

# Public Notice

## Public notice of proposed combined regional policy statement and regional plan (including the regional coastal plan) named the 'One Plan'

### Clause 5 of First Schedule, Resource Management Act 1991

The Manawatu-Wanganui Regional Council (Horizons Regional Council) has prepared the following proposed combined regional policy statement and regional plan (including the regional coastal plan) named the 'One Plan'.

#### What is the One Plan?

The One Plan is a new regional resources plan which will replace the current regional policy statement and six regional plans.

#### Where can I see it?

The proposed One Plan may be inspected or obtained at the following places during normal opening hours:

- Horizons Regional Council, Regional House Palmerston North, 11 Victoria Ave, Palmerston North 4442
- Horizons Regional Council, Regional House Wanganui, 181 Guyton Street, Wanganui 4540

The Proposed One Plan is also available online at our website [www.horizons.govt.nz](http://www.horizons.govt.nz)

Please contact Horizons Regional Council on 0508 800 800 if you have any questions about the proposed One Plan.

#### How can I make a submission?

Any person may make a submission on the proposed One Plan. You may do so by sending a written submission to Horizons Regional Council, Private Bag 11025, Manawatu Mail Centre, Palmerston North 4442 or by email to [oneplan@horizons.govt.nz](mailto:oneplan@horizons.govt.nz). The submission must be in form 5 and must state whether you wish to be heard on your submission. Copies of this submission form are available from Horizons Regional Council either by visiting [www.horizons.govt.nz](http://www.horizons.govt.nz), the above listed offices or contacting Horizons on 0508 800 800.

**Submissions close on Friday 31 August at 5pm.**

#### What is the process?

The process for public participation in the consideration of the proposal under the Resource Management Act 1991 is as follows:

- after the closing date for submissions, Horizons Regional Council must prepare a summary of the submissions and this summary must be publicly notified; and
- there must be an opportunity to make a further submission in support of, or in opposition to, the submissions already made; and
- if a person making a submission asks to be heard in support of his or her submission, a hearing must be held; and
- Horizons Regional Council must give its decision on the proposal (including its reasons for accepting or rejecting submissions); and
- any person who has made a submission has the right to appeal the decision on the proposal to the Environment Court.



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31 May 2007

#### Address for service:

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# The Proposed One Plan's Big Four Issues

The Proposed One Plan targets four critical environmental issues that have been identified by our community as being priority areas for improvement. The 'BIG FOUR' are addressed with the new policy approaches and rules in the Proposed One Plan, and include:



## Water Demand

**The problem:** Our demand for finite ground and surface water resources is growing, and in places demand exceeds supply.



## Threatened Habitats

**The problem:** Our Region has lost much of its native habitat and our precious remnants are under threat from land development and pests.



## Hill Country Land Use

**The problem:** Unsustainable land use practices damage soils, accelerate erosion, muddy waterways, increase siltation, and reduce the protection levels of flood control schemes.



## Water Quality

**The problem:** Many lakes and rivers in the Region have declined to a point where it is risky to swim or gather food, and aquatic life is being damaged.

## Want to discuss these issues or anything else in the proposed One Plan?

Please contact us on freephone 0508 800 800, or at [oneplan@horizons.govt.nz](mailto:oneplan@horizons.govt.nz). The One Plan team will be happy to meet with you or your group to discuss the proposed One Plan and help clarify any issues you might have. Also check our website for details of regular public meetings - [www.horizons.govt.nz](http://www.horizons.govt.nz).

