

Proposed Kaipara District Plan Summary of Submissions

This document contains a summary of decisions requested by persons making submissions on the Proposed Kaipara District Plan in accordance with clause 7 of Schedule 1 of the Resource Management Act. The summary of decisions requested for Light was notified on 21 October 2025 and those submissions are therefore not included in this document.

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Submission point No.	Submitter	Provision	Position	Summary of decision requested	Reasons
146.36	New Zealand Agricultural Aviation Association	General	Amend	ADD a new NOISE Policy as follows: NOISE-PX Recognising existing lawfully established noise emitting activities Provide for adequate areas where activities generating higher levels of noise can operate, subject to appropriate controls and where the special characteristics of noise generating activities are accommodated to reflect the function, character and amenity values of each zone including existing lawfully established activities that are high noise generators.	Providing for existing and lawfully established noise generating activities and areas where high noise generating activities can operate is important.
146.37	New Zealand Agricultural Aviation Association	General	Amend	ADD a new NOISE Policy as follows: NOISE-PX Manage reverse sensitivity Reduce the potential for reverse sensitivity effects by employing land use controls that manage the design and/or location of new noise sensitive activities in proximity to areas that consistently experience higher noise levels.	There should be a policy that reduces the potential for reverse sensitivity and gives effect to NOISE-O2 and manages new noise-sensitive activities in proximity to areas that consistently experience higher noise levels.
146.40	New Zealand Agricultural Aviation Association	General	Amend	ADD a new NOISE Rule (to apply within the General rural zone, Rural lifestyle zone, Mäori purpose zone and Natural open space zone) NOISE-RX Noise from agricultural aviation activities 1. Activity status: Permitted Where: a. Aircraft used for agricultural aviation activities carried out on a seasonal, temporary or intermittent basis for a period up to 30 days in any 12-month period. AND ADD definitions for "Airfield", "Agricultural Aviation", "Heliport', "Rural Airstrip" and "Temporary Helicopter Landing Area", as sought by the submitter in other submission points.	The scope of NOISE-S3 does not include the full range of agricultural aviation activities (as per the definition sought by the submitter) Agricultural aviation activities are undertaken in the Rural Lifestyle Zone to support primary production Agricultural aviation activities are undertaken in the Natural Open Space Zone to support biosecurity and conservation activities. New rule will provide specifically for agricultural aviation activities in appropriate zones.
147.10	New Zealand Helicopter Association	General	Amend	ADD a new NOISE Policy as follows: NOISE-PX Recognising existing lawfully established noise emitting activities. Provide for adequate areas where activities generating higher levels of noise can operate, subject to appropriate controls and where the special characteristics of noise generating activities are accommodated to reflect the function, character and amenity values of each zone including existing lawfully established activities that are high noise generators.	The submitter requests this new NOISE Policy to provide for existing and lawfully established noise generating activities.
147.11	New Zealand Helicopter Association	General	Amend	ADD a new NOISE Policy as follows: NOISE-PX Manage reverse sensitivity. Reduce the potential for reverse sensitivity effects by employing land use controls that manage the design and/or location of new noise sensitive activities in proximity to areas that consistently experience higher noise levels.	A new NOISE Policy is needed to reduce the potential for reverse sensitivity and give effect to NOISE-O2. The Policy could also manage new noise-sensitive activities within proximity to areas consistently experiencing higher noise.
147.16	New Zealand Helicopter Association	General	Amend	ADD a new NOISE Rule to apply within the General rural zone, Rural lifestyle zone, Māori purpose zone and Natural open space zone as follows: NOISE-RX Noise levels from a temporary helicopter landing area 1. Activity status: Permitted Where: a. Temporary helicopter movements from or to a site are undertaken on no more than 3 days (either consecutively or non-consecutively) over a 3-month period; and b. Movements are only undertaken between the hours of 7am and 7pm; and c. The site is not within the General residential zone. Note: For the purpose of NOISE-RX 1. a., 'a day' is counted where there is at least one movement although there is no limit on the number of movements which may be undertaken on that 'day'. The following activities are exempt from the provisions of 1. a., b., and c: 1. Helicopter movements for emergencies by police, fire and emergency, ambulance, medical, civil defence or for search and rescue purposes; or 2. helicopter movements to support primary production activities; or 3. helicopter movements to support biosecurity or biodiversity activities authorised by a statutory agency.	The submitter requests the addition of a new NOISE Rule to provide for Temporary helicopter landing areas as a permitted activity, for helicopters responding to emergencies including medical, wildfire, search and rescue and/or adverse weather events. The submitter notes that this provision is important for the wellbeing of the community. Moreover, such activities are infrequent and limited in duration, thus it is appropriate they are provided for. Temporary and infrequent helicopter activities include joy rides taking place at community events, surveying flights and ad-hoc transportation of people or equipment - all of which should be provided for.



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				AND ADD definitions for "Heliport", "Helicopter movement" and "Temporary helicopter landing area", as sought by the submitter in other submission points.	
149.101	Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society of New Zealand Incorporated	General	Amend	ADD a new Noise Objective as follows: Noise is managed to protect indigenous biodiversity. AND Any consequential amendments and alternative relief to address the concerns raised.	As drafted, Noise provisions do not reflect the adverse effect noise can have on natural environment values and on indigenous fauna in particular. E.g., frost fans, helicopter landings and bird scaring devices can affect indigenous birds.
149.102	Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society of New Zealand Incorporated	General	Amend	ADD a new Noise policy as follows: NOISE-PX: Manage adverse effects of noise on indigenous biodiversity in accordance with ECO section provisions. AND Any consequential amendments and alternative relief to address the concerns raised.	As drafted, Noise provisions do not reflect the adverse effect noise can have on natural environment values and on indigenous fauna in particular. E.g. frost fans, helicopter landings and bird scaring devices can affect indigenous birds.
267.26	Northland Fish and Game Council	General	Amend	ADD a new NOISE Rule as follows: NOISE-R13 Emission of noise from hunting activities General rural zone and Rural lifestyle zone Activity status: Permitted	The submitter seeks a permitted activity rule for noise generated by hunting activities.
284.29	New Zealand Defence Force	General	Amend	ADD new permitted activity rule for noise from all other temporary military training activities sources (see submission for wording sought). OR Wording to similar effect. AND Any necessary further alternative or consequential relief as necessary to give effect to the submission.	Refer to the submission for full details. NZDF has developed noise standards specific to TMTA and has successfully sought inclusion of these in a number of District Plans across New Zealand. NZDF requests that its noise standards for all other sources/ fixed noise are used for temporary military training activities in addition to the standards for noise from temporary military training activities involving weapons and explosives. Note: These are an updated version of the standards provided with NZDF's previous feedback on the Draft Kaipara District Plan.
310.38	Fonterra Limited	General	Amend	ADD a new rule to the Noise chapter as follows: NOISE-R15 Noise sensitive activities within the Maungatūroto Dairy Factory Noise Sensitive Area All zones 1. Activity status: Permitted Where: a. Buildings containing noise sensitive activities within the Maungatūroto Dairy Factory Noise Sensitive Area are designed, constructed and maintained to ensure that the internal noise level (based on external noise from the dairy factory) does not exceed the following noise limit: 30 dB LAeq at all times. b. Where the building façade is required to be fully closed to meet an internal noise limit, the building shall be mechanically ventilated and cooled to ensure that the thermal comfort of the occupants can be maintained at all times of the year without any requirement to open windows, doors or other façade openings. To satisfy this clause, a design producer statement from a suitably qualified HVAC design professional shall be provided that addresses the following in accordance with all relevant New Zealand HVAC codes and standards: i. Provides mechanical ventilation to all habitable areas of the noise sensitive activity that ensures human ventilation needs and comfort are met with the façade closed. ii. Provides mechanical thermal cooling to ensure that all habitable areas of the noise sensitive activity can remain at a comfortable temperature at all times of the year with the façade closed. iii. Where i) or ii) above are to be provided by a ducted air-conditioning and/or ventilation system, that the noise level does not exceed 35 dB LAeq when measured at 1 metre from any diffuser at the minimum airflows required to maintain the design temperatures and	 Refer to submission for detailed reasoning. Fonterra seeks a similar noise rule to NOISE-R5, NOISE-R13, and NOISE-S15 for new buildings containing noise sensitive activities within the Maungatūroto Dairy Factory Noise Sensitive Area (to ensure appropriate internal noise levels within any such buildings and to protect the Maungatūroto Site from reverse sensitivity effects). Fonterra suggest a ventilation and thermal cooling noise rule that is different to NOISE-R5 and NOISE-R13. Fonterra recommend an "outcome focussed" rule, that seeks the advice of a suitably qualified HVAC design professional.



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				ventilation once the room temperature has been achieved. iv. Where ii) above is to be provided by high-wall heat pumps, cassette units or other similar non-ducted airconditioning units, that the unit is from a recognised manufacturer and includes a "quiet" or "low" noise mode with a claimed noise level of less than 35 dBA. c. Compliance shall be demonstrated at the time of application for building consent. The application shall be accompanied by a statement prepared by a suitably qualified acoustic consultant that demonstrates the internal design levels will be achieved. 2. Activity status when compliance not achieved: Discretionary Notification: If a resource consent application is made under NOISE-R15, the owner and operator of the Maungatūroto Dairy Factory will be considered an affected person in accordance with section 95E of the Act and notified of the application, where written approval is not provided. OR AMEND the wording of the ventilation/cooling rules associated with NOISE-R5, NOISE-R13 and NOISE-R15 consistent, if possible, upon the advice of a suitably qualified mechanical design professional.	
269.36	Health New Zealand - Te Whatu Ora	General	Oppose	No specific decision sought, however the submission seeks relief that Council further tests the practical implementation of these provisions to ensure the continued operation of Hospital and Hospital Related Activity in the SPHZ (Dargaville Hospital) remains prioritised, protected, and enabled.	There is inconsistency, potential conflict and unreasonable control within the noise provisions and relevant definitions as they apply to activities within the Hospital zone. The submitter opposes all aspects of the noise provisions and related definitions that unreasonably control, restrict and/or impose unjustified requirements on public health service activity. The submitter considers that further work is required by Council to ensure that these provisions and related definitions are appropriate (and without unintended consequences) in relation to the ongoing operation of the Dargaville Hospital. Without careful further consideration of the mechanics and interrelationship between the noise, Hospital zone and relevant definitions, Proposed District Plan provisions intended to protect and enable regionally significant infrastructure like Dargaville Hospital will be undermined (and in conflict with higher order regional planning documents). Refer submission for further details.
189.3	N Ward	General	Support	ADD noise insulation requirements for businesses in newly established industrial zones	To keep noise down.
149.103	Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society of New Zealand Incorporated	NOISE-MAT1	Amend	ADD the following matters of discretion to NOISE-MAT1: The effect of the noise on indigenous biodiversity values; The extent of noise and any practicable locations or methods to avoid or reduce the extent of effects on indigenous biodiversity values; and The proposed measures to avoid, remedy, mitigate, offset or compensate adverse effects on indigenous biodiversity values. AND Any consequential amendments and alternative relief to address the concerns raised.	As drafted, Noise provisions do not reflect the adverse effect noise can have on natural environment values and on indigenous fauna in particular. E.g. frost fans, helicopter landings and bird scaring devices can affect indigenous birds.
136.157	Federated Farmers of New Zealand (Inc) - Northland Province	NOISE-MAT1	Support	RETAIN NOISE-MAT1 as notified. OR With wording that achieves a similar intent. AND Any consequential amendments.	The submitter supports NOISE-MAT1 as notified.
287.61	Silver Fern Farms	NOISE-MAT1	Support	RETAIN NOISE-MAT1 as notified. OR	The assessment matters are appropriate to facilitate assessments of applications.
				Provisions or wording to similar effect.	Days 2 of 4



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				AND Any necessary and consequential amendments. AND All further relief necessary to give effect to the concerns raised in the submission.	
310.42	Fonterra Limited	NOISE-MAT1	Support	RETAIN NOISE-MAT1.	The Matters of Discretion are supported.
330.93	New Zealand Transport Agency	NOISE-MAT1	Support	RETAIN NOISE-MAT1 as notified.	Matters of discretion are supported.
330.94	New Zealand Transport Agency	NOISE-MAT2	Support	RETAIN NOISE-MAT2 as notified.	Matters of discretion is supported.
330.95	New Zealand Transport Agency	NOISE-MAT3	Support	RETAIN NOISE-MAT3 as notified.	Matters of discretion is supported.
146.34	New Zealand Agricultural Aviation Association	NOISE-01	Amend	DELETE NOISE-O1. AND ADD a new NOISE-O1 as follows: The benefits of activities generating noise and vibration are recognised where the adverse effects are compatible with the purpose, character and amenity values of the zone and the zone in which the activity occurs and do not adversely affect the health, safety or wellbeing of people and communities.	Recognising the benefits of appropriate noise generating activities is important for the Kaipara District's economic and social wellbeing. However, amendment is sought to ensure benefits are recognised. As the receiving environment is not defined or described the zone in which the activity occurs should be referred to instead.
147.8	New Zealand Helicopter Association	NOISE-01	Amend	DELETE NOISE-O1 as notified AND ADD a new NOISE-O1 as follows: Managing noise effects The benefits of activities generating noise and vibration are recognised where the adverse effects are compatible with the purpose, character and amenity values of the zone and the zone in which the activity occurs and do not adversely affect the health, safety or wellbeing of people and communities.	Recognising the benefits of appropriate noise generating activities is important for social and economic wellbeing of the Kaipara District. Amendment is sought to ensure benefits are recognised. As the receiving environment is neither described nor defined, the submitter believes it is better to refer to the zone in which the activity will occur.
136.148	Federated Farmers of New Zealand (Inc) - Northland Province	NOISE-01	Support	RETAIN NOISE-O1 as notified. OR With wording that achieves a similar intent. AND Any consequential amendments.	The submitter supports NOISE-O1 as notified.
140.75	Horticulture New Zealand	NOISE-O1	Support	RETAIN NOISE-O1 as notified. AND any consequential or alternative amendments required to address the concerns raised by the submitter.	The noise should reflect the underlying characteristics of the zone.
330.84	New Zealand Transport Agency	NOISE-O1	Support	RETAIN NOISE-O1 as notified.	Objective is supported as managing noise to manage impacts on amenity values and the health, safety and wellbeing of people and communities is important. Particularly for the submitter in its statutory role administering the State Highway network, this is an important issue.
284.24	New Zealand Defence Force	NOISE-O2	Amend	RETAIN approach set out in NOISE-O2 to protect noise generating activities. OR Wording to similar effect AND Any necessary further alternative or consequential relief as necessary to give effect to the submission.	NZDF supports the recognition of reverse sensitivity as an issue and the direction to provide for the protection of noise generating activities.
136.149	Federated Farmers of New Zealand (Inc) - Northland Province	NOISE-O2	Support	RETAIN NOISE-O2 as notified. OR With wording that achieves a similar intent. AND Any consequential amendments.	The submitter supports NOISE-O2 as notified.
140.76	Horticulture New Zealand	NOISE-O2	Support	RETAIN NOISE-O2 as notified. AND any consequential or alternative amendments required to address the concerns raised by the submitter.	Supports the protection of potential reverse sensitivity effects.



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146.35	New Zealand Agricultural Aviation Association	NOISE-O2	Support	RETAIN NOISE-O2 as notified.	The submitter supports the protection of existing and lawfully established noise generating activities from reverse sensitivities.
147.9	New Zealand Helicopter Association	NOISE-O2	Support	RETAIN NOISE-O2 as notified.	The submitter supports the protection of existing and lawfully established noise generating activities from reverse sensitivities and requests NOISE-O2 is retained as notified.
253.20	McRobbie Dowling Limited	NOISE-O2	Support	RETAIN NOISE-O2.	The submitter supports the protection of authorised activities from reverse sensitivity effects.
267.23	Northland Fish and Game Council	NOISE-O2	Support	RETAIN NOISE-O2.	The Proposed District Plan's framework enables various noise emitting activities to operate as permitted activities outside of the general rule.
287.54	Silver Fern Farms	NOISE-O2	Support	RETAIN NOISE-O2 as notified. OR Provisions or wording to similar effect. AND Any necessary and consequential amendments. AND All further relief necessary to give effect to the concerns raised in the submission.	It is appropriate to protect established activities from reverse sensitivity effects associated with noise. It is understood that "authorised activities" means consented activities and permitted activities. This is considered appropriate.
310.34	Fonterra Limited	NOISE-O2	Support	RETAIN NOISE-02.	NOISE-O2 is supported on the basis that the Proposed District Plan appropriately recognises, provides for and protects lawfully established activities such as the Maungatūroto Site.
323.72	KiwiRail Holdings Limited	NOISE-O2	Support	RETAIN NOISE-O2 as proposed. AND any consequential changes to link and/or accommodate the requested change in the stated, or alternate location.	The submitter supports NFL-O2 and requests it is retained as notified activities capable of generating higher noise levels (i.e., the railway network) need to be protected from reverse sensitivity effects.
330.85	New Zealand Transport Agency	NOISE-O2	Support	RETAIN NOISE-O2 as notified.	Objective is strongly supported as it explicitly recognises the importance of existing and authorised activities and providing protection from reverse sensitivity effects.
253.21	McRobbie Dowling Limited	NOISE-P1	Amend	AMEND NOISE-P1 to clarify what is meant by the term 'compatible'. AND Any necessary consequential amendments.	Unclear what is meant by the term 'compatible' with the anticipated amenity, function and purpose of the zone and any receiving zone. May cause uncertainty for plan users.
136.150	Federated Farmers of New Zealand (Inc) - Northland Province	NOISE-P1	Support	RETAIN NOISE-P1 as notified. OR With wording that achieves a similar intent. AND Any consequential amendments.	The submitter supports NOISE-P1 as notified.
267.24	Northland Fish and Game Council	NOISE-P1	Support	RETAIN NOISE-P1.	The Proposed District Plan's framework enables various noise emitting activities to operate as permitted activities, outside of the general rule.
287.55	Silver Fern Farms	NOISE-P1	Support	RETAIN NOISE-P1 as notified. OR Provisions or wording to similar effect. AND Any necessary and consequential amendments. AND All further relief necessary to give effect to the concerns raised in the submission.	It is appropriate to enable noise emissions that are compatible with the zone.
330.86	New Zealand Transport Agency	NOISE-P1	Support	RETAIN NOISE-P1 as notified.	Policy is supported as it recognises that activities that generate noise (such as State Highways) need to be enabled, in a manner that is consistent with the purpose of the zone and in a manner that is compatible with the anticipated amenity and function of the receiving zone.



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253.22	McRobbie Dowling Limited	NOISE-P2	Amend	AMEND NOISE-P2 to clarify what is meant by the term 'high noise locations.' AND Any necessary consequential amendments.	Unclear what is meant by 'high noise locations'. This may cause uncertainty for plan users.
136.151	Federated Farmers of New Zealand (Inc) - Northland Province	NOISE-P2	Support	RETAIN NOISE-P2 as notified. OR With wording that achieves a similar intent. AND Any consequential amendments.	The submitter supports NOISE- P2 as notified.
140.77	Horticulture New Zealand	NOISE-P2	Support	RETAIN NOISE-P2 as notified. AND Any consequential or alternative amendments required to address the concerns raised by the submitter.	Restricts noise sensitive activities and requires acoustic treatments of noise sensitive buildings in high noise zones.
287.56	Silver Fern Farms	NOISE-P2	Support	RETAIN NOISE-P2 as notified. OR Provisions or wording to similar effect. AND Any necessary and consequential amendments. AND All further relief necessary to give effect to the concerns raised in the submission.	The policy is appropriate to provide guidance for the resolution of land use conflicts relating to noise.
310.35	Fonterra Limited	NOISE-P2	Support	RETAIN NOISE-P2.	Policy is supported on the basis that: The Proposed District Plan retains a site specific noise rule for the Maungatūroto Site that appropriately manages associated noise (consistent with the approach in the Operative District Plan); and Fonterra is proposing a new noise rule requiring acoustic treatment of buildings containing noise sensitive activities located within the Maungatūroto Dairy Factory Noise Sensitive Area.
323.73	KiwiRail Holdings Limited	NOISE-P2	Support	RETAIN NOISE-P2 as proposed. AND any consequential changes to link and/or accommodate the requested change in the stated, or alternate location.	The submitter supports NOISE-P2 and requests it is retained. The rail network operates 24/7, and train frequency, size and weight can change without community consultation. As such, rail noise can impact on a building's internal amenity and appropriate mitigation to protect the health and wellbeing of those who live and work within proximity to a railway is required to avoid undue restrictions on the network.
330.87	New Zealand Transport Agency	NOISE-P2	Support	RETAIN NOISE-P2 as notified.	Policy is supported given the importance of managing the compatibility of land uses and potential conflict. The policy explicitly states that restricting noise sensitive activities where high noise levels are anticipated; and requiring the acoustic treatment of buildings containing a noise sensitive activity in high noise locations.
253.23	McRobbie Dowling Limited	NOISE-P3	Amend	AMEND NOISE-P3, as follows: Enable higher noise levels within the General rural zone, Commercial zone and Industrial zones, while requiring rural production, industrial and commercial activities to comply with lower noise limits at the interface with any adjacent General residential zone, Rural lifestyle zone, Open space zone, and Natural open space zone. AND Any necessary consequential amendments.	Supports enablement of higher noise in areas where industrial activities are provided for. Enablement of higher noise areas should also extend to the General Rural zone, as primary production activities can create higher noise volumes too.
310.36	Fonterra Limited	NOISE-P3	Amend	AMEND NOISE-P3, as follows: Enable higher noise levels within the Commercial zone and Industrial zones, while requiring industrial and commercial activities to comply with lower noise limits at the interface with any adjacent General residential zone, Rural lifestyle zone, Open space zone, and Natural open space zone	Policy should recognise that the Proposed District Plan continues to provide for the existing use rights noise environment of the Maungatūroto Site via site-specific noise rules.



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				(unless provided for by site specific noise rules (and associated Noise Sensitive Area overlay).	
287.57	Silver Fern Farms	NOISE-P3	Support	RETAIN NOISE-P3 as notified. OR Provisions or wording to similar effect. AND Any necessary and consequential amendments. AND All further relief necessary to give effect to the concerns raised in the submission.	This approach is typical and supported.
136.152	Federated Farmers of New Zealand (Inc) - Northland Province	NOISE-P4	Support	RETAIN NOISE-P4 as notified. OR With wording that achieves a similar intent. AND Any consequential amendments.	The submitter supports NOISE-P4 as notified.
140.78	Horticulture New Zealand	NOISE-P4	Support	RETAIN NOISE-P4 (or equivalent policy) to provide direction for considering activities that exceed noise standards. AND Any consequential or alternative amendments required to address the concerns raised by the submitter.	It is not always possible, practical or necessary to internalise noise and, therefore, a policy that provides direction for considering activities that exceed noise standards should be retained.
330.88	New Zealand Transport Agency	NOISE-P4	Support	RETAIN NOISE-P4 as notified.	Policy is supported as it addresses management of noise effects at source, the internalisation of noise effects within boundaries, the consideration of available measures to avoid or mitigate noise effects, the adoption of the best practicable option to minimise unreasonable noise effects, and the practicability of reducing or mitigating noise emissions.
147.12	New Zealand Helicopter Association	NOISE-P5	Amend	AMEND NOISE-P5 as follows: Adopt the best practicable option for noise from construction work to ensure the level, timing and duration of the noise and level of disruption is reasonable having regard to the sensitivity of the zone in which the activity occurs. AND ADD a definition for "Construction Works", as sought by the submitter in another submission point.	The submitter supports NOISE-P5 in part but considers that noise sensitivity for construction works should only be considered within the zone in which the activity occurs.
268.11	Fuzen Entertainment Limited	NOISE-P6	Amend	AMEND NOISE-P6 to provide greater flexibility and specificity.	If the request for a site-specific Precinct and Noise Overlay is not accepted, Temporary Activities provisions require amendment to better enable the continuation of activities such as Northern Bass. The opportunity for temporary activities to be enabled within Kaipara is supported. However, as drafted, the level of exceedance within a zone appears subjective.
267.25	Northland Fish and Game Council	NOISE-P6	Support	RETAIN NOISE-P6.	The Proposed District Plan's framework enables various noise emitting activities to operate as permitted activities, outside of the general rule.
284.25	New Zealand Defence Force	NOISE-P6	Support	RETAIN approach set out in NOISE-P6. OR Wording to similar effect AND Any necessary further alternative or consequential relief as necessary to give effect to the submission.	Temporary activities may produce temporary noise effects which are not consistent with the typical amenity values of the receiving environment, however, such effects are by nature temporary, and therefore should be provided for notwithstanding of the amenity values of the receiving environment.
253.24	McRobbie Dowling Limited	NOISE-R1	Amend	AMEND NOISE-R1 as follows: 1. Activity status: Permitted Where the activity complies with the following standards where applicable: AND Any necessary consequential amendments.	Not practical for any one activity to comply with all NOISE standards.
136.153	Federated Farmers of New Zealand (Inc) - Northland Province	NOISE-R1	Support	RETAIN NOISE-R1 as notified. OR With wording that achieves a similar intent. AND Any consequential amendments.	The submitter supports NOISE-R1 as notified.



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287.58	Silver Fern Farms	NOISE-R1	Support	RETAIN NOISE-R1 as notified. OR Provisions or wording to similar effect. AND Any necessary and consequential amendments. AND All further relief necessary to give effect to the concerns raised in the submission.	Permitted status for noise that complies with relevant standards, with a back-up restricted discretionary pathway is appropriate.
310.37	Fonterra Limited	NOISE-R1	Support	RETAIN NOISE-R1.	Permitted activity status is supported.
292.74	Transpower New Zealand Limited	NOISE-R2	Amend	AMEND NOISE-R2 as follows: Activity Status: Permitted Where: The activity complies with NOISE-S13 1. The noise from construction activities undertaken on a site complies with the guidelines and recommendations of the New Zealand Standard NZS 6803:1999: Acoustics Construction Noise. Activity Status when compliance not achieved: Restricted-Discretionary Matters of discretion are restricted to: 1. The level, hours of operation, duration and nature of the noise: 2. Proximity and nature of nearby activities and the adverse effects they may experience from the noise: 3. The existing noise environment; 4. Effects on character and amenity values on the surrounding environment; 5. Effects on the health and wellbeing of people; 6. Any noise reduction measures; and 7. Potential building damage effects. AND Alternative or consequential relief as may be necessary to fully achieve the relief sought in the submission.	There is a recognised New Zealand Standard for the management of Construction Noise NZS 6803:1999: Acoustics Construction Noise which is used by many Councils as a permitted activity standard in district plans for construction noise. It would be more efficient to manage construction noise by reference to this standard, than to require a Discretionary Activity status for activities unable to comply with the proposed limits.
268.12	Fuzen Entertainment Limited	NOISE-R4	Oppose	AMEND NOISE-R4 to better reflect and offer flexibility for larger events.	If the requested Precinct and Noise Overlay are not added into the Proposed District Plan, Temporary Activity provisions require amendment to better enable the continuation of activities like the Northern Bass festival. Directly referencing noise limits for the receiving zone means the festival would be restricted in terms of noise levels and subject to a cumulative 6-hour duration. The submitter requests this is reviewed within the context of larger events such as Northern Bass. This could be remedied by inserting the requested Precinct and Noise Overlay for Northern Bass.
146.38	New Zealand Agricultural Aviation Association	NOISE-R6	Amend	AMEND NOISE-R6 title as follows: Noise levels from a helicopter landing area heliport AND AMEND the NOISE-R6 Note by adding the following (NOISE-RX referring to new rule sought by the submitter): Use of temporary helicopter landing areas for agricultural aviation are managed through NOISE-RX and are exempt from NOISE-R6. AND ADD definitions for "Heliport" and "Temporary Helicopter Landing Area", as sought by the submitter.	NOISE-R6 is appropriate for helicopters using a heliport as defined in the definition sought by the submitter. A new NOISE Rule is sought for temporary helicopter landing areas used for agricultural aviation. The submitter believes it needs to be clear that use of temporary helicopter landing areas is excluded from NOISE-R6.
147.15	New Zealand Helicopter Association	NOISE-R6	Amend	AMEND the title of NOISE-R6 as follows: NOISE-R6 Noise levels from a helicopter landing area heliport AND ADD new definitions for "Heliport" and "Temporary helicopter landing area", as sought by the submitter in other submission points.	The submitter opposes NOISE-R6 in part as, though it is appropriate for movements from a fixed location airfield or heliport used on a regular basis, separate provisions should be added for the use of temporary helicopter landing areas for emergencies and/or ad-hoc commercial activities.
222.43	Kaipara District Council	NOISE-R6	Amend	AMEND NOISE-R6 to differentiate helicopter use for residential purposes as opposed to agricultural or horticultural use.	Rule needs to differentiate between residential use of helicopters and rural use such as agricultural/horticultural spraying. Page 8 of 1



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284.26	New Zealand Defence Force	NOISE-R6	Amend	AMEND NOISE-R6 to clarify that it applies to permanent helicopter landing areas excluding temporary helicopter landings including those associated with temporary military training activities. OR ADD a definition for "Helicopter landing area" as follows: Helicopter landing area means any are of land, building or structure intended or designed to be used whether wholly or partly, for helicopter movement or servicing, other than: 1. Helicopter landings for emergencies by New Zealand Defence Force. 2. Helicopter landings associated with temporary military training activities. 3 OR Wording to similar effect. AND Any necessary further alternative or consequential relief as necessary to give effect to the submission.	Helicopter landing area is not defined in the Proposed District Plan, and the submitter expects that NOISE-R6 is only meant to cover permanent facilities. Therefore, submitter considers there needs to be better clarification how NOISE-R6 applies to permanent versus temporary landings.
284.28	New Zealand Defence Force	NOISE-R7	Amend	AMEND the activity status of NOISE-R7 as follows: 2. Activity status when compliance not achieved: Controlled Restricted Discretionary 3. Matters over which discretion control is restricted reserved: a. The level of noise and disruption to activities that will be experienced on adjacent sites; b. The timing and duration of the noise, including potential sleep disturbance effects; c. The number of events proposed and periods of respite between events; d. The cumulative noise effects of the proposal and any other consented activities; and e. The proposed measures to manage noise levels throughout the event, including advanced communications prior to the event. OR Wording to similar effect. AND Any necessary further alternative or consequential relief as necessary to give effect to the submission.	The inclusion of temporary military training activities rules is supported. Temporary military training activities that do not meet permitted activity standards should be provided for as a Controlled activity. Controlled activity provides a level of certainty to NZDF that an activity can proceed and allows Council to ensure relevant effects are appropriately managed. Control should be limited to effects relating to the permitted activity noise standards only.
136.154	Federated Farmers of New Zealand (Inc) - Northland Province	NOISE-R8	Support	RETAIN NOISE-R8 as notified. OR With wording that achieves a similar intent. AND Any consequential amendments.	The submitter supports NOISE-R8 as notified.
140.79	Horticulture New Zealand	NOISE-R8	Support	RETAIN NOISE-R8 as notified. AND any consequential or alternative amendments required to address the concerns raised by the submitter.	Frost fans have dual purpose - they reduce the effects of frost and dry wet produce.
136.155	Federated Farmers of New Zealand (Inc) - Northland Province	NOISE-R9	Support	RETAIN NOISE-R9 as notified. OR With wording that achieves a similar intent. AND Any consequential amendments.	The submitter supports NOISE-R9 as notified.
283.184	Northpower Limited and Northpower Fibre Limited	NOISE-R10	Amend	AMEND NOISE-R10.1. as follows: a. The noise is from: i. Emergency service activities and sirens during emergencies; or ii. Testing of emergency generators between the hours of 07:00am and 6:00pm; and b. Except as permitted in a., the noise is not from permanent depots or bases such as fire stations, police stations or the base for emergency aircraft." AND Any further necessary consequential amendments required.	 To align with the requested relief to the Noise Rules - Notes. To ensure an exemption is provided for in all zones for emergency use of generators required to ensure continued supply of electricity. To ensure resource consent is not required in emergency situations.



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308.57	Fire and Emergency New Zealand	NOISE-R10	Amend	AMEND NOISE-R10, as follows: 1. Activity status: Permitted Where: a. The noise is from: i. Emergency service facilities, emergency service activities and sirens during emergencies; or ii. emergency services training activities; or iii. The use of generators and mobile equipment (including vehicles) when used solely for civil defence or emergency purposes, including testing and maintenance. Testing of emergency generators between the hours of 07:00am and 6:00pm_; and b-Except as permitted in a., the noise is not from permanent depots or bases such as fire stations, police stations or the base for emergency aircraft.	Refer to submission for detailed reasoning. Reasons summarised as follows: NOISE-S10(1)(b) is unclear and the submitter is concerned that the wording means that noise from fire stations is still subject to the noise standards of the Proposed District Plan. Due to the critical importance of emergency service facilities and emergency service activities to communities, the submitter requests that this rule is amended to provide for noise from an 'emergency service facility' during emergency response as well as emergency services training activities. This will enable the submitter to undertake its main and additional functions and meet its objectives under the Fire and Emergency New Zealand Act 2017.
323.75	KiwiRail Holdings Limited	NOISE-R11	Amend	AMEND NOISE-R11.1.b. as follows: b. Noise from trains and rail crossing bells, excluding noise from testing (when stationary), maintenance, loading or unloading of trains, or trains on private sidings. AND any consequential changes to link and/or accommodate the requested change in the stated, or alternate location. RETAIN -NOISE-R11 as notified.	
330.69	Transport Agency	NOISE-RTT	Support	RETAIN -NOISE-NTT as notined.	 The Permitted activity status for vehicle noise from individual vehicles travelling on a State Highway or public road is supported.
330.90	New Zealand Transport Agency	NOISE-R12	Support	RETAIN NOISE-R12 as notified.	The rule is broadly supported as provided for community activities and reasonably expected levels of noise generation.
322.18	Käinga Ora - Homes and Communities	NOISE-R13	Amend	AMEND the State Highway or Rail Corridor Noise Control Boundary on the Planning Maps so only those parts of the State Highway with a posted speed limit of 70km/hr or above are affected by NOISE-R13. AND Any further, alternative or consequential relief as necessary to fully achieve the relief sought.	The submitter requests that NOISE-R13 is amended to only apply to those areas of State Highway with posted speed limits of 70km/hr or above. Noise levels along lower speed sections of State Highway 12 are not likely to cause adverse effects that warrant the mitigation required by NOISE-R13.
323.76	KiwiRail Holdings Limited	NOISE-R13	Amend	AMEND NOISE-R13.2.a.ii. as follows: Noise sensitive activities in proximity to from State Highways and Rail Corridor (new buildings) 2. Where: ii. Is located so the nearest exterior façade of that part of the building is at least 25m50m from the formed carriageway of the State Highway and 25m50m from the formed raitway track designation boundary of the KiwiRail rail corridor, and there is a solid building, fence, wall or landform that blocks the line of sight from windows and doors to: AND AMEND NOISE-R13.4. as follows: 4. Matters over which discretion is restricted: a. Adverse effects on health and amenity of people indoors within the Noise Control Boundary overlay; due to the non-compliance with the performance standard. b. Alternative options for building design or location that would achieve compliance with the standards in NOISE-S15 Table 1; c. Adverse effects on the continuing operation, maintenance and upgrade of the State Highway network, or railway corridor as a result of non-compliance with the standards; d. Any natural or built features of the site or surrounding area that will mitigate noise effects; and e. The outcome of any consultation undertaken with NZTA or KiwiRail.	supported but a 25m distance is not sufficient to manage effects. The submitter requests this is increased to 100m and is seeking further amendments to clarify the purpose of NOISE-R13. NOISE-R13 seeks to control noise sensitive activities near state highways and rail corridors, rather than noise from the sources. The submitter believes that 'new buildings' should be removed from the Rule as it already includes 'additions' and 'changes in use.' Further amendments sought include increasing the compliance pathway to within 50m of the rail designation boundary as opposed to 25m of the track (as supported by technical evidence provided in Attachment A of the submission). The submitter notes that the formed track location can be moved within the rail corridor and seeks to ensure nearby sensitive land uses are designed appropriately to protect and maintain internal amenity. The restricted discretionary status where compliance cannot be achieved is supported. Moreover, the requirement for applicants to notify



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				AMEND the State Highway or Rail Corridor Noise Control Boundary overlay on the Planning Maps to a 100-metre distance buffer from the legal boundary of the KiwiRail Rail designation. AND any consequential changes to link and/or accommodate the requested change in the stated, or alternate location.	removal of 4(b) owing to it being unclear, as compliance with NOISE-S15 results in a permitted activity status. Amendment to 4(c) to account for future transport corridors and associated maintenance, as well as existing operations. Removal of 4(d) owing to it being unclear, as these considerations are already accounted for within Noise standards.
330.91	New Zealand Transport Agency	NOISE-R13	Support	AMEND NOISE-R13. AND AMEND NOISE-R13 as follows: NOISE-R13 - Noise sensitive activities in proximity to from State Highways and Rail Corridor (new buildings) 2. a. ii. is located so the nearest exterior façade of that part of the building is at least 25m50m from the formed carriageway of the State Highway and 25m50m from the formed railway track, and there is a solid building, fence, wall or landform that blocks the line of sight from windows and doors to 4. Matters over which discretion is restricted: a. Adverse effects on health and amenity of people indoors due to the non-compliance with the performance standard within the Noise Control Boundary overlay; b. Alternative options for building design or location that would achieve compliance with the standards in NOISE-S15 Table 1; c. Adverse effects on the continuing operation of the State Highway network, or railway corridor as a result of noncompliance with the standards; d. Any natural or built features of the site or surrounding area that will mitigate noise effects; and e. The outcome of any consultation undertaken with NZTA or KiwiRail. AND Alternative or consequential relief as may be necessary to fully achieve the relief sought in the submission.	 Supports the rule in part with several amendments sought to enhance the efficiency and effectiveness: The rule heading is misleading and requires amendment to focus on 'noise sensitive activities' near State highway and rail corridors, and also erroneously focuses on 'new' buildings which is not the focus of the rule as it also includes 'additions' and 'changes in use'. Clause 2.a.ii. of the rule has wrongly adapted a standard provision proposed by NZTA nationally and that has been generally accepted as the appropriate distance threshold for this compliance pathway, being a 50 metre distance and not 25 metres. The 50 metre distance for this compliance pathway is also the distance supported by the technical evidence available, see Attachment A. (refer to submission for attachment) The statutory impact of clause 2.a. is constructed around the 'or' statements to provide several means of achieving compliance, being either the building being outside the distance threshold, or a report from a suitably qualified practitioner demonstrating compliance with standards is achieved. Clauses 2.b., 2.c. and 3. of the rule are supported without amendment. In respect of the matters of discretion, in 4.a., a minor amendment is sought to enhance clarity. 4.b is irrelevant as if compliance with the standard is achieved then there is no resource consent. 4.d is not relevant and should be deleted as these factors have already been accounted for within the performance standard, so in effect this is simply 're-litigating' the health based criteria relied on for formulating the standard.
284.30	New Zealand Defence Force	NOISE-R14	Oppose	AMEND NOISE-R14 to include an exemption for temporary military training activities, as follows: Note: This rule does not apply to temporary military training activities. OR Wording to similar effect. AND Any necessary further alternative or consequential relief as necessary to give effect to the submission.	NZDF needs to make it clear that this rule does not apply to temporary military training activities or NZDF activities.
140.80	Horticulture New Zealand	NOISE-S3	Amend	AMEND NOISE-S3 by deleting clause S3.1.a.i relating to land-based primary production activities: i. Land Based Primary Production activities undertaken for a limited duration using agricultural vehicles, mobile machinery or equipment used on a seasonal or intermittent basis, including noise from cropping, top dressing and spraying carried out on a seasonal, temporary or intermittent basis for a period up to 30 days in any 12-month period; or AND Any consequential or alternative amendments required to address the concerns raised by the submitter.	Noise restrictions should not restrict primary production activities. 30 days over a 12-month period is not realistic and mobile machinery should be excluded due to such activities being normal within the General Rural Zone (e.g., tractors, motorbikes, forklifts etc).
146.39	New Zealand Agricultural Aviation Association	NOISE-S3	Amend	AMEND NOISE-S3.1.a.i. as follows: Land Based Primary Production activities undertaken for a limited duration using agricultural vehicles, mobile machinery or equipment used on a seasonal or intermittent basis, including noise from cropping, top dressing and spraying carried out on a seasonal, temporary or intermittent basis for a period up to 30 days in any 12-month period; or	The submitter opposes NOISE-S3 in part as, in addition to primary production, agricultural aviation activities that support biosecurity and conservation should be provided for. The Standard is opposed in part and amendments sought for the following reasons:



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				AND ADD a new NOISE Rule for "Noise from agricultural aviation activities", as requested by the submitter in another submission point.	The scope proposed in the standard does not include the full range of agricultural aviation activities (as per the definition sought by the submitter) Agricultural aviation activities are undertaken in the Rural Lifestyle Zone to support primary production Agricultural aviation activities are undertaken in the Natural Open Space Zone to support biosecurity and conservation activities. A new rule is sought to provide specifically for agricultural aviation activities in appropriate zones.
268.13	Fuzen Entertainment Limited	NOISE-S3	Oppose	AMEND the wording of TEMP-S3 as they are inhibitive to the operation of the Northern Bass Festival. OR ADD a Northern Bass Precinct and Noise Overlay.	Noise Standards for the General Rural Zone inhibit the operation of Northern Bass. The addition of a site-specific Precinct and Noise Overlay (as proposed by the submitter) could prescribe noise provisions for a festival at 433 Settlement Road (the site of Northern Base), which is otherwise within the General rural zone.
136.156	Federated Farmers of New Zealand (Inc) - Northland Province	NOISE-S3	Support	RETAIN NOISE-S3 as notified. OR With wording that achieves a similar intent. AND Any consequential amendments.	The submitter supports NOISE-S3 as notified.
310.39	Fonterra Limited	NOISE-S5	Amend	AMEND NOISE-S5, as follows: 1. With the exception of the Maungatūroto Dairy Factory, Fthe noise rating level from any activity in an Industrial zone must not exceed the following noise limits, when measured at or within the boundary of any other site in the zone:	NOISE-S6 is specific to the Maungatūroto Dairy Factory Site. Therefore, to ensure certainty Fonterra seeks that NOISE-S5 exempts the Maungatūroto Site from NOISE-S6.
287.59	Silver Fern Farms	NOISE-S5	Support	RETAIN NOISE-S5 as notified. OR Provisions or wording to similar effect. AND Any necessary and consequential amendments. AND All further relief necessary to give effect to the concerns raised in the submission.	The proposed noise limits are appropriate.
310.40	Fonterra Limited	NOISE-S6	Amend	AMEND NOISE-S6, as follows: NOISE-S6 Noise levels in the Heavy Industrial Zone Maungatūroto Dairy Factory site: 2. The noise rating level from any activity within the Maungatūroto Dairy Factory site, including infrastructure, wastewater treatment, and other ancillary activities, is a permitted activity if noise from the site as measured at the boundary of Maungatūroto Dairy Factory Noise Sensitive Area shown on the planning maps and does not exceed the following noise rating limits:	The heading should reflect that standard NOISE-S6 is specific to the Maungatūroto Site, and reference should be made to "noise rating limits" (instead of just "limits") consistent with other noise rules.
310.41	Fonterra Limited	NOISE-S7	Amend	AMEND NOISE-S7, as follows: 1. The noise rating level from any activity in the Commercial zone, Estuary Estates special purpose business and service sub-zones, Light industrial zone and Heavy industrial zone (with the exception of the Maungatūroto Dairy Factory) must not exceed the following noise limits when measured at or within: 1. The boundary of any site in the Residential zones and Rural lifestyle zone; 2. Any notional boundary in the Rural zones; and The boundary of any site in the Open space zone, Natural open space zone, and Sport and active recreation zone	For full certainty, Fonterra seeks that NOISE-S7 exempts the Maungatūroto Site in recognition of NOISE-S6.
287.60	Silver Fern Farms	NOISE-S7	Support	RETAIN NOISE-S7 as notified.	The proposed noise limits within receiving zones are appropriate.
140.81	Horticulture New Zealand	NOISE-S12	Oppose	AMEND NOISE-S12 by removing its application to a Rural zone, i.e., amending the rule title as follows: Noise levels from a childcare facility in a Residential or Rurat zone AND Any consequential or alternative amendments required to address the concerns raised by the submitter.	Childcare facilities should not be permitted within a Rural zone and there should not be an associated permitted noise standard.



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147.13	New Zealand Helicopter Association	NOISE-S13	Amend	AMEND NOISE-S13 by adding to the Notes as follows: 3. Noise from helicopters associated with construction works is provided for by NOISE-R2 AND ADD the definition for "Construction Works", as proposed by the submitter in another submission point.	The submitter seeks that helicopter construction activities are recognised in the Proposed District Plan via the proposed NZS6803 'Construction Works' definition and by adding a note to NOISE-S13.
292.75	Transpower New Zealand Limited	NOISE-S13	Oppose	DELETE NOISE-S13. AND DELETE NOISE-S13-Table 1. AND DELETE NOISE-S13-Table 2. AND Alternative or consequential relief as may be necessary to fully achieve the relief sought in the submission.	There is a recognised New Zealand Standard for the management of Construction Noise NZS 6803:1999: Acoustics Construction Noise which is used by many Councils as a permitted activity standard in district plans for construction noise. It would be more efficient to manage construction noise by reference to this standard, than to require a Discretionary Activity status for activities unable to comply with the proposed limits.
323.77	KiwiRail Holdings Limited	NOISE-S15	Support	RETAIN NOISE-S15 as proposed. AND any consequential changes to link and/or accommodate the requested change in the stated, or alternate location.	The submitter supports NOISE-S15 and requests it is retained as notified.
330.92	New Zealand Transport Agency	NOISE-S15	Support	RETAIN NOISE-S15 including the four tables therein as notified.	Standard is supported.
283.183	Northpower Limited and Northpower Fibre Limited	Notes	Amend	ADD a note in the Noise chapter as follows: 3. The noise rules and standards do not apply to the noise generated by the use of generators and mobile equipment (including vehicles) where they are operated by emergency services or lifeline utilities as defined in the Civil Defence Emergency Management Act 2002 for: a. Emergency purposes; b. Testing and maintenance; or c. The ongoing supply of electricity during planned maintenance on the electricity network. AND Any further necessary consequential amendments required.	To ensure that an exemption from the noise rules and standards is provided in all zones for emergency use of generators required to ensure continued supply of electricity. To ensure resource consent is not required in for emergency use of generators.
158.10	Manulife Forest Management NZ Ltd	Notes	Support	RETAIN the Notes in the Noise rules as notified.	The submitter supports the statement that noise from commercial forestry is regulated by the NES- CF.
149.100	Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society of New Zealand Incorporated	Overview	Amend	ADD the following text to the Noise Overview: Noise can adversely affect indigenous biodiversity by disturbing natural behaviours. For example, elevated noise levels may cause birds to abandon nests. AND Any consequential amendments and alternative relief to address the concerns raised.	As drafted, Noise provisions do not reflect the adverse effect noise can have on natural environment values and on indigenous fauna in particular. E.g., frost fans, helicopter landings and bird scaring devices can affect indigenous birds.
330.83	New Zealand Transport Agency	Overview	Support	RETAIN the Overview of the Noise chapter as notified.	Overview is supported, particularly the importance of the concept of the 'State Highway and Rail Corridor Noise Control Boundary' and associated overlay shown on the Planning Maps, and that within these overlays that 'new and altered buildings' for 'noise sensitive activities' have to comply with standards.