

Public Notice under Clause 5 of the First Schedule of the Resource Management Act (1991)

Manawatū-Whanganui (Horizons) Regional Council

Proposed Plan Change 2 to the Horizons One Plan – Existing Intensive Farming Land Uses

Manawatū-Whanganui Regional Council (Horizons) has prepared the following proposed plan change to the Operative Manawatū-Whanganui Region One Plan under Schedule 1 to the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA).

The One Plan is a combined document which comprises both the regional policy statement and regional plan for the Manawatū Whanganui Region. Proposed Plan Change 2 proposes changes to both the regional policy statement and regional plan components of the One Plan.

Proposed Plan Change 2 includes updates to the cumulative nitrogen leaching maximums that apply to intensive farming land uses (i.e. dairy farming, commercial vegetable growing, cropping, and intensive sheep and beef), in responses to updates in the Overseer modelling software. Horizons is also seeking to amend related policies and rules in the One Plan, so as to reinforce good management practices and to provide more policy support for consenting existing intensive farming activities.

In accordance with section 86B(3) of the RMA the proposed plan change rules have immediate legal effect. However, these proposed provisions will need to be considered alongside the existing provisions in the Operative Plan.

Further information regarding Proposed Plan Change 2, including the proposed provisions, Section 32 Report, a submission form, and the implications of Plan Change 2 having immediate legal effect, is [available here](#). Proposed Plan Change 2 is also available for inspection at all public libraries in the region and in the following Horizons offices during hours they are open to the public:

- Regional House Office, 11-15 Victoria Avenue, Palmerston North, open 8am – 5pm Monday to Friday
- Woodville Office, Cnr of Tay and Vogel (SH2) Streets, Woodville, open 8.30am – 12.30pm Monday to Friday
- Marton Office, 19/21 Hammond Street, Marton, open 9am – 3pm Monday to Friday
- Whanganui Office, 181 Guyton Street, Whanganui, open 8am – 4.30pm.

If you have any questions or would like more information about Proposed Plan Change 2, please contact Rebecca Tayler, Policy and Strategy Manager at Rebecca.tayler@horizons.govt.nz, or 0508 800 800.

The Council invites submissions on Proposed Plan Change 2. The period for submissions closes on Monday 21st October 2019.

The following persons may make a submission on Proposed Plan Change 2:

- 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 make a submission 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 can make a written or electronic submission to Horizons in any of the following ways:

- Use the [online submission form here](#);
- Deliver your submission to the Horizons offices at 11-15 Victoria Avenue, Palmerston North;
- Email your submission to submissions@horizons.govt.nz; or
- Post your submission to Private Bag 11025 Manawatū Mail Centre, Palmerston North 4442.

Submissions must be in the format outlined in the Resource Management Act (Regulations) Form 5, and must state whether or not you to be heard in relation to your submission. You can [access forms that follow this format from here](#) or obtain them from any library or Horizons office. Submissions that are lodged by way of the online form or by email do not require a signature.

The process for public participation in the consideration of the proposal under the RMA is as follows:

- after the closing date for submissions, Horizons must prepare a summary of decisions requested by submitters and give public notice of the availability of this summary and where the summary and 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
- Horizons 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 its decision within 2 years of notifying the proposal 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 proposal 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
 - in the case of a proposal that is a proposed policy statement or plan, the appeal does not seek the withdrawal of the proposal as a whole.

Michael McCartney
CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Signed for and on behalf of the



MANAWATŪ-WHANGANUI REGIONAL COUNCIL

*Electronic address for service of local authority: submissions@horizons.govt.nz

*Telephone: 0508 800 800

*Postal address (or alternative method of service under section 352 of the Act): Horizons Regional Council, Private Bag 11025, Palmerston North 4442

*Contact person: Rebecca Tayler, Policy and Strategy Manager Rebecca.tayler@horizons.govt.nz, 0508 800 800.



For more information visit www.horizons.govt.nz
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