

**IN THE MATTER**

of the Resource Management Act  
1991

**AND**

**IN THE MATTER**

of the Proposed Natural Resources  
Plan for the Wellington Region

**MINUTE # 23**

**MEMORANDUM IN RELATION TO THE FINAL JOINT WITNESS STATEMENT - HYDROLOGICAL AND  
PLANNING FOR THE LOWER RUAMAHANGA GROUNDWATER ZONE**

**Hearing Stream 3**

1. In response to a request issued by the Panel at the reconvened hearing held in Wellington on 21 November 2017, the hydrological and planning expert witnesses undertook conferencing in respect to *Water Allocation – Lower Ruamahanga Groundwater Zone* for Hearing Stream 3.
2. On Thursday, 30 November 2017, the Hearing Panel received the finalised Joint Witness Statement (JWS-hydrological and planning) from that conferencing. The final JWS is available to all hearing participants via the website.
3. The JWS-hydrological and planning detailed the agreements reached for the following PNRP provisions:
  - a) Table 4.1;
  - b) the reclassification schedule; and
  - c) allocation amounts.
4. The expert witness conferencing consisted of:

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| Lindsay Daysh and Jon Williamson | AJ Barton, AJ Barton and Ongaha Farms Ltd, Wairarapa Water Users Society Inc |
| Paula Hammond and Mike Thompson  | Greater Wellington Regional Council  |
| Mark Gyopari and Brydon Hughes   | Consultants for Greater Wellington Regional Council                          |
5. Due to the participants of the conferencing agreeing and detailing this in the JWS, the Panel consider that there is no need for them to attend the hearing that is set down for 14 December 2017.
6. The Panel wish to record their appreciation of the participants' willingness to partake in the conferencing and the practical approach they adopted resulting in the agreed JWS.



Mark St. Clair

Panel Chair

Date: 1 December 2017