

**BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENT COURT AT WELLINGTON  
I MUA I TE KOOTI TAIAO O AOTEAROA  
TE WHANGANUI A TARA ROHE**

**ENV-2019-WLG-000119**

**IN THE MATTER** of the Resource  
Management Act 1991  
(the Act)

**AND**

**IN THE MATTER** of an appeal pursuant to  
clause 14 of Schedule 1  
to the Act in relation to  
the Proposed Natural  
Resources Plan for the  
Wellington Region

**BETWEEN** **WELLINGTON CITY  
COUNCIL**

**Appellant**

**AND** **WELLINGTON  
REGIONAL COUNCIL**

**Respondent**

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**NOTICE OF PORIRUA CITY COUNCIL'S INTENTION TO BECOME A PARTY  
TO PROCEEDINGS**

**9 October 2019**

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## NOTICE OF PERSON'S WISH TO BE PARTY TO PROCEEDINGS

*Section 274, Resource Management Act 1991*

**To:** The Registrar  
Environment Court  
Wellington

1. Porirua City Council (**the Council**) wishes to be a party to the following proceedings, being an appeal regarding the Proposed Natural Resources Plan (**Proposed Plan**) for the Wellington Region.

ENV-2019-WLG-000119: *Wellington City Council v Wellington Regional Council*

2. The Council is a local authority (section 274(1)(b) of the Resource Management Act 1991 (**RMA**)).
3. The Council is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the RMA.
4. The Council is interested in all of the proceedings.
5. The Council supports the relief sought by Wellington City Council because:
  - (a) It considers that it would be appropriate for Policy 102 to be amended to include an additional exclusion i.e. to enable reclamation and drainage of beds of lakes, rivers and natural wetlands to enable the development, operation, maintenance and upgrade of local authorities' infrastructure;
  - (b) Alternatively, the Council considers that it would be appropriate for the definition of "regionally significant infrastructure" to be extended to include infrastructure built, maintained and operated by local authorities;
  - (c) The Council considers that the relief sought by Wellington City Council appropriately recognises and provides for the operation, maintenance and upgrade of infrastructure. In particular, the relief sought will go some way to ensuring that existing and future infrastructure is not unjustifiably constrained; and

(d) The matters in the appeal align with the appeal by the Council (ENV-2019-WLG-000116: *Porirua City Council v Wellington Regional Council*) and the submissions which the Council made on the Proposed Plan.

6. The Council agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.

**DATED** this 9<sup>th</sup> day of October 2019



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