

Chairperson and Members
REGULATORY MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

22 OCTOBER 2015

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Purpose of Report: For Information

OCTOBER UPDATE ON THE PROPOSED DISTRICT PLAN

PURPOSE OF REPORT

- 1 This report summarises activities carried out since the last update provided to the Regulatory Management Committee on 3 September 2015.

DELEGATION

- 2 This report is for information purposes and does not seek a decision.

BACKGROUND

- 3 On 24 July 2014, the Council chose Option 4 recommended by the Independent Review of the Proposed District Plan (PDP). This option continues with a modified PDP process which addresses the Plan as a whole using the 'basket of tools' available to the Council.

ENGAGEMENT ACTIVITIES

- 4 The following table lists the external engagement activities that have taken place since the last update which recorded activities up to 13 August 2015.

Date	Who	Chapter / topic
18 August	Federated Farmers	3 - Natural environment
19 August	Submitter	5 - Living zones
19 August	Rural submitter	3 - Natural environment
19 August	Rural submitter	7- Rural zones
19 August	Kāpiti Coast Airport	6 - Working zones
20 August	Federated Farmers	7- Rural zones
25 August	Coastlands Shoppingtown Ltd	2 - Objectives 6 - Working zones 9 - Hazards
25 August	Department of Conservation	3 - Natural environment
27 August	Our Lady of Kāpiti	5 - Living zones 6 - Working zones 9 - Hazards
28 August	Coastlands Shoppingtown Ltd	11 - Infrastructure
31 August	New Zealand Transport Agency	11 - Infrastructure 12 - General provisions

Date	Who	Chapter / topic
1 September	Ballinger Industries	6 - Working zones
2 September	Waikanae Golf Club	10 - Historic heritage
3 September	KiwiRail	5 - Living zones 10 - Historic heritage 12 - General provisions
4 September	Department of Conservation and Ngāti Toa	3 - Natural environment
9 September	Department of Conservation	2 - Objectives 3 - Natural environment 7- Rural zones
9 September	Greater Wellington Regional Council	3 - Natural environment
9 September	Forest & Bird	General matters
10 September	Maypole Environmental Ltd	5 - Living zones 7- Rural zones 10 - Historic heritage
11 September	Submitter	10 - Historic heritage
15 September	Chorus Ltd	11 - Infrastructure
15 September	Spark Ltd	11 - Infrastructure
15 September	NZ Police	11 - Infrastructure
16 September	Submitter	5 - Living zones 6 - Working zones
16 September	Prehearing meeting - mapping of Hill Country landscapes	3 - Natural environment
21 September	Waikanae Christian Holiday Park	10 - Historic heritage
22 September	Department of Conservation	1 - Introduction & interpretations 2 - Objectives 3 - Natural environment 7- Rural environment
23 September	Rural submitters	3 - Natural environment

- 5 Figure 1 below shows the number of submitter meetings per chapter that have occurred, or are scheduled to occur, since the release of the SEV on 15 June 2015. Some meetings cover more than one chapter.

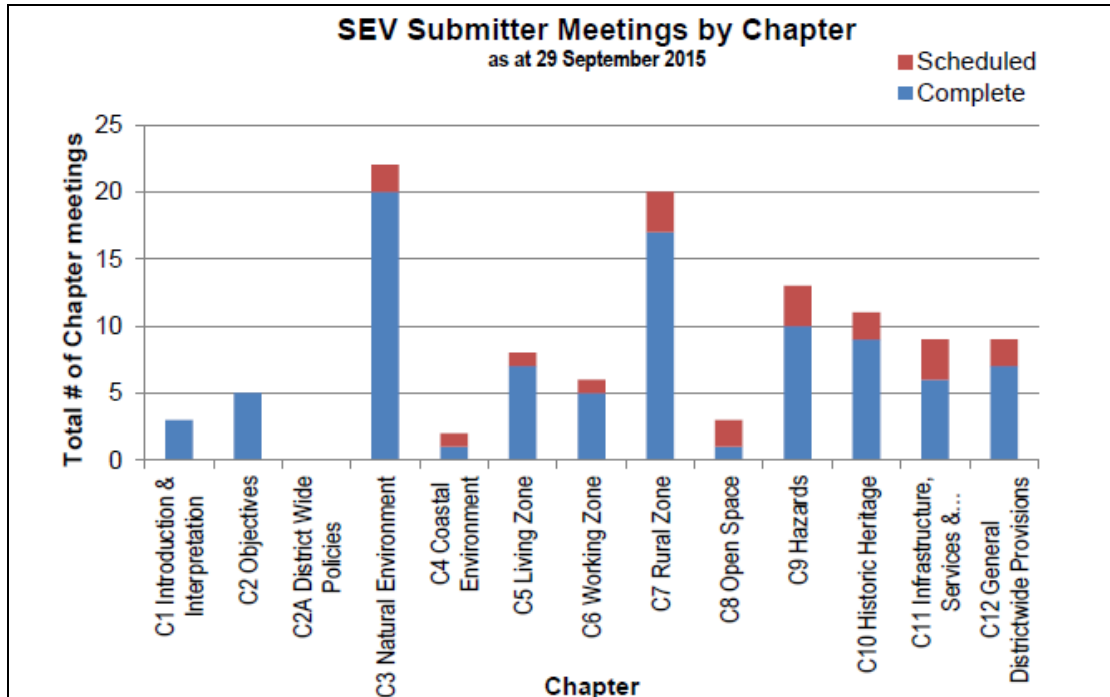


Figure 1

6 Figure 2 below shows the total number of submitter meetings that have occurred per month since the release of the SEV.

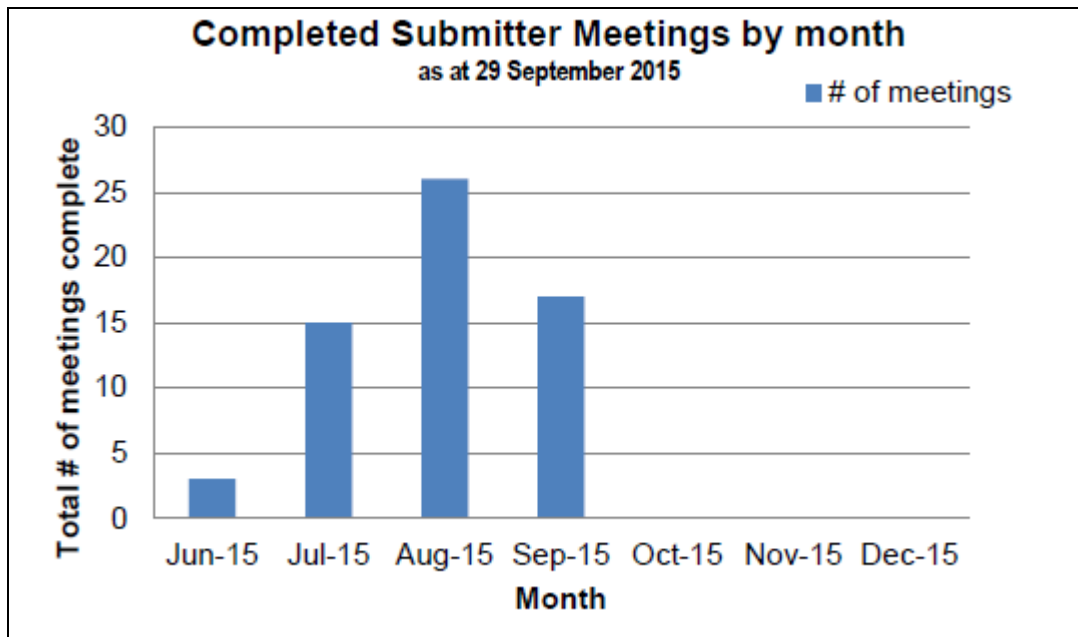


Figure 2

OTHER ACTIVITIES

- 7 Other activities undertaken by the PDP team since the last update include:
- Notification of the Proposed Urban Tree Variation on 2 September, with a submission closing date of 30 October.

- Lodgement of a council submission to the GWRC Proposed Natural Resources Plan in accordance with the resolution of the Environment and Community Development Committee.

CONSIDERATIONS

Policy considerations

- 8 There are no policy considerations that need to be referenced.

Legal considerations

- 9 There are no legal considerations that need to be referenced. Simpson Grierson provided legal input into the preparation of the Submitter Engagement Version of the PDP and will continue to do so as required.

Financial considerations

- 10 Costs are within budget for the 2015/16 financial year.

Implementation plan update

- 11 The implementation plan is appended as Attachment 1.

Tāngata whenua considerations

- 12 The PDP team provided a report for discussion at the 4 September meeting of the co-management partners of Kāpiti Island comprising the Department of Conservation and Ngāti Toa. The report updated the co-management partners on the provisions in the PDP that are relevant to Kapiti Island. The report summarised the provisions and maps that were notified in the PDP relevant to Kapiti Island, and outlined the proposed changes arising from the analysis of submissions.
- 13 At its meeting on 25 August, Te Whakaminenga O Kapiti appointed Te Ohu Taiao to provide iwi input into the PDP. Te Ohu Taiao held workshops with members of the PDP team on September 15, 28 and 29; and October 1 and 2. The main agenda items covered in these workshops were:
- Processes and protocols for Te Ohu Taiao
 - Council's draft submission to the GWRC Proposed Natural Resources Plan
 - Waahi tapu sites and rules in Chapter 10 Historic Heritage
 - Chapter 2 Objectives
 - The Urban Trees Variation.
- 14 Te Ohu Taiao members attended the prehearing meeting on Hill Country landscapes on 16 September as observers.
- 15 Te Ohu Taiao will continue to meet to provide iwi input into the PDP.

SIGNIFICANCE AND ENGAGEMENT

Degree of significance

16 The PDP is now in the statutory phase between the close of submissions and the commencement of hearings. As the PDP process has already been adopted by the Council this report has a low degree of significance.

Engagement

17 The PDP implementation plan (refer to Attachment 1) provides for additional submitter engagement and prehearing meetings which are not required under the RMA. The submitter engagement phase is specifically identified in the implementation plan and runs until March 2016. Submitters who wish to provide written feedback to the Submitter Engagement Version were encouraged to do so by the end of September 2015.

Publicity and communications

18 There is a Communications Plan for the PDP. In line with this, Edition 10 of the PDP Update Newsletter was provided to submitters on 10 September. The update included the following:

- A reminder about the opportunity for submitter meetings
- Advice of an open day planned for October for submitters on the topic of ecological sites
- Information about the Urban Tree Variation
- Advice of the leadership change in the Proposed District Plan team
- An outline of the next steps in the PDP process.

RECOMMENDATIONS

19 That the Regulatory Management Committee notes report SP-15-1725.

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ATTACHMENT

Appendix 1 PDP Implementation Plan

