



Submission on proposed Regional Policy Statement for the Wellington region, 2009

Pursuant to Clause 6 of the first Schedule and Section 79 of the Resource Management Act 1991

Submission can be:

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Reserves Subcommittee.

Submission

1. The specific parts of the proposed Regional Policy Statement that my submission relates to are as follows:

- .Policies & methods.....
- .Appendices.....
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(Clearly indicate which parts of the document you support or oppose, or wish to have amendments made to. Please continue on separate sheet(s), if necessary)

2. My submission is that:

- Objective 3 (page 21): reinstate 'scientific' in the list of values to be protected -- it needs to be in the list to cover the 'natural science' content of Policies 24, 25 and 26 plus covering the needs of "new" scientific disciplines. for example the protection of sites (such as the Otaki Beach Ridges) with the potential to provide a high value Holocene storm-surge record.
- Policy 20 (page 91): correct reference (Method 22; not 20):
- Policy 22 (page 92): for conformity with Policy 20; add "...and; having determined that the ecosystem or habitat makes an important contribution, meets ..." to the first sentence. Add some appropriate text referring readers to Method 23.
- Policies 24 & 26 (pages 93-95): Except for their first sentences, these two policies are almost word identical and need to either be merged into one policy or more adequately differentiated into 'outstanding' and 'significant' (or 'regional' and 'local') policies respectively. My preference is for these two policies to be separated out into a 'natural science' policy and an 'others' (amenity, aesthetics etc.) policy.
- Policy 24 (page 94): add some appropriate text referring readers to Method 24; correct reference (Method 48, not 49):
- Policy 26 (page 95): add some appropriate text referring readers to Method 24.
- Policy 28 (page 96): add some appropriate text referring readers to Method 49.
- Appendices (page 157): Add walking; biking; horse riding & boating activities to the Waikanae River entry:

(State the reasons for you submission. Please continue on separate sheet(s), if necessary)

I wish Greater Wellington to make the following decision:

- To accept in full the suggestions made above:

(Give precise details. Please continue on separate sheet(s), if necessary)

Please tick applicable box(es)

- I do wish to be heard in support of my submission (This means that you wish to speak at the hearing)
- I do not wish to be heard in support of my submission (This means you have elected not to speak at the hearing)
- If others make a similar submission, I will consider presenting a joint case with them at a hearing

Signature: Tony Edwards
(Person making submission, or person authorised to sign on behalf of person making submission)

Date: 08/06/09