

BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENT COURT
WELLINGTON

ENV-2018-WLG-012

IN THE MATTER

of an appeal under
Clause 14 of the First
Schedule of the
Resource Management
Act 1991

BETWEEN

Federated Farmers of
New Zealand
Appellant

AND

Kapiti Coast District
Council
Respondent

NOTICE OF INTENTION BY THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF
CONSERVATION TO BE A PARTY TO PROCEEDINGS
Dated: 16 February 2018

Department of Conservation

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Notice of person's wish to be party to proceedings
Section 274, Resource Management Act 1991

To The Registrar
 Environment Court
 P O Box 5027
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1. I, Lewis Sanson, Director-General, Department of Conservation, wish to be a party to the following proceedings:

ENV-2018-WLG-012 dated 25 January 2018 being an appeal by **Federated Farmers of New Zealand** on the decisions of Kapiti Coast District Council in relation to the proposed Kapiti Coast District Plan.

2. I am a person who made a submission in the previous proceedings on the same matter.
3. I am not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the Resource Management Act 1991.
4. I am interested in all of the proceedings.
5. I am interested in the following particular issues:
- 5.1. Earthworks
 - 5.2. Rules relating to farming activities and indigenous vegetation clearance
 - 5.3. Special amenity areas
 - 5.4. Buildings in Outstanding Natural Landscapes
 - 5.5. Forestry
6. I conditionally oppose the relief sought for the following reasons:
- 6.1. Removing rules and enabling farming and farming activities is likely to hinder the ability of the Council to manage adverse effects on the values present, unless an assessment has been undertaken to determine that the rules are no longer required. DOC is not aware of such an assessment being completed. These rules acknowledge the presence of values and enable their protection.
 - 6.2. The removal of overlays and definitions which assist plan users and decision makers understanding of values is likely to hinder the ability of the Council to manage adverse effects on these values.
 - 6.3. In addition, activity specific exemptions do not support the effects-based approach of the RMA.
7. I agree to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.



Reg Kemper
Director, Lower North Island

Acting pursuant to delegated authority on behalf of the Director-General of Conservation

16 February 2017

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