

**BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENT COURT
AT WELLINGTON**

ENV-2019-WGN-000116

UNDER

the Resource Management Act 1991

IN THE MATTER OF

an appeal under clause 14(1) of Schedule 1 of the Act in relation to the Proposed Natural Resources Plan for the Wellington Region

BETWEEN

PORIRUA CITY COUNCIL

Appellant

AND

WELLINGTON REGIONAL COUNCIL

Respondent

NOTICE OF PERSON'S WISH TO BE PARTY TO PROCEEDINGS



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Section 274, Resource Management Act 1991

To: **The Registrar**
Environment Court
Wellington

1. Federated Farmers of New Zealand Inc (**FFNZ**) wishes to be a party to proceedings with Environment Court reference ENV-2019-WGN-000116 (**Proceedings**) in the appeal by Porirua City Council against decisions of Wellington Regional Council (Council) on the Proposed Natural Resources Plan (pNRP) for the Wellington Region.
2. FFNZ made a submission and further submissions on the pNRP.
3. FFNZ has an interest in the proceedings that is greater than the interest that the general public has:
 - 3.1 The subject matter of the appeal is a matter of interest to farmers who rely on natural and physical resources in the region in making their livelihoods.
 - 3.2 There is a potential for farmers in the region to be directly impacted by the terms of the appeal.
 - 3.3 FFNZ is a representative body for farmers, so it is in an appropriate position to represent the interests of farmers who may be impacted by the terms of the appeal.
4. FFNZ is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the Resource Management Act 1991.
5. FFNZ is interested in all the proceedings.
6. FFNZ supports *or* opposes *or* conditionally opposes the relief sought as follows—

- 6.1 **Rule 100 and definition of vegetation clearance** - FFNZ opposes the relief sought by the Appellant on the **definition of vegetation clearance**, seeking the deletion of “woody”; and relief sought on **R100**, seeking the deletion of “on erosion prone land”. These amendments would inappropriately broaden the application of the rules.
- 6.2 **Policy 7 and new policy** - FFNZ supports the relief sought for the reinstatement of P7 – uses of land and water, and conditionally supports the relief sought for a new policy in section 4.2. The pNRP should adequately acknowledge use and development in both urban and rural settings.
- 6.3 **Rule 48** - FFNZ supports the relief sought on R48 stormwater from an individual property, for the reason set out by the Appellant in its notice of appeal.
7. FFNZ agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.



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