

**Before the Environment Court
At Wellington
I Mua I te Kōti Taiao
Te Whanganui-a-Tara Rohe**

ENV-2019-346-103

Under Clause 14, Schedule 1 of the Resource Management Act
1991

In the matter of appeals on the Proposed Natural Resources Plan

Between **Various**
Appellants
ENV-2019-000103, 105-133

And **Wellington Regional Council**
Respondent

**Memorandum of counsel on behalf of Wellington Regional Council:
Mediation scheduling - updated timetable**

Date: 11 September 2020



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- 1 The purpose of this memorandum of counsel is to explain the updated timetable being provided with this memorandum.
- 2 At the Court's request, mediation previously scheduled to occur next week has been deferred by one week. The updated timetable shows that change and consequential changes to the balance of the timetable.
- 3 To ensure topics were not split across break weeks some re-ordering of topics was required. In summary, the changes are as follows:
 - 3.1 No mediation on Friday 2 October to ensure Topic 29 does not straddle a break week.
 - 3.2 A new mediation day has been added on Friday 30 October. This was previously a mediation free day due to a Commissioner travelling from out of town and the Court's direction to keep Fridays free as a result. The Council would prefer this day be added to the schedule. The mediation days would still be limited to 3 that week
 - 3.3 Topic 41 has been shifted to occur before Topics 42 to 44.
 - 3.4 Topic 43 has been shifted to occur before Topic 41.
 - 3.5 Topic 35 has been shifted to occur before Topic 33. This splits the water quality topics but groups together the wastewater topics.
 - 3.6 The previously planned break weeks have been retained.
 - 3.7 A new mediation week in mid-December has been added.
- 4 An amended timetable is included as **Appendix 1**.

5 In addition to this new proposed timetable, following further consideration of the relevant appeals, the Council has considered it appropriate to move some provisions between topics. Primarily this relates to provisions from Topic 34 being shifted to related topics, and Topic 34 split into two topics - 34a and 34b. There are several other additional amendments. These amendments are shown in **Appendix 2** to this memorandum.

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