

**In the Environment Court  
I MUA TE KOOTI TAIAO O AOTEAROA**

**ENV-2019-WLG-000125**

**In the matter**

**Of the Resource Management  
Act 1991**

**And**

**In the matter**

**Of an appeal under clause 14(1)  
of Schedule 1 to the Act**

**Between**

**Rangitāne o Wairarapa Inc  
Appellant**

**And**

**Wellington Regional Council  
Respondent**

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**Notice of Person's Wish to be Party to Proceedings  
Dated: 9 October 2019**

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**To: The Registrar  
Environment Court  
Wellington  
By email**

**South Wairarapa District Council (SWDC) wishes to be a party to the following proceedings:**

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Regional Council***

- 1. SWDC is a local authority and as such is a person who has an interest in the proceedings that is greater than the interest that the general public has. SWDC made a submission and/or further submission about the subject matter of the proceedings.**
- 2. SWDC is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the Resource Management Act 1991.**
- 3. SWDC is interested in the following parts of these proceedings:**

***Objective O13: Protecting regionally significant infrastructure***

- 3.1 SWDC supports the relief sought by the appellant in part and subject to suitable amendments to Objective O13 being agreed.

*Objective O24: Contact recreation and Māori customary use*

- 3.2 SWDC opposes the relief sought by the appellant in relation to O24 in part on the basis that it is unduly restrictive to require all water bodies to meet the contact recreation outcomes. SWDC is concerned that the relief sought will lead to or promote the management of all water bodies to meet certain outcomes, even where the waterbody is not associated with identified values.

*Objective O25: Aquatic ecosystem health and mahinga kai*

- 3.3 SWDC opposes the relief sought by the appellant in relation to O25 in part on the basis that the definition of mahinga kai requires amendment to provide absolute certainty for plan users before outcomes for mahinga kai species can be included.

*Objectives O31, 32, 33, 34, 35, 36 and 38*

- 3.4 SWDC opposes the relief sought by the appellant in part and seeks that any amendment to these objectives clearly identifies that the proactive requirements of these provisions only relate to identified features and matters determined to be of value within the relevant schedule.

*Objective O50 - Discharges of wastewater containing human effluent*

- 3.5 SWDC opposes the proposed 2030 phase-out date on the basis that the proposed phase out is onerous and unduly restrictive.

*Policy P68 - Inappropriate discharges to water*

- 3.6 SWDC opposes the appellant's request that Policy P68 be amended to require avoidance of all wet weather overflows.

*Policy P102 - Reclamation drainage of the beds of lakes and rivers and Policy P103 - Management of gravel extraction*

- 3.7 SWDC opposes the appellant's request that reference to Schedule B, D, E and F rivers and lakes be added to Policies P102 and P103. The proposed amendments are onerous and unduly restrictive in the circumstances.
4. Whilst SWDC is in general accord with Rangitāne, it is joining as a s274 party to this appeal to enable it to contribute to the mediation process and to express its concerns around the economic impact of some of the Objectives in the PNRP.
5. SWDC agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.

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**Date: 9 October 2019**

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