

In the Environment Court
I MUA TE KOOTI TAIAO O AOTEAROA

ENV-2019-WLG-000106

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

Minister of Conservation
Appellant

And

Wellington Regional Council
Respondent

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

To: The Registrar
Environment Court
Wellington
By email

Masterton District Council (MDC) wishes to be a party to the following proceedings:

ENV-2019-WLG-000106 *Minister of Conversation v Wellington Regional Council*

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

Water Quality

Objective 25 - Aquatic ecosystem health and mahinga kai

- 3.1 MDC opposes the relief sought by the appellant in part.
- 3.2 MDC considers that “mahinga kai” should either be removed from Objective 25 (and tables 3.4 and 3.7) or its definition amended to provide absolute certainty for plan users. Freshwater objectives should seek to maintain the current state where appropriate.

Land use in riparian margins and stock access to surface water bodies and the CMA

Rule R97: Livestock access to a surface water body or the coastal marine area - permitted activity

- 3.3 MDC opposes the appellant’s request that sheep be excluded from access to significant natural wetlands.
- 3.4 The relief sought is unduly restrictive and unnecessary.
4. MDC agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.



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