

**IN THE ENVIRONMENT COURT
AUCKLAND**

ENV-2020-AKL-000090

**I MUA I TE KOOTI TAIAO
I TĀMAKI MAKĀURAU ROHE**

IN THE MATTER of the Resource Management Act 1991 ("**RMA**")

AND

IN THE MATTER of section 274 of the RMA

BETWEEN

WAIKATO RIVER AUTHORITY

Appellant

AND

WAIKATO REGIONAL COUNCIL

Respondent

**NOTICE OF FONTERRA CO-OPERATIVE GROUP LIMITED'S
INTENTION TO BE A PARTY TO PROCEEDINGS**

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TO: The Registrar
Environment Court
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FONTERRA CO-OPERATIVE GROUP LTD ("Fonterra") wishes to be a party to an appeal by the Waikato River Authority against the decision of the Waikato Regional Council ("**Council**") on Proposed Plan Change 1 to the Waikato Regional Plan ("**PC 1**").

Nature of interest

1. Fonterra made a submission about the subject matter of these proceedings.
2. Fonterra is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the RMA.

Extent of interest

3. Fonterra is interested in part of the proceedings. The part of the appeal that Fonterra is interested in is set out in **Schedule 1**.

Relief sought

4. Fonterra is interested so as to ensure that any outcomes are consistent with the outcomes sought in Fonterra's appeal and:
 - (a) promote the sustainable management of the natural and physical resources within the Waikato Region, and are therefore consistent with Part 2 and other provisions of the RMA;
 - (b) meet the reasonably foreseeable needs of future generations;
 - (c) enable the social, economic and cultural wellbeing of the people of the Waikato Region;
 - (d) avoid, remedy or mitigate actual or potential adverse effects on the environment; and
 - (e) are the most appropriate way to achieve the objectives of the Waikato Regional Plan in terms of section 32 of the RMA

Alternative dispute resolution

5. Fonterra agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.

Service

6. In accordance with the directions in Environment Court decision [2020] NZEnvC 063, this notice will be lodged with the Environment Court via email to WRC.PC1appeals@justice.govt.nz, and copies will be served on the Appellant and on the Waikato Regional Council on PC1Appeals@waikatoregion.govt.nz.

7. Service on other parties will be completed upon the Court uploading a copy of the notice onto the Environment Court's website.

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TO: The Registrar, Environment Court

AND TO: Waikato Regional Council

Advice

1. If you have any questions about this notice, contact the Environment Court in Auckland.

Schedule 1

Relevant Waikato River Authority appeal points	Fonterra's interest
Seeks amendment to Objective 1 to define wetland as: "permanently or intermittently wet areas, shallow water, and land water margins that support plants that are adapted to wet conditions".	Fonterra is interested in this appeal point so as to ensure that any outcomes are consistent with the outcomes sought in Fonterra's appeal.