

COASTAL ENVIRONMENT - FEEDBACK SUMMARY

COMMENTS

General themes show support for the content in the Coastal Environment Discussion Document including the need to protect the coastal environment, aligning the District Plan's coastal environment maps with the Regional Policy Statement for Northland (RPS), and giving effect to the natural character provisions in the New Zealand Coastal Policy Statement (NZCPS).



RECOMMENDATIONS

The majority of the recommendations supported rules relating to the coastal environment be specific and that there is a commitment to avoiding adverse coastal development. Further requests were that all coastal habitats are mapped and treated as priority areas. Council should also look more broadly at the requirements of the National Coastal Policy Statement.

Other recommendations include the need to ensure that coastal landowners' interests are safeguarded, existing use is acknowledged and recognised and that consultation with affected landowners under the proposed changes takes place. One feedback form also recommended banning development of the foreshore and seabed in the habour and all its encroaches.

Te Uri o Hau recommend considering a partnership compliance model and to regulate cumulative effects and generational land use activities.



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