

IN THE MATTER

of the Resource Management Act
1991

AND

IN THE MATTER

of the Proposed Natural Resources
Plan for the Wellington Region

MINUTE # 30

MEMORANDUM GRANTING LEAVE TO FILE SECTION 42A REPORTS LATE FROM

GREATER WELLINGTON REGIONAL COUNCIL

Hearing Stream 5

1. The Hearing Panel, on Monday, 5 March 2018, received a request seeking leave to an extension of time in which to file the Section 42A Reports in relation to the Beds of lakes and rivers, Wetlands and biodiversity, and Discharges to land topics for Hearing Stream 5, from Greater Wellington Regional Council (GWRC).
2. The memorandum from Counsel for GWRC, sought a three working day delay to file Section 42A Reports for Hearing Stream 5; those reports being due at 5pm on Wednesday, 7 March 2018.
3. The reason for the request in the delay in filing of the Section 42A Reports for Hearing Stream 5 relates to the significance of the issues, the volume of submissions and the staff preparing the reports, being involved in other hearings.
4. The request sought is an extension for the filing of the Section 42A reports until Monday, 12 March 2018. The request also seeks the extension of the filing of expert evidence from submitters from Wednesday, 21 March 2018 to Monday, 26 March 2018.
5. Having considered the matter, the Panel grants the request. While submitters are affected by the extension, the same extension sought by the Council is also sought for submitters' expert evidence. In addition, the hearing date for Hearing Stream 5, 9 April 2018, remains unchanged. The Panel do not consider that any party is unduly disadvantaged by granting the request.
6. Section 42A Reports for Hearing Stream 5 are now due at 5pm on Monday, 12 March 2018. In addition, any expert evidence on behalf of submitters is now due at 5pm on Monday, 26 March 2018.



Mark St. Clair

Panel Chair

Date: 5 March 2018