
Form 5: Submission on notified proposal for policy statement or plan, change or variation

Pursuant to clause 6 of the First Schedule of the Resource Management Act 1991

To: Mackenzie District Council (**the Council**)

Name of submitter: Penny Nelson, Director-General of Conservation (the **Director-General**)

1. This is a submission on **Proposed Plan Change 24 (Sites and Areas of Significance to Māori)** to the Mackenzie District Plan.
2. I could not gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission.
3. The specific provisions of the proposal that my submission relates to, and the detailed decisions sought, are set out in **Attachment 1** to this submission.
4. I **seek** the following decision from the Council:
 - a. That the particular provisions of Proposed Plan Change 24 that I support, as identified in Attachment 1, are retained;
 - b. That the amendments, additions and deletions to Proposed Plan Change 24 sought in Attachments 1 are made; and
 - c. Further or alternative relief to like effect to that sought in 4. a. and 4. b. above.
5. The decisions sought in this submission are required to ensure that the Mackenzie District Plan:
 - a. Gives effect to the relevant national direction;
 - b. Recognises and provides for the matters of national importance listed in section 6 of the Act and has particular regard to the other matters in section 7 of the Act;
 - c. Promotes the sustainable management of natural and physical resources; and

- d. The changes sought are necessary, appropriate and sound resource management practice.
6. I wish to be heard in support of my submission, and if others make a similar submission, I will consider presenting a joint case with them at the hearing.



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Acting pursuant to delegated authority on behalf of Penny Nelson, Director-General of Conservation

Date: 24 January 2024

Note: A copy of the Instrument of Delegation may be inspected at the Director-General's office at Conservation House Whare Kaupapa Atawhai, 18/32 Manners Street, Wellington 6011

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ATTACHMENT 1:

**PROPOSED PLAN CHANGE 24 TO THE MACKENZIE DISTRICT PLAN
SUBMISSION BY THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF CONSERVATION**

My submissions are set out below, together with the reason and the decision I seek from the Council.

The decision that has been requested may suggest new or revised wording for identified sections of the proposed plan. This wording is intended to be helpful but alternative wording of like effect may be equally acceptable. Text quoted from the Proposed Plan Change is shown in *Italics*. The wording of relief sought shows new text as underlined and original text to be deleted as ~~strikethrough~~.

Unless specified in each submission point, my reasons for supporting are that the provisions are consistent with the purposes of the Act.

PLAN PROVISION	SUPPORT/OPPOSE	REASON	RELIEF SOUGHT
Entire Plan Change	Support	<p>I support the overall approach of providing for Sites and Areas of Significance to Māori as giving effect to the relevant higher order documents.</p> <p>For the avoidance of doubt, provisions which are not specifically addressed below are supported for the reasons given in the s32 Report.</p>	Retain as notified.
SASM-O4, SASM-P3 and SASM-R1 Objective, Policy and Rule for Mahika kai	Support	The proposed approach will appropriately enable mana whenua to practice mahika kai activities, while also providing environmental protection through the application of tikaka.	Retain as notified.