

Memo

Date	4 September 2020	
То	Andrew Parrish	(Planning Manager)
CC	Olivia Cook	(Principal Planning Advisor)
From	Lochiel McKellar	(Planner)

Recommended change to the Canterbury Land and Water Regional Plan pursuant to Clause 20A of Schedule 1 to the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA)

Clause 20A of Schedule 1 to the RMA states:

"A local authority may amend, without using the process in this schedule, an operative policy statement or plan to correct any minor errors"

The following amendments are recommended to correct minor errors in the Canterbury Land and Water Regional Plan (LWRP). Recommended deletions to text are shown in strikethrough and recommended insertions are shown in <u>underline</u>. Changes to the Volume 2 – Planning Maps are described in the 'Recommended Correction' column.

Location in Plan	Recommended Correction	Reason for Correction
Section 2.9, definition of 'Natural state water bodies'	"means rivers, lakes and natural-wetlands within land administered for conservation purposes by the Department of Conservation."	This change was recommended in the Proposed Canterbury Land and Water Regional Plan Report and Recommendations of the Hearing Commissioners, Appendix 2: Volume 1 (the Commissioners' Recommendations). It was a consequential amendment following a separate recommendation to delete the term/definition for "natural wetland" and insert a term/definition for "wetland". The Commissioners' Recommendations were adopted by the Council at their meeting on 5 December 2013. When the Council made the LWRP (partially) operative at their meeting on 13 August 2015 the word "natural" was erroneously retained within the definition for "Natural state waterbodies" in the approved version of the LWRP.

Volume 2 – Planning Maps Groundwater Allocation Zone layer. Map sheets: B-003, B-006 – B-007, B-011 – B-014, B-016 – B-025, B-028 – B-031, B-035 – B-038	Delete the following Groundwater Allocation Zones: In the Hurunui Waiau Catchment: • Hanmer • Culverden Waiau • Parnassus • Culverden Hurunui • Domett • Jed • Waikari	These Groundwater Allocation Zones (GWAZs) exist in the Hurunui and Waiau River Regional Plan and are subject to the provisions and allocation limits in that plan, not the LWRP. The Hurunui Waiau GWAZs were erroneously incorporated into the LWRP Planning Maps when they were reprinted in 2017 to incorporate Plan Changes 4 and 6. A correction to the maps is required to address the error.
Volume 2 – Planning Maps Groundwater Allocation Zone layer. B-048, B-049, B-056, B-064, B-065, B-075, B-076	Delete the following Groundwater Allocation Zones: Rakaia-Selwyn Selwyn-Waimakariri	When the LWRP was made operative two GWAZs existed within the Selwyn-Te Waihora sub-region. Plan Change 1 (PC1) replaced both GWAZs with three separate Combined Surface Water and Groundwater Allocation Zones (CAZs) covering a slightly smaller area. When PC1 was made operative remnants of these former GWAZs were erroneously incorporated into the republished Planning Maps. A correction to the maps is required to address the error.
Volume 2 – Planning Maps Groundwater Allocation Zone layer. B-067, B-077	Insert the following Groundwater Allocation Zone: • Kaituna (using the shapefile from the PC1 decision)	The Kaituna Groundwater Allocation Zone was incorporated into the LWRP as part of the Council's decisions on PC1 (9 May 2015). However the Zone was inadvertently omitted from the Planning Maps at the time the plan change was made operative. A correction to the maps is required to address the omission.
Volume 2 – Planning Maps Woolston/Heathcote Groundwater Management Zone B-059, B-C10, B-C13	Delete the line running through the Woolston/Heathcote Groundwater Management Zone	The proposed LWRP (as notified for public submissions) proposed the establishment of two groundwater management zones for the Woolston/Heathcote area (Zone 1 and Zone 2) The independent hearing panel appointed to hear submissions and evidence and make recommendations on the LWRP recommended combining the zones into a single zone, referred to as the Woolston / Heathcote Groundwater Management Zone). The Council adopted that recommendation as part of its 'decision' on the LWRP and notified the decision on 18 January 2014.

		However, while the labels for 'Zone 1' and 'Zone 2' have been correctly deleted from the Planning Maps, the line that delineates the boundary of these former zones has been incorrectly retained. A change is required to the Planning Maps to remove the boundary line.
Volume 2 – Planning Maps High naturalness rivers, including tributaries	Change symbology for the High naturalness rivers, including tributaries layer	This recommendation is to amend the symbology for the 'High naturalness rivers, including tributaries' layer by changing the shade of green and thickness of the line. No changes will be made to the geographical extent of the delineated area.
B - Series		The layers 'High naturalness rivers including tributaries' and 'Semi-confined or unconfined aquifers' are both shown with green diagonal cross hatching. The shade of green used is identical but the scale of the pattern is different. It is difficult to differentiate on the map sheets, particularly where the two layers overlap (eg sheet B-005). A change is required to the Planning Maps to differentiate the layers.

It is considered appropriate to use Clause 20A to Schedule 1 to the RMA to amend the Canterbury Land and Water Regional Plan to make these changes:

- The recommended amendments correct 'minor errors'.
- The recommended amendments do not materially alter the substance, intent or application of the provisions;
- The recommended amendments are of neutral effect and do not prejudice the rights of any person that made a submission on these provisions.

Recommendation

The above change as recommended by Environment Canterbury staff, is approved as a correction of a minor error under Clause 20A, and a copy of these changes is displayed on the Environment Canterbury Website.

Delegated Authority: Andrew Parrish, Regional Planning Manager

Signature:

Date: Monday, 7 September 2020