

Kapiti Coast District Council

Proposed District Plan

Chapter 4 – Coastal Environment

Submission of Frank and Vicki Boffa (Submitter 485)

1. As we will be overseas and have not had the opportunity to comment on the Chapter 4, Section 42A Report, nor will we be able to speak to our submission at the Hearing, we would like to confirm our position with respect to the Chapter 4 matters we submitted on.
2. In our 1 March 2012 submission we commented on the following matters:
 - a) The inland extent and definition of the Coastal Environment (CE).
 - b) The classification of Kapiti Island.
 - c) Seascape considerations (as noted in NZCPS 2010, Policy 15).
3. The matters outlined above were fully addressed at the Pre Hearing Meetings on 25 November 2014 and again on 27 March 2015.
4. With regard to the inland extent and definition of the CE, we understand this matter has largely been resolved (subject to confirmation from the Department of Conservation). At the 27 March 2015 Pre Hearing Meeting a revised inland CE boundary, considerably closer to the coast was generally agreed upon as being a more appropriate inland boundary.
5. Draft maps (December 2015) showing the revised CE boundary along with areas of High and Outstanding Natural Character within the CE were circulated by Council's Consultants (Isthmus Group) for comment.
6. On the basis that the Section 42A Report essentially confirms the December 2015 inland boundary of the CE we confirm our agreement and support for this revision to the District wide extent and definition of the CE.

7. With regard to Kapiti Island, we understand matters relating to its classification as an ONL and/or ONC (Outstanding Natural Character) have been resolved following the Pre Hearing Meetings. Accordingly, we accept the classifications now proposed.
8. With regard to Seascape matters we raised in our submission, we acknowledge that this matter was discussed at the Pre Hearing Meetings. While no specific resolution was reached on this matter we acknowledge that Seascape, being largely in the Coastal Marine Area (CMA), is perhaps more appropriately a Regional Council matter. We accept that this aspect, while related to the terrestrial coastal environment and natural character, is a jurisdictional matter which needs clarification and cooperation between the two Councils. Having raised the matter and having the opportunity of discussing this at the Pre-Hearing Meetings we have no further issues with respect to the PDP.
9. In conclusion, and subject to confirmation in the Section 42A Report on the matters raised in our Submission on Chapter 4, the matters raised in our original submission have been met.

Frank and Vicki Boffa

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