

**BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENT COURT  
AT AUCKLAND**

**ENV-2023-**

**I MUA I TE KOOTI TAIAO O AOTEAROA  
KI TE TAMAKI MAKAUROU**

<b>IN THE MATTER</b>	<b>of an appeal under Clause 14 of Schedule 1 of the Resource Management Act 1991</b>
<b>AND IN THE MATTER</b>	<b>Proposed Central Hawke's Bay District Plan</b>
<b>BETWEEN</b>	<b>Federated Farmers of New Zealand Appellant</b>
<b>AND</b>	<b>Central Hawkes Bay District Council Respondent</b>

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**NOTICE OF ROYAL FOREST AND  
BIRD PROTECTION SOCIETY OF NEW ZEALAND INCORPORATED'S WISH TO BECOME A PARTY TO  
PROCEEDINGS PURSUANT TO SECTION 274 RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991**

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**To: The Registrar  
Environment Court  
Auckland**

1. The Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society of New Zealand Incorporated ('Forest & Bird'; 'the Society') wishes to be a party to the appeal by Federated Farmers New Zealand ('the appellant') against Central Hawke's Bay District Council's decisions on the Proposed Central Hawke's Bay District Plan.
2. Forest & Bird made a submission and further submission on the Proposed Central Hawke's Bay District Plan.
3. Forest & Bird is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308D of the Resource Management Act 1991.
4. Forest & Bird has an interest greater than the public generally as an incorporated society with a well-known role in the protection of indigenous biodiversity.<sup>1</sup>
5. Forest & Bird is interested in parts of the proceedings.
6. The parts of the proceedings Forest & Bird are interested in are:
  - a. All parts relating to Ecosystems and Biodiversity, Significant Amenity Features, Outstanding Natural Landscapes and Features, and Coastal Environment.
7. The appellant sees changes which:
  - a. will not ensure ecosystems are safeguarded;
  - b. do not meet the statutory obligations placed on the Respondent by s 31 of the Act;
  - c. do not represent sound resource management practice;
  - d. are inconsistent with Part 2 of the Act;
  - e. do not give effect to the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management 2020;
  - f. do not give effect to the New Zealand Coastal Policy Statement; and

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<sup>1</sup> See *Marlborough District Council v Burkhart Fisheries Ltd* [2018] NZEnvC 26 at [31].

g. do not give effect to the National Policy Statement for Indigenous Biodiversity 2023.

8. Forest & Bird agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceeding.

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