15-3 has been incorporated in part from Chapter 6 (Policy 6-13).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>13</sup> Policy 15-3 (as notified) has been deleted

#### Monitoring requirements of consent holders Policy 15-4:

*Water*<sup> $^</sup>$  takes shall must<sup>5</sup> generally be subject to the following monitoring requirements:</sup>

- the installation of a pulse-count capable water^ meter on all water^ takes that are allowed by way of a resource consent, in order to (a) monitor the amount of *water*<sup>^</sup> taken
- the installation of a Regional Council compatible telemetry system on surface water^ takes greater than 750 m<sup>3</sup>/d, and on groundwater (b) takes greater than 750 m<sup>3</sup>/d where the groundwater is highly interconnected with surface water^
- the installation of a Regional Council compatible telemetry system on other groundwater takes greater than 4000 m<sup>3</sup>/d (c)
- the installation of Regional Council compatible telemetred conductivity meters on groundwater takes located within 5 km of the coast, or (d) on a nearby monitoring bore\*
- the installation of a Regional Council compatible telemetry system on consented surface *water*<sup>1</sup> takes where: (e)
  - the amount of water^ taken, when assessed in combination with all other water^ takes upstream, exceeds 15% of the estimated (i) one-day mean annual low flow, or
  - the amount of water^ taken from a Wwater Mmanagement Ssub-zone\* <sup>14</sup>as identified in Schedule DBa<sup>14</sup> exceeds 15% of the one-day (ii) mean annual low flow for that sub-zone.

This policy implements Objective 15-1.<sup>1</sup>

#### Policy 15-5: Consent review and expiry

Resource consents^ to take water^ shall must<sup>5</sup> generally be reviewed, and or shall must <sup>5</sup>generally expire, in accordance with the dates set out in Table 11.1.7 At the time of consent review or expiry the Regional Council will allocate water resources within each Wwater Mmanagement Ssubzone\*14 in accordance with Policy 15-1 and in a manner which:

- allows for the taking of *water*<sup>A</sup> by as many resource users as possible, within the allocable limits and minimum flow provisions <sup>15</sup>set in (a) this Plan for the subject Wwater Mmanagement Ssub-zone \*14
- allows takes account of the demand for the resource and the need to provide for that demand based on in<sup>1</sup> the following order of priority: (b)
  - (i) takes permitted under Rule 15-1 of this Plan and takes for the purpose of fire-fighting

Consequential change from recommendations and changes to Schedule D, including the development of the new Schedule Ba. WTR 116 – 151/175.

- (ia) resource consents^ for takes or portions of takes for public water supplies\* which are predominantly for domestic use, that are due for review or that are expiring<sup>15</sup>
- (ii) current resource consents that are due for review, taking into account records of past actual water usage
- (iii) current *resource consents*<sup>^</sup> that are expiring and have been reapplied for at least 6 months prior to the expiry date for that consent, taking into account records of past actual *water*<sup>^</sup> usage
- (iv) new resource consent<sup>^</sup> applications for essential takes, being takes providing for <u>the reasonable needs for</u> domestic <u>or animal</u> <u>drinking water-use</u>, hospitals and freezing works, other facilities providing medical treatment, marae, schools or other education facilities, defence facilities or correction facilities<sup>15</sup>
- (v) all other new *resource consent* applications based on the date of lodgement of the application.

#### Policy 15-6: Transfer of *water permits*

On the application of any consent holder, the transfer of a permit to take *water* will be approved in terms of s136(2)(b)(ii) of the RMA, providing:

- (a) the transferred take is exercised within the same <u>*W*</u> water <u>*M*</u> anagement <u>*S*</u> as the original consent
- (b) the rate and quantity of *water*<sup>^</sup> taken are consistent with the provisions of Chapter 6 regarding the need for *water*<sup>^</sup> and efficient use of *water*<sup>^</sup>
- (c) the transferred take complies with all relevant *water* allocation requirements of Chapter 6 at the site of transfer
- (d) there are no more than minor adverse *effects* on any other take or use of *water*.

This policy implements Objective 15-1.<sup>1</sup>

### Policy 6-14 15-7: Consideration of alternative *water*<sup>^</sup> sources

When making decisions on consent applications to take surface *water*<sup>^</sup>, the opportunity to utilise alternative sources such as groundwater or *water*<sup>^</sup> storage, <u>including *water*<sup>^</sup> harvesting during periods of high flow in a *river*<sup>^</sup> and recycling of *water*<sup>^16</sup> shall <u>must</u><sup>5</sup> be considered. <sup>17</sup></u>

This policy implements Objective 15-1.1

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>16</sup> WTR 36 – 359/53.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> Policy 15-7 has been incorporated in its entirety from Chapter 6 (Policy 6-14).

#### Policy 6-19 15-8: Apportioning, restricting and suspending takes in times of low minimum<sup>14</sup> flow

During times of low flow, When the *river*^ is at or below its minimum flow<sup>14</sup> takes from rivers^ shall must<sup>5</sup> be managed in the following manner:

- (a) **Permitted takes** Takes that are permitted by this Plan (surface *water*<sup> $^</sup>$  and groundwater takes) or are for fire-fighting purposes shall <u>must</u><sup>5</sup> be allowed to continue regardless of *river*<sup> $^</sup>$  flow.</sup></sup>
- (b) **Essential takes** The following core *water*^ allocation takes shall <u>must</u><sup>5</sup> be deemed essential and <u>shall must</u><sup>5</sup> be managed in the manner described:
  - (i) (iv) takes greater than permitted by this Plan (and therefore subject to *resource consent*^) that are required to meet an individual's reasonable domestic needs or the reasonable needs of an individual's animals for drinking water shall must be allowed to continue regardless of *river*^ flow. Reasonable needs must<sup>5</sup> be calculated as follows:
    - (A) up to 250 litres per person per day for domestic needs
    - (B) up to 70 litres per animal per day for stock drinking water^<sup>18</sup>
  - (ii) (v)-takes required to meet the reasonable needs of hospitals, other facilities providing medical treatment, marae, schools or other education facilities, defence facilities<sup>19</sup> or correction facilities shall must<sup>5</sup> be allowed to continue regardless of *river*^ flow
  - (iii) (vi) takes which were lawfully established at 31 May 2007<sup>5</sup> which are <sup>20</sup> required for the operation of industries which, if their take were to cease, would significantly compromise a community's ability to provide for its social, economic or cultural well-being or for its health or safety, shall must be allowed to continue regardless of *river* flow, but shall must be required to minimise the amount of *water* taken to the extent reasonable
  - (iv) (vii) *public water supply*\* takes shall <u>must</u><sup>5</sup> be restricted to a total public *water*^ consumption calculated as follows:
    - (A) an allocation of 250 litres per person per day for domestic needs, plus
    - (B) an allocation for commercial use equal to 20% of the total allocation for domestic needs, plus
    - (C) an allocation which meets the reasonable needs of those facilities and industries listed under <del>subsections (b)(ii)</del> and (b)(iii) where such facilities and industries are connected to the *public water supply*\* system, plus
    - (D) any allocation necessary to cater for the reasonable needs of livestock that are connected to the *public water supply*\* system, plus
    - (E) an allocation for leakage equal to 15% of the total of subsections<sup>7</sup> (A) to (D) above.
- (c) **Non-essential takes** Other core *water*<sup>A</sup> allocation takes, including irrigation takes but excluding the essential takes described under subsection <sup>7</sup>(b), shall <u>must</u> <sup>5</sup> be managed in the following manner:
  - (i) water^ takes shall  $\underline{must}^5$  be required to cease when the river^ drops to or below<sup>1</sup> its minimum flow, as set out in Policy 6-16
  - (ii) water^ takes shall must <sup>5</sup> be allowed to recommence once the river^ flow has risen above its minimum flow

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>18</sup> WTR 41 – 182/19.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>19</sup> WTR 41 - 330/33.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>20</sup> WTR 41 - 358/43.

(d) **Meaning of 'core water^ allocation take'** – For the purposes of this policy, a core water^ allocation take means a take that has been granted consent in accordance with a core water^ allocation made under Policy 6-16, or in accordance with a previous core water^ allocation regime<sup>21</sup>.

This policy implements Objective 15-1.<sup>1</sup>

#### Policy 6-20 15-9: Surface water^ allocation - lakes^

Decisions on *resource consent*<sup>A</sup> applications to take *water*<sup>A</sup> from a *lake*<sup>A</sup> shall <u>must</u><sup>5</sup> ensure that there are no significant adverse *effects*<sup>A</sup> on the values of the *lake*<sup>A</sup>, as shown in Schedule <u>DBa</u><sup>14</sup> and have regard to the policies for indigenous biodiversity in Chapter 12.<sup>22</sup> <sup>23</sup>

This policy implements Objective 15-1.<sup>1</sup>

#### Policy 6-23 15-10: Groundwater Management Zones\*

The total amount annual allocated volume<sup>1</sup> of groundwater taken from each *Groundwater Management Zone*<sup>\*</sup> mapped in Schedule  $\underline{C}^{14}$  shall must not exceed comply with<sup>1</sup> the annual allocable volume specified in Schedule  $\underline{C}^{.14}$  <sup>24</sup>

This policy implements Objective 15-1<sup>1</sup>

#### Policy 6-24 15-11: Effects<sup>^</sup> of groundwater takes on other groundwater takes

- (a) Consent applicants wishing applications<sup>1</sup> to take groundwater shall must<sup>5</sup> be required to include <sup>25</sup>generally be required to undertake pumping tests and hydrogeological assessments in order to determine the likely<sup>25</sup> impact on existing groundwater takes in the vicinity.
- (b) Consent *conditions*<sup>A</sup> restricting the rate and/or duration of pumping shall <u>must</u><sup>1</sup> be imposed on new takes of groundwater where this is necessary to avoid significant drawdown impacts on existing groundwater takes from good quality bores\* in the vicinity. A groundwater take is considered to be from a good quality bore\* in circumstances where the bore\* penetrates the aquifer from which water is being drawn at a depth sufficient to enable water to be drawn all year (ie., the bore\* depth is below the range of seasonal fluctuations in groundwater level), the bore\* is adequately maintained, the bore\* is of sufficient diameter and is screened to reasonably minimise drawdown, and the bore\* has a pump capable of drawing water from its base to the land surface. Significant drawdown impact occurs

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>21</sup> Policy 15-8 has been incorporated in its entirety from Chapter 6 (Policy 6-19).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>22</sup> WTR 42 – 357/79.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>23</sup> Policy 15-9 has been incorporated in its entirety from Chapter 6 (Policy 6-20).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>24</sup> Policy 15-10 has been incorporated in its entirety from Chapter 6 (Policy 6-23).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>25</sup> WTR 46 - 357/82.

where drawdown of more than 0.5 m within a 100-day period that, in combination with drawdown *effects*<sup>^</sup> greater than 0.5 m within a 100-day period from all other abstractions, would cause a more than minor reduction in the reliability of supply from any existing lawful groundwater take from a properly constructed *bore*<sup>\*</sup> within 3 km in the same *Groundwater Management Zone*<sup>\*</sup> <sup>27 1</sup>

- (c) Consent *conditions*<sup>A</sup> specifying short-term restrictions on the rate and/or duration of pumping may also be imposed on new takes of groundwater where this is necessary to avoid <del>significant</del> drawdown impacts <u>that cause a more than minor reduction in the reliability of</u> <u>supply of on</u> existing *bores*<sup>\*</sup> that are not <del>of a good quality properly constructed in accordance with Policy 15-13</del>, in order to allow sufficient time for such *bores*<sup>\*</sup> to be *upgraded*<sup>\*</sup> or replaced.<sup>27</sup>
- (d) The Regional Council may encourage consent *applicants*<sup>^</sup> to consider the option of providing *water*<sup>^</sup> to neighbouring properties in circumstances where this would be more practical than meeting the requirements of subsections<sup>7</sup> (b) or (c). <sup>26</sup>

This policy implements Objective 15-1<sup>1</sup>

#### Policy 6-25 15-12: Effects of groundwater takes on surface water bodies<sup>1</sup>

The effects of groundwater takes on surface *water bodies*<sup>\*</sup>, including wetlands, shall  $\underline{\text{must}}^5$  be managed in the following manner:

- (a) An appropriate scientific method shall be used to calculate the likely degree of connection between the groundwater and surface water at the location of the groundwater take.
- (b) To the extent justified by the calculation under subsection (a), the groundwater take shall be assessed and managed as if it were a surface take from the water management zone(s) to which it is connected.
- (a) The effects<sup>A</sup> of a groundwater abstraction on surface water bodies<sup>\*</sup> shall must be assessed according to the Guidelines for the Assessment of Groundwater Abstraction Effects on Stream Flow prepared by Pattle Delamore Partners Ltd and Environment Canterbury (Environment Canterbury Report R00/11, ISBN 1-86937-387-1, First Edition, June 2000).<sup>27</sup>
- (b) Consent applications for new groundwater abstractions, lodged after the date that this Policy becomes *operative*, shall must have their surface *water*^ depletion *effects*^ classified and managed as per Table 15-1: <sup>28</sup>

Policy 15-11 has been incorporated in its entirety from Chapter 6 (Policy 6-24).
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<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>27</sup> WTR 47 – 359/66.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>28</sup> Policy 15-12 has been incorporated in its entirety from Chapter 6 (Policy 6-25).

| Classification of Surface | Magnitude of Surface Water^ Depletion Effect^             | Management Approach                                      |
|---------------------------|---|--|
| Water^ Depletion Effect^  |   |  |
| <u>Riparian</u>           | Any groundwater abstraction located within the            | The groundwater abstraction is subject to the same       |
|                           | geologically recent river^ bed^ strata of a surface water | restrictions as a surface water abstraction, unless      |
|                           | body*.  | there is clear hydrogeologic evidence that demonstrates  |
|                           |   | that the effect' of pumping will not impact on the       |
|                           |   | surface water body*.                                     |
| <u>High</u>               | The surface water depletion effect is calculated as       | The groundwater abstraction is subject to the same       |
|                           | greater than or equal to 90% of the groundwater           | minimum flows and allocation limits as in Schedule B.    |
|                           | pumping rate after seven days of pumping, or greater      |  |
|                           | than or equal to 50% of the average groundwater           |  |
|                           | pumping rate after 100 days of pumping.                   |  |
| <u>Medium</u>             | The surface water depletion effect is calculated as       | The calculated loss of surface water^ is included in the |
|                           | less than 50% and greater than or equal to 20% of the     | surface water^ allocation regime, but no minimum flow    |
|                           | groundwater pumping rate after 100 days of pumping.       | conditions are imposed on the groundwater abstraction.   |
| Low or Negligible         | The surface water depletion effect is calculated as       | No surface water management rules are required           |
|                           | less than 20% of the groundwater pumping rate after       | because the effect^ is small and delayed.                |
|                           | 100 days of pumping.                                      |  |

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This policy implements Objective 15-1.<sup>1</sup>

## Policy 6-26 15-13: Saltwater Seawater<sup>1</sup> intrusion

SaltSeawater<sup>1</sup> intrusion along the coastal margins of the Region arising from groundwater takes shall must <sup>5</sup>be managed by the following measures:

- Consent applications applicants wishing 1 to take groundwater within 5 km of the coastal mean high water spring line shall must be (a) required to include carry out <sup>1</sup> pumping tests and hydrogeological assessments in order<sup>1</sup> to determine the level of drawdown at the coast and the likelihood of inducing salt contribution of that drawdown to increasing the risk of seawater intrusion.<sup>27</sup>
- In cases where saltwater intrusion might occur, tThe<sup>1</sup> consent application may be declined or the amount of *water*<sup>A</sup> that can be taken may shall-<sup>5</sup> be limited to an amount that restricts lessens the likelihood risk of salt seawater intrusion.<sup>30</sup> (b)

Table 15-1 has been incorporated in its entirety from Chapter 6 (Table 6-2a). WTR 48 – 426/72. 29

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- (c) In addition, consents to take groundwater within 5 km of the coast shall <u>must</u><sup>5</sup> contain *conditions*^ relating to the monitoring of <u>groundwater</u> <u>levels and</u> <sup>1</sup>electrical conductivity, and the restriction or suspension of takes if specified electrical conductivity thresholds are reached or exceeded. These monitoring requirements and electrical conductivity thresholds will be determined on a case by case basis.
- (d) Wherever possible, groundwater abstractions must be managed to avoid critical pumping rates that could draw seawater towards the pumping *bore*\*. Groundwater pressures along the coastal margin should be maintained above mean sea level by an amount that is one-fortieth (1/40) of the depth of the base of the aquifer system.<sup>27</sup> <sup>31</sup>

#### Policy 6-22 15-14: Bore\* construction development and management

- (a) New bBores\* shall must<sup>5</sup> be sited to ensure adequate separation from existing bores\*, and to avoid an over-concentration of bores\* in a particular area, wherever practicable, so as to avoid or mitigate effects^ on the reliability of supply of properly constructed existing bores\*. A bore\* that is constructed in general accordance with (b)-(d) of this Policy, and is recorded on Horizons' groundwater database, must be considered to be a properly constructed bore\*<sup>32</sup>.
- (b) New bBores<sup>\*32</sup> shall must<sup>5</sup> generally be constructed, and bore\* logs and other records prepared, in accordance with the NZS 4411:2001 Environmental Standard for Drilling of Soil and Rock.
- (c) New bBores<sup>\*32</sup> shall must<sup>5</sup> be designed to ensure a high degree of efficiency with respect to bore\* development, bore\* depth and diameter, and screen depth and length. <u>A high degree of efficiency is achieved where:</u>
  - (i) the *bore*<sup>\*</sup> adequately penetrates the aquifer from which *water*<sup>^</sup> is being drawn at a depth sufficient to enable *water*<sup>^</sup> to be drawn all year (i.e. the *bore*<sup>\*</sup> depth allows for the placement of a pump below the depth of the lowest groundwater levels in any year with sufficient allowance for drawdown requirements).
  - (ii) the bore\* is adequately maintained,
  - (iii) the bore\* is of sufficient diameter and the bore\* has a pump capable of drawing water^ to the land^ surface.<sup>1</sup>
- (d) New *bBores*<sup>\*32</sup> shall  $\underline{must}^5$  be sited, constructed and used in a manner that prevents:
  - (i) *contaminants*<sup>^</sup> from entering the *bore*<sup>\*</sup> from the *land*<sup>^</sup> surface
  - (ii) the wastage of *water*^ in artesian *conditions*^.
- (e) *Bores*\* that are no longer required shall <u>must</u><sup>5</sup> be decommissioned in general accordance with the NZS 4411:2001 Environmental Standard for Drilling of Soil and Rock.<sup>33</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>31</sup> Policy 15-13 has been incorporated in its entirety from Chapter 6 (Policy 6-26).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>32</sup> WTR 44 – 357/80 and 426/69.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>33</sup> Policy 15-14 has been incorporated in its entirety from Chapter 6 (Policy 6-22).

### Policy 15-215: Consent decision-making for diversions and drainage

When making decisions on *resource consent* applications, and setting consent *conditions*, for the diversion of *water*, including diversions associated with drainage, the Regional Council will:

- (a) recognise and provide for the provisions of Chapter 6
- (b) manage *effects*<sup>A</sup> on rare <del>and</del> <u>habitats</u><sup>\*</sup>, threatened habitats<sup>\*</sup> and at-risk habitats<sup>\*</sup> in accordance with Chapter 7 <u>and the decision-making</u> <u>policies in Chapter 12</u><sup>1</sup>
- (c) manage *effects* on the natural character of *water\_bodies* in accordance with Chapter 7
- (d) recognise and provide for the provisions of Chapter 10, in relation to flood risk
- (e) seek to avoid any adverse *effects* on any other lawful activity, including *water* takes
- (f) have regard to the objectives and policies of Chapter 3.<sup>34</sup>

This policy implements Objective 15-1.<sup>1</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>34</sup> WTR 113 – 359/109.

#### 15.2 *Rules*<sup>^</sup> – Takes and Uses of *Water*<sup>^</sup>

| Rule <u>^</u>  | Activity   | Classification | Conditions/Standards/Terms   | Control/Discretion<br>Non-Notification |
|--|--|----------------|--|--|
| 15-1<br>Minor takes<br>and _uses of<br>surface <i>water</i> ^            | The taking and or5_use of surface <i>water</i> pursuant to s14(2+) and s14(3)(b) <sup>1</sup> RMA, excluding those rivers protected under Rule 15-7 and except where the water take is controlled under Rule 13-1. <sup>35</sup> | Permitted      | <ul> <li>(a) The rate of take shall must not exceed 200 l/h.a. up to a maximum of 30 m³/d per property*+ <sup>36</sup></li> <li>(i) 30 m³/d per property* where the water^_is required for an individual's reasonable domestic needs and/or the reasonable needs of an individual's animals for drinking water^.</li> <li>(ii) 15 m³/d per property* where the water^ is for any other use.</li> <li>The rates of take allowed under subsections (i) and (ii) cannot be added: the maximum allowable rate of take under this rule^ is 30 m³/d per property<sup>*</sup>*</li> <li>(b) The rate of take shall must<sup>5</sup> not exceed 0.5 2.0 l/s.<sup>36</sup></li> <li>(c) An intake screen with a mesh aperture size not exceeding 3 mm in diameter shall must<sup>5</sup> be used and the intake velocity shall must<sup>5</sup> not be from any wetland<sup>^</sup> that is a rare habitat<sup>*</sup> 5 or threatened habitat<sup>*</sup>.</li> <li>(e) The water^ shall must<sup>5</sup> be used on the subject <sup>5</sup>property*.</li> <li>The Regional Council shall must<sup>5</sup> be notified in writing of the location of the take, the maximum instantaneous rate of take and the intended use of water^.</li> </ul> |  |
| 15-2<br>Minor takes<br><del>and <u>or</u> 1</del> uses of<br>groundwater | The taking <del>and <u>or</u> 1</del> use of groundwater pursuant to s14( <u>2</u> 4) <u>and s14(3)(b)</u> 1RMA, except where the water take is controlled under Rule 13-1.35  | Permitted      | <ul> <li>(a) The rate of take shall <u>must</u> <sup>5</sup>not exceed 50 m<sup>3</sup>/d per property*.</li> <li>(b) The take shall <u>must</u><sup>5</sup> not be located within 50 m of any other bore<u>*</u> on any other property* unless written approval is obtained from the bore owner.<sup>1</sup></li> <li>(c) The take shall <u>must</u> <sup>5</sup> not be located within 100 m of any</li> </ul>   |  |

 <sup>&</sup>lt;sup>35</sup> Consequential changes as a result of changes to other rules.
 <sup>36</sup> WTR 120 - 35/15.

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|   |   |                | <ul> <li>river^, <u>or</u> 1lake^ or spring, 1or within 200 m of any wetland^ that is a rare <u>habitat</u>*35 or threatened habitat*.</li> <li>(d) The take shall <u>must</u>5 not lower the water^ level in any wetland^ that is a rare <u>habitat</u>*35 or threatened habitat*.</li> <li>(e) There shall <u>must</u>5 be a means of controlling the rate of flow where a bore* would otherwise be free-flowing, and no water^ shall <u>must</u>5 be allowed to run to waste.</li> <li>(f) The water^ shall <u>must</u>5 be used on the <u>subject</u>5 property*.</li> <li>(g) The Regional Council shall <u>must</u>5 be notified in writing of the location of the take, the maximum instantaneous rate of take and the intended use of water^.</li> </ul>  |  |
| 15-3<br>Use of heat or<br>energy from<br>surface <i>water</i> | The use of heat or energy from surface <i>water</i> pursuant to s14( <u>2</u> 4) RMA. <sup>1</sup>  | Permitted      |   |  |
| 15-4<br>Bore <u>*</u> and<br>groundwater<br>testing           | The taking, and use <u>and discharge^1</u> of groundwater for<br>bore_tor groundwater testing purposes pursuant to<br>s14(24) RMA, and any <u>ancilliaryconsequential</u><br><sup>5</sup> discharge <u>onetical</u> of sediment or other <u>contaminants</u> <sup>*</sup> 1into<br>water^ or onto <u>or into</u> 1 <u>land</u> <sup>6</sup> pursuant to s <u>s9</u> , 15(1) <u>or</u><br><u>15(2) or 15(2A)</u> 1RMA. | Permitted      | <ul> <li>(a) The Regional Council-shall <u>must</u><sup>5</sup> be notified in writing at least 5 <i>working days</i><sup>^</sup> prior to commencement of the test.</li> <li>(b) The rate of take shall <u>must</u><sup>5</sup> not exceed 60 l/s.</li> <li>(c) The duration of any single test shall <u>must</u><sup>5</sup> not exceed 7 days.</li> <li>(d) The activity shall <u>must</u><sup>5</sup> be carried out in accordance with the NZS4411:2001 Environmental Standard for Drilling of Soil and Rock.</li> <li>(e) The take shall <u>must</u><sup>5</sup> not lower the <i>water</i>^ level in any <i>wetland</i>^ that is a <i>rare</i> <u>habitat</u><sup>5</sup> or <i>threatened</i> habitat<sup>*</sup>.</li> <li>(f) Where the <i>discharge</i>^ is into <i>water</i>^ the <i>discharge</i>^ shall <u>must</u><sup>5</sup> not: <ul> <li>(i) change the receiving <i>water</i>^ temperature by more than 3°C after <i>reasonable mixing</i><sup>*</sup></li> <li>(ii) cause erosion of the bed<sup>^</sup>1 of the receiving <i>water_body</i><sup>*</sup></li> <li>(iv) cause visibly noticeable iron flocculation in the receiving <i>water_body</i><sup>*</sup>.</li> </ul> </li> <li>(g) Where the <i>discharge</i>^ is onto <i>land</i>^ the <i>discharge</i>^ shall</li> </ul> |  |

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|   |   |                | <ul> <li><u>must</u><sup>5</sup> not increase <i>land</i><sup>^</sup> instability or the risk of erosion.</li> <li>(h) The <i>discharge</i><sup>^</sup> shall <u>must</u><sup>5</sup> not cause or contribute to flooding on any other <i>property</i><sup>*</sup>.</li> <li>(i) Following completion of the test the <i>bore</i><sup>*</sup> shall <u>must</u><sup>5</sup> be covered and secured as soon as practicable.</li> <li>(j) Records of all pumping and recovery tests shall <u>must</u><sup>5</sup> be kept by the <i>owner</i><sup>^</sup>, including the location of the pumped <i>bore</i><sup>*</sup> and any monitoring <i>bores</i><sup>*</sup>, the flow rate during pumping, the <i>water</i><sup>^</sup> level at the pumped <i>bore</i><sup>*</sup> and any monitoring <i>bores</i><sup>*</sup>, and the time at which all measurements are taken. These records shall <u>must</u><sup>5</sup> be forwarded to the Regional Council within 1 month of completion of the tests.</li> </ul>  |   |
| 15-5<br>Takes <del>and <u>or</u>1</del><br>uses of<br>surface <i>water</i> <u></u><br>complying<br>with core<br>allocations | The taking and or1_use of surface water^ from a river^ or<br>lake^ pursuant to s14(21) RMA except takes or uses of<br>surface water^ permitted under Rule 15-1, except<br>where the water take is controlled under Rule 13-1.35 | Controlled     | <ul> <li>(a) The take shall not be from those rivers protected under Rule 15-7.<sup>35</sup></li> <li>(b) Water<u>h</u> shall <u>must</u><sup>5</sup> only be taken when the <i>river</i><u>h</u> is at or<sup>1</sup> above its minimum flow, as assessed in accordance with Schedule B- <u>except as provided for by:</u> <ul> <li>(i) takes or portions of takes which are for the purposes of stock animal drinking <i>water</i><u>h</u> and domestic needs, or</li> <li>(ii) <u>public water supplies</u>* predominantly for domestic use which may continue at or below minimum flow provided the rates and volumes of takes do not exceed the maximum takes at minimum flow set out in Policy 15-11. <sup>37</sup></li> </ul> </li> <li>(c) The amount of <i>water</i><u>h</u> taken, when assessed in combination with all other <i>water</i><u>h</u> takes within the same <u>W</u><i>water</i><u>M</u><i>management</i><u>Sub-zone</u><sup>47</sup> in Schedule B.</li> <li>(d) The amount of <i>water</i><u>h</u> taken, when assessed in combination with all other <i>water</i><u>h</u> taken, when assessed in combination with all other <i>water</i><u>h</u> taken, when assessed in combination with all other <i>water</i><u>h</u> taken, when assessed in combination with all other <i>water</i><u>h</u> taken, when assessed in combination with all other <i>water</i><u>h</u> taken, when assessed in combination with all other <i>water</i><u>h</u> taken, when assessed in combination with all other <i>water</i><u>h</u> taken, when assessed in combination with all other <i>water</i><u>h</u> taken when assessed in combination with all other <i>water</i><u>h</u> taken when assessed in combination with all other <i>water</i><u>h</u> taken when assessed in combination with all other <i>water</i><u>h</u> taken when assessed in combination with all other <i>water</i><u>h</u> taken when assessed in combination with all other <i>water</i><u>h</u> taken when assessed in combination with all other <i>water</i><u>h</u> taken when assessed in combination with all other <i>water</i><u>h</u> taken when assessed in combination with all other <i>water</i><u>h</u> taken when assessed in combination with all other <i>water</i><u>h</u> taken when assessed in combination with all other <i>water</i><u>h</u> taken when assessed in combination with all other <i>water</i><u>h</u> taken when assessed in combi</li></ul> | <ul> <li>Control is reserved over:</li> <li>(a) the volume and rate of <i>water</i><sup>^</sup></li></ul> |

<sup>37</sup> WTR 124 – 182/74. <sup>38</sup> WTR 124 – 182/73.

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|   |  |                   | (e) The take shall must <sup>5</sup> not lower the water <sup>^</sup> level in any<br>wetland <sup>^</sup> that is a rare <u>habitat<sup>*5</sup></u> or threatened habitat <sup>*</sup> . | (k) compliance monitoring.<br>Resource consent <sup>^</sup> applications under<br>this Rule <sup>^</sup> will not be notified and<br>written approval of affected persons<br>will not be required (notice of<br>applications need not be served <sup>^</sup> on<br>affected persons). |
| 15-6<br>Takes <u>or uses</u> <sup>1</sup><br>of surface<br><i>water</i> ^ not<br>complying<br>with core<br>allocations <u>or</u><br><u>takes or uses</u><br><u>of <i>water</i>^</u><br><u>taken at or</u><br><u>below</u><br><u>minimum</u><br>flow <sup>39</sup> | <ul> <li>The taking <u>or use</u> of surface <i>water</i><sup>^</sup> from a <i>river</i><sup>^</sup> <u>or</u> <i>lake</i><sup>^</sup> pursuant to s14(2) RMA:<sup>1</sup></li> <li>(aa) which, when assessed in combination with all other <i>water</i><sup>^</sup> takes, exceeds the relevant core allocation set out in Schedule B<u>-or</u></li> <li>(ab) which is taken at or below minimum flow (except where the <i>water</i><sup>^</sup> take is controlled by Rule 15-5(b)(i))<sup>39</sup></li> <li>This <i>rule</i><sup>^</sup> does not include:</li> <li>(a) takes <u>or uses</u> <sup>1</sup>permitted under Rule 15-1</li> <li>(b) takes <u>or uses</u> <sup>1</sup>permitted under Rule 15-1</li> <li>(b) takes <u>or uses</u> <sup>1</sup>permitted under Rule 15-1</li> <li>(c) lawfully established takes <u>or uses</u> <sup>1</sup> for hydroelectricity generation (these are <i>Deliscretionary Aactivities</i><sup>^1</sup> under Rule 15-8).</li> </ul> | Non-<br>complying |  |   |
| 15-7<br>Takes from<br>rivers <u>^</u><br>protected by<br>water<br>conservation<br>orders <sup>∆40</sup>   | <ul> <li>(a) The taking and use of surface water pursuant to s<br/>14(1) RMA from:         <ul> <li>(i) the Upper Rangitikei River as defined in the<br/>Water Conservation (Rangitikei River) Order<br/>1993</li> <li>(ii) The Manganui o Te Ao River upstream of its<br/>confluence with the Waimarino Stream, the</li> </ul> </li> </ul>  | Prohibited        |  |   |

39 40 WTR 125 – 182/75. WTR 126 – 358/89.

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|               | Makatote River or the Mangaturuturu River.<br>(b) The taking and use of surface water_pursuant to s<br>14(1) RMA from the Middle Rangitikei River as<br>defined in the Water Conservation (Rangitikei<br>River) Order 1993 in a manner that causes the rate<br>of flow of the natural waters - in the middle river to<br>be less than 95% of the river flow (where "river<br>flow" is determined in accordance with the<br>definition in the Water Conservation (Rangitikei  |                |                            |  |
|               | <ul> <li>River) Order 1993).</li> <li>(c) The taking and use of surface water pursuant to s<br/>14(1) RMA from the Manganui o Te Ao River<br/>downstream of its confluence with the Waimarino<br/>Stream, the Waimarino Stream or the Orautoha<br/>Stream in a manner that causes the rate of flow of<br/>the natural waters to differ from the normal flow by<br/>more than 5% or to fall below the minimum flow<br/>(where "normal flow" and "minimum flow" are<br/>determined in accordance with the definitions in the<br/>Water Conservation (Manganui o Te Ao River)<br/>Order 1988).</li> </ul> |                |                            |  |
|               | This rule does not prevent:<br>(d) the taking and use of water for an individual's<br>reasonable domestic needs and/or the reasonable<br>needs of an individual's animals for drinking water,<br>which are allowed in accordance with s 14(3)(b)<br>RMA provided the taking or use does not, or is not<br>likely to, have an adverse effect on the<br>environment  |                |                            |  |
|               | <ul> <li>(e) the taking and use of water for fire fighting purposes, which are allowed under s 14(3)(e) RMA</li> <li>(f) the renewal of any resource consent to take and use water from the Upper or Middle Rangitikei River that was current at the commencement of the Water Conservation (Rangitikei River) Order 1993.</li> </ul>  |                |                            |  |

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| 15-8<br>Other takes<br>and or <sup>1</sup> uses of<br>water <sup>^</sup> | The taking and <u>or</u> <sup>1</sup> use of surface <i>water</i> <sup>^</sup> or groundwater<br>pursuant to s14( <u>2</u> 4) RMA, <u>which are not regulated by</u><br>any other <i>rules</i> <sup>^</sup> in this Plan or which do not comply with<br>the <i>Permitted Activity</i> <sup>^</sup> or <i>Controlled Activity</i> <sup>^</sup> <i>Rules</i> <sup>^</sup> in<br><u>this Plan except as regulated by any other rule</u> <sup>1</sup> , and the<br>taking and <u>or</u> <sup>1</sup> use of groundwater at a rate exceeding<br>50 m <sup>3</sup> /d per <i>property</i> <sup>*</sup> , except takes for <i>bore</i> <sup>*</sup> or<br>groundwater testing permitted under Rule 15-4. |                |                            |  |

# 15.3 *Rules*<sup>^</sup> – Diversions of *Water*<sup>^</sup> including Drainage

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| 15-9<br>Lawfully<br>established<br>diversions,<br>including<br>existing<br>drainage | <ul> <li>The takeing, diversion and or discharge^ of surface water^ and any associated ancillary<sup>5</sup> damming of water^, or discharge^ of sediment or other contaminants^ in the water^ into water^ or onto or into land^ pursuant to s14(2+) and ss15(1), 15(2) or 15(2A)<sup>1</sup></li> <li>RMA arising from: <ul> <li>(a) a diversion that was lawfully established prior to this <i>R</i>+ule^ becoming operative^, or</li> <li>(b) a diversion that has been lawfully established by way of resource consent^ after the operative^ date of this <i>R</i>+ule^</li> <li>including diversions associated ancillary to with<sup>5</sup> the operation* of existing drainage networks.</li> </ul> </li> <li><i>Rule</i>^ Guide: This <i>R</i>+ule^ means that, once diversions have been lawfully established, including diversions for land^ drainage purposes, their continued operation* is permitted under this <i>R</i>+ule^. No ongoing consent is required for the operation* of existing diversions</li> </ul> | Permitted      | <ul> <li>(a) The diversion or discharge<sup>^</sup> shall must<sup>5</sup> be to the same <u>W</u>water <u>M</u>management <u>Ssub-</u>zone<sup>*1</sup> to which the water<sup>^</sup> would naturally flow, except diversions associated with existing <i>land</i><sup>^</sup> drainage.</li> <li>(b) Effects<sup>^</sup> on <i>land</i><sup>^</sup> instability, erosion risk, flooding and soil resources (including drained peat soils) shall <u>must</u><sup>5</sup> remain the same as or similar in character, intensity and scale to those which existed before this <i>R</i>rule<sup>^</sup> became operative<sup>^</sup>.</li> <li>(c) The diversion shall <u>must</u><sup>5</sup> not prevent the passage of fish in water_bodies<sup>*</sup> containing fish.</li> <li>(d) For diversions lawfully established by way of a resource consent<sup>^</sup>, the diversion shall <u>must</u><sup>5</sup> continue to comply with all conditions<sup>^</sup> of the consent.</li> </ul> |  |

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| Rule <u>^</u><br>15-10<br>New drainage | Activity<br>provided the <i>conditions</i> <sup>^</sup> of this <i>R+ule</i> <sup>^</sup> are met.<br>The take <u>ing</u> , diversion <del>and</del> <u>or</u> <sup>1</sup> <i>discharge</i> <sup>^</sup> of drainage<br><i>water</i> <sup>^</sup> , and any <del>associated</del> <u>ancillary</u> <sup>5</sup> damming of<br><i>water</i> <sup>^</sup> , or <i>discharge</i> <sup>^</sup> of <u>sediment or other</u><br><sup>1</sup> <i>contaminants</i> <sup>^</sup> in the drainage <i>water</i> <sup>^</sup> into <i>water</i> <sup>^</sup> or<br>onto or into <i>land</i> <sup>^</sup> pursuant s14(24) and <u>s</u> s15(1), <u>15(2)</u><br><u>or 15(2A)</u> <sup>1</sup> RMA arising from the establishment and<br><i>operation</i> <sup>*</sup> of new <i>land</i> <sup>^</sup> drainage. | Classification Permitted | <ul> <li>(a) The drainage water shall not be diverted or discharged into any drain or other watercourse that forms part of a flood control or drainage scheme.<sup>41</sup></li> <li>(b) The diversion or <i>discharge</i><u>shall must</u><sup>5</sup> not cause or exacerbate the flooding of any <i>property</i>, unless written approval is obtained from the affected property owner<u></u>or<sup>1</sup> the flooding is in accordance with an approved Regional Council drainage scheme design.</li> <li>(c) The diversion or <i>discharge</i><u>shall must</u><sup>1</sup> not cause any scouring or erosion of any <i>land</i><u>or water_body</u> beyond the point of <i>discharge</i>.</li> <li>(d) The diversion or <i>discharge</i><u>shall must</u><sup>1</sup> not alter the natural course of any natural water_body<u>s</u>.</li> </ul>   |  |
|  |   |                          | <ul> <li>(e) There shall <u>must</u><sup>1</sup> be no diversion or <i>discharge</i><sup>^</sup> to any natural <i>lake</i><sup>^</sup>, <i>rare</i> <u>habitat</u><sup>*</sup>, <del>or</del>-threatened habitat<sup>*</sup> or<sup>5</sup> atrisk habitat<sup>*</sup>, or natural state <u>W</u>water <u>M</u>management <u>Ssubzone</u><sup>*14</sup> with the value of Natural State.<sup>14</sup></li> <li>(f) The activity shall <u>must</u><sup>1</sup> not result in the lowering of water<sup>^</sup> levels in any wetland<sup>^</sup> classified as a rare <u>habitat<sup>*</sup></u> <sup>5</sup>or threatened habitat<sup>*</sup>.</li> <li>(g) The diversion or <i>discharge</i><sup>^</sup> shall <u>must</u> <sup>1</sup> be to the same <u>W</u>water <u>M</u>management <u>Ssub-</u>zone<sup>*14</sup> to which the drainage water<sup>^</sup> would naturally flow.</li> <li>(h) The diversion or <i>discharge</i><sup>^</sup> shall <u>must</u><sup>1</sup> not cause, after reasonable mixing<sup>*</sup>, any of the following effects<sup>^</sup> in the receiving water body<sup>*</sup>:</li> </ul> |  |
|  |   |                          | <ul> <li>(i) the production of conspicuous <i>oil</i><sup>*</sup> or grease films, scums or foams, or floatable or suspended materials</li> <li>(ii) any conspicuous change in the colour or visual clarity of the receiving <i>water</i><sup>^</sup></li> <li>(iii) any emission of objectionable odour</li> </ul>  |  |

<sup>41</sup> Water officers report - recommendation WTR 130.
 <sup>42</sup> Recommendation made by the Historic Heritage officers report.

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|                            |  |                | <ul> <li>(iv) the rendering of <i>freshwater</i><sup>^</sup> unsuitable for consumption by farm animals</li> <li>(v) the natural temperature of the receiving <i>water</i><sup>^</sup> to change by more than 3°C</li> <li>(vi) toxicity to aquatic ecosystems.</li> <li>(i) The diversion or <i>discharge</i><sup>^</sup> shall <u>must</u><sup>1</sup> not, after <i>reasonable mixing</i><sup>*</sup>, cause the dissolved oxygen of the receiving <i>water_body</i><sup>*</sup> to fall below 80% saturation concentration, unless the dissolved oxygen is already below this limit in which case the discharge shall <u>must</u><sup>1</sup> not lower it further.</li> </ul>  |  |
|                            |  |                | (j) The diversion or discharge-activity shall must <sup>1</sup> not be to<br>any archaeological site, waahi tapu or koiwi remains<br><u>historic heritage</u> <sup>^</sup> as identified in any district plan <sup>^</sup> or<br>regional plan <sup>^</sup> schedule or database, or proposed plan <sup>^</sup> .,<br>in the New Zealand Archaeological Association's Site<br>Recording Scheme, or by the Historic Places Trust except<br>where Historic Places Trust approval has been obtained. <sup>42</sup>   |  |
| 15-11<br>New<br>diversions | <ul> <li>The following activities where they are associated with the establishment and operation of a new diversion, except as expressly provided for by other <i>rules</i><sup>^</sup> within this Plan<sup>^</sup>:</li> <li>(a) the take, diversion and discharge of <i>water</i><sup>^</sup> and any associated ancillary<sup>5</sup> damming of <i>water</i><sup>^</sup> pursuant to s14(<u>2</u>+) and s15(1) RMA</li> <li>(b) any associated ancillary <sup>5</sup> discharge of sediment or other <i>contaminants</i><sup>^</sup> in the <i>water</i><sup>^</sup> into <i>water</i><sup>^</sup> or onto or into <u>land</u><sup>^</sup> water<sup>^</sup> pursuant to s15(1) RMA</li> <li>(c) any associated ancillary<sup>5</sup> excavation or disturbance of the a riverbed of a river<sup>^</sup> pursuant to s13(1) and 13(2)<sup>1</sup> RMA.</li> </ul> | Permitted      | <ul> <li>(a) The activity shall <u>must</u><sup>5</sup> involve:</li> <li>(i) a diversion of groundwater</li> <li>(ii) a diversion from or within an <i>artificial watercourse</i>*</li> <li>(iii) a diversion from or within an existing drain that is considered to fall under the RMA definition of "<i>river</i>^", or</li> <li>(iv) a diversion wholly contained within the <i>bed</i>^ of a <i>river</i>^ provided the diversion is no more than two times the <i>bed</i>^ width of the <i>river</i>^ in any 2 km length of <i>river</i>^ in any 12-month period.</li> <li>(b) The activity shall <u>must</u><sup>5</sup> not involve the diversion of <i>water</i>^ associated with new drainage which is regulated under <u>Rule 15-10</u>.<sup>1</sup></li> <li>(c) The diversion shall <u>must</u><sup>5</sup> not be located within 200 m of any <i>wetland</i>^ that is a <i>rare <u>habitat</u>*5 or threatened habitat<sup>*</sup> and shall <u>must</u>5 not lower the <i>water</i>^ level in any <i>wetland</i>^ that is a <i>rare habitat</i>*5 or threatened habitat*.</i></li> </ul> |  |

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|               |          |                | (d) The diversion s-shall <u>must<sup>5</sup></u> hall not increase land <sup>^</sup><br>instability or the risk of erosion.   |  |
|               |          |                | (e) The diversion shall <u>must</u> <sup>5</sup> not cause or contribute to<br>flooding on any other property*.  |  |
|               |          |                | (f) The diversion shall <u>must</u> <sup>5</sup> not adversely affect any lawfully<br>established <u>water<sup>1</sup></u> take which existed at the time that the<br>diversion commenced.   |  |
|               |          |                | (g) The diversion shall <u>must<sup>5</sup></u> not prevent the passage of fish<br>in water_bodies <sup>*</sup> containing fish.   |  |
|               |          |                | (h) The diversion shall must <sup>5</sup> not be undertaken where without<br>the prior written approval of authorities responsible for any<br>infrastructure <sup>^</sup> is <sup>1</sup> located in, on, under or over the bed <sup>^</sup><br>within 1 km upstream or downstream of the diversion. |  |
|               |          |                | (i) Any realigned bed <sup>^</sup> shall <u>must <sup>5</sup></u> have at least the same<br>capacity as the original bed <sup>^</sup> to carry the diverted flow.  |  |
|               |          |                | (j) For diversions of surface water from an artificial<br>watercourse* or drain, the diverted water shall must <sup>5</sup> not<br>cause a reduction in the water quality of any downstream<br>natural water body.   |  |
|               |          |                | (k) Any discharge of sediment <u>ancillary to associated with<sup>5</sup></u> the<br>activity shall <u>must<sup>5</sup></u> not, after <i>reasonable mixing</i> <sup>*</sup> , cause a<br>conspicuous change in the colour or visual clarity of the<br>receiving <i>water</i> <sup>^</sup> .         |  |
|               |          |                | (I) The construction of a new diversion located within a river<br><u>shall must</u> <sup>5</sup> comply with the standard conditions listed in<br>Section 16.2.  |  |

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| 15-12<br>Diversions<br>that do not<br>comply with<br><i>permitted</i><br><u>activity^ or</u><br><del>and<sup>1</sup></del><br>controlled<br>activity <u>^</u><br>rules <u>^</u> | Any diversion pursuant to s14(21) <sup>1</sup> RMA that does not<br>comply with one or more <i>conditions</i> _, standards or<br>terms of a <u>Ppermitted Activity</u> ^1 or <u>C</u> eontrolled <u>Aactivity</u> _<br><i>rule</i> _ in this Plan, but which is not expressly classified<br>as a <u>D</u> eliscretionary <u>Activity</u> ^1, <u>N</u> <del>n</del> on-complying<br><u>Activity</u> ^1_or <u>Pp</u> rohibited <u>Aactivity</u> | Discretionary  |                            |  |

### Rule^ Guide:

Diversions, including drainage, in rare <u>habitats</u><sup>\*</sup>, and<sup>5</sup> threatened habitats<sup>\*</sup> and at-risk habitats<sup>\*</sup> are regulated by Rules 15-5 and 15-6.

# 15.4 *Rules*<sup>^</sup> – *Bore*<sup>\*</sup> Drilling and *Bore*<sup>\*</sup> Sealing

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| 15-13<br>Drilling and<br>bore<br>construction<br><u>The drilling,</u><br><u>construction</u><br>or alteration of<br><u>any bore* and</u><br><u>any ancillary</u><br><u>discharge^ of</u><br><u>water^ or</u> | The drilling, construction or alteration of any <i>bore</i> <sup>*</sup> or<br>hole <u>pursuant to s9(2) RMA</u> that extends below the<br>seasonally highest groundwater level, and any<br><del>associated</del> <u>ancillary</u> discharge of <i>water</i> <sup>^</sup> or<br><i>contaminants</i> <sup>^</sup> <u>pursuant to ss15(1), 15(2) or 15(2A)</u><br><u>RMA</u> . | Restricted<br>discretionary<br>Permitted <sup>43</sup> | <ul> <li>(a) <u>Tthe activity must be undertaken in accordance with</u><br/><u>NZS4411:2001 Environmental Standard for Drilling of Soil</u><br/><u>and Rock</u></li> <li>(b) <u>The Regional Council must be notified at least five working</u><br/><u>days^ prior to commencement of drilling, construction or</u><br/><u>alteration of the <i>bore</i><sup>*</sup> of the proposed:<br/>(i) <u>location of the <i>bore</i><sup>*</sup></u><br/>(ii) <u>diameter of the <i>bore</i><sup>*</sup><br/>(iii) <u>depth of the <i>bore</i><sup>*</sup></u></u></u></li> <li>(c) <u>Records of the drilling, construction or alteration of the</u><br/><u>bore</u><sup>*</sup> shall be kept by the <i>owner</i><sup>^</sup>, including:</li> </ul> | Discretion is restricted to:<br>(a) compliance with the NZS<br>4411:2001 Environmental<br>Standard for Drilling of Soil and<br>Rock<br>(b) bore location, size and depth<br>(c) bore screening<br>(d) backflow prevention<br>(e) information requirements<br>including bore logs, piezometric<br>levels, groundwater tests, and<br>bore construction details |

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| <u>contamin-</u><br><u>ants<sup>^43</sup></u> |   |                | <ul> <li>(i) <u>bore* log</u></li> <li>(ii) <u>piezometric levels</u></li> <li>(iii) <u>groundwater tests</u></li> <li>(iv) <u>bore* construction details.</u></li> <li><u>These records shall be forwarded to the Regional Council</u><br/>within one month of completion of drilling, construction or<br/>alteration of the bore*.<sup>43</sup></li> </ul> | (f) duration of consent<br>(g) review of consent conditions <u></u><br>(h) compliance monitoring.<br>Resource consent applications under<br>this rule will not be notified and<br>written approval of affected persons<br>will not be required (notice of<br>applications need not be served on<br>affected persons). <sup>43</sup> |
| 15-14<br>Unsealed<br><i>bores<u>*</u></i>     | <ul> <li>Pursuant to s14(2) and ss15(1) or 15(2) or 15(2A) RMA</li> <li>Aany bore* that:1</li> <li>(a) is no longer used and is unsealed, or</li> <li>(b) is in use and is constructed in a manner that allows contaminants^ to enter the bore* from the land^ surface, or the wastage of water^ in artesian conditions.</li> </ul> | Prohibited     |  |   |

<sup>43</sup> WTR 134 – 182/79.