

Public Notice

Public Notification of Extension of Time to Make a Decision on PC18

Clause 10A of the First Schedule – Part 1 of the Resource Management Act 1991

As part of the first stage of the review of the *Mackenzie District Plan 2004*, the Mackenzie District Council has prepared **Proposed Plan Change 18: Indigenous Biodiversity.**

The Minister for the Environment has granted Mackenzie District Council a further six-month extension of time to give a decision on Plan Change 18, pursuant to Clause 10A of Schedule 1 of the Resource Management Act 1991.

The decision date has been extended to 30 June 2021.

The reasons for the Minister's decision are:

- a. Granting the extension will provide a clear statutory basis for Mackenzie District Council to make a decision on PC18.
- b. Mackenzie District Council has advised that although their work was impacted by COVID-19, they have completed the additional policy and evidence required for PC18 hearings to proceed. They have secured commissioners they consider appropriate for the hearings panel to ensure that a high-quality decision can be made.
- c. The total number of extensions that may be granted under clause 10A of Schedule 1 is not specified and Mackenize District Council have met the statutory requirements for making an application.

For further information on Plan Change 18, please contact the Planning Department on 03 685 9010 or by email planning@mackenzie.govt.nz

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