

FILE NOTE

DATE	1 November 2022
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SUBJECT	Grant of Waiver for late submissions received on the Proposed Regional Policy Statement Plan Change 1

Waiver under section 37(1)(b) of the Resource Management Act 1991

The Manager, Environmental Policy, Wellington Regional Council, acting under authority delegated by the Wellington Regional Council, grants a waiver under section 37(1)(b) of the Resource Management Act, for submissions received from any person or organisation between 5:00pm 14 October 2022 and 31 October 2022.

Reasons for waiver:

To enable the submissions lodged after the close of the submission period to be accepted, the Wellington Regional Council has given consideration to the following matters, as required by section 37A(1) of the Act:

a) The interests of any person who the Council considers may be directly affected by the waiver

The persons directly affected by the waiver are those who wish to lodge a submission after the submissions period is closed. The waiver will positively affect the interests of these persons. In addition no person will be prejudiced by the waiver; as there will be no impact on timeframes as Council has not yet notified the summary of decisions requested.

Section 37A(6) of the Act requires every person who is directly affected by the waiver to be notified. In this instance, any person or organisation that lodged a submission up until (and including) 31 October 2022 will be notified in writing of the waiver.

In addition, a notice will be placed on the Council's website advising the public of this waiver.

b) The interests of the community in achieving adequate assessment of the effects of the proposed regional policy statement change

The Wellington Regional Council considers that the inclusion of submissions received after the closing date could contribute to the quality of the Schedule 1 Proposed Regional Policy Statement Change process.

c) The Wellington Regional Council's duty under section 21 of the Act to avoid unreasonable delay

The Wellington Regional Council does not consider there will be a delay arising from granting this waiver, as other submissions will be able to be entered and summarised during the period.



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