



**KAIPARA
DISTRICT**
PLAN REVIEW

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Kaipara District Plan Review
Discussion Document
Submission Feedback Summary

GENERAL DISTRICT-WIDE MATTERS

SUBMISSION FEEDBACK

Submitters provided feedback on all elements of the General District Wide Matters. This summary focusses on the proposed recommendations due to the range of topics and issues raised.

RECOMMENDATIONS

- Give effect to the Regional Policy Statement for Northland where applicable.
- Clear rules and provisions that align with those of neighbouring councils.

Earthworks

- Avoid duplicating rules from the proposed Regional Plan.
- Provisions for plantation forestry providing for earthworks within all zones and overlays for the ongoing use, maintenance and upgrade of infrastructure like stream crossings and tracks.
- Adaptive planning responses to enable appropriate development while controlling inappropriate activities.
- Ensure any changes to rules come with an education timeframe to ensure the objectives are met.
- Include a definition of ancillary farming earthworks (or ancillary rural earthworks) is included in the new plan.
- Apply discretionary activity land use status

for any earthworks located within the “Maungaturoto Dairy Factory Pipeline Corridor Assessment Area.

- Avoid inappropriate duplication of earthworks relating to the removal or replacement of underground fuel storage systems (defined in the NESCS).

Noise

- Align rules and provisions with industry best practice and national standards for assessing noise.
- Identify and consider reverse sensitivity issues relating to traffic and rural activities.
- Noise standards in rural zones be at least 55 LAeq to ensure that any assessment against the permitted baseline represents the normal rural environment.
- Give effect to daytime noise control in rural areas all days of the week.

RECOMMENDATIONS CONT.

Noise continued

- Specific provisions for rural production activities such as frost fans and audible bird scaring devices.
- Provide for the permitted use of helicopters and fixed wing aircraft on an intermittent basis for rural production activities.
- Where frost fans are used, acoustic insulation be required if a dwelling is to locate within proximity of horticultural activities.

Light

- Identify and consider reverse sensitivity issues for rural areas and related activities.
- Protect areas of the night sky from light pollution.

Signs

- Provide permitted activity status to health and safety signs required by other legislation.
- Improved speed signs on beaches.
- Avoid cultural misappropriation in signage and always seek appropriate guidance.

Temporary Activities

- Consider the effects temporary activities can have on traffic volumes and the roading network.

Genetically Modified Organisms (GMOs)

- Adhere to national guidelines.
- Explore potential opportunities offered by GMOs.

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