

Form 33 Notice of person's wish to be party to proceedings  
*Section 274, Resource Management Act 1991*

To the Registrar  
Environment Court  
Auckland

Federated Farmers of New Zealand (Federated Farmers) wish to be a party to the following proceedings related to the Central Hawkes Bay District Plan:

***Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society of New Zealand Inc***

**v**

***Central Hawkes Bay District Council***

Federated Farmers made a submission, further submissions and presented at the hearing in the previous proceedings on the Central Hawkes Bay District Plan relating to this appeal.

We received notice of this appeal on 7 July 2023.

Federated Farmers is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the Resource Management Act 1991.

Federated Farmers is interested in **all** of the proceedings.

Federated Farmers opposes the relief sought:

1. We oppose relief sought to amend the ECO provisions because the amendments will inappropriately reduce the ability of people and communities to provide for their health and safety and their wellbeing when they need to do trimming or clearance activities. The amendments sought will also inappropriately regulate vegetation that is not significant and is outside SNAs.
2. We oppose the relief sought to remove the respect of private property when providing public access in PA-O1, because the District Plan must not undermine the right of landowners to determine public access over their property.
3. We oppose the relief sought for the Coastal Environment provisions because the proposed amendments do not recognise that much of the Coastal Environment is used for pastoral farming and will unnecessarily restrict existing farming activities.
4. We oppose the relief sought for earthworks provisions because the proposed amendments does not recognise that earthworks are necessary for people and communities to provide for their health and safety and their wellbeing.
5. Federated Farmers agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.

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