

**BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENT COURT
AT CHRISTCHURCH**

ENV-2021-CHC-92,93,94

I MUA I TE KOOTI TAIAO AOTEAROA

IN THE MATTER of the Resource Management Act 1991

AND

IN THE MATTER of appeals under clause 14(1) of the First Schedule of the Act in relation to Proposed Plan Change 18 of the Mackenzie District Plan.

BETWEEN **THE DIRECTOR-GENERAL OF CONSERVATION**
Appellant

AND **THE ROYAL FOREST AND BIRD PROTECTION
SOCIETY OF NEW ZEALAND INCORPORATED**
Appellant

AND **THE ENVIRONMENTAL DEFENCE SOCIETY
INCORPORATED**
Appellant

AND **MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL**
Respondent

**NOTICE OF MACKENZIE GUARDIANS INCORPORATED'S WISH TO BECOME A
PARTY TO PROCEEDINGS**

25 August 2021

Mackenzie Guardians Incorporated
6 Homebush Road
Glentunnel 7638

The Registrar
Environment Court
Christchurch

1. The **MACKENZIE GUARDIANS INCORPORATED (MG)** gives notice under section 274 of the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA) that it wishes to be a party to the following proceedings:
 - a. **The Director–General of Conservation v Mackenzie District Council. ENV-2021-CHC-92.**
 - b. **The Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society of New Zealand Incorporated v Mackenzie District Council. ENV-2021-CHC-93.**
 - c. **Environmental Defence Society Incorporated v Mackenzie District Council. ENV-2021-CHC-94.**
2. These are appeals by the above listed appellants against parts of the Mackenzie District Council (the **Council**) decision on Proposed Plan Change 18 (**PC18**) of the Mackenzie District Plan.
3. MG is a person who has an interest in the proceedings that is greater than the interest that the general public has for the following reasons:
 - a) It was registered as an incorporated society on 1 October 2009 with the objective to promote the protection of the natural/naturalistic wildlife, water, vegetation, heritage, and landscape values of the Mackenzie Country and;
 - b) Since it was formed it has participated in several plan and policy development processes in order to achieve its objectives on behalf of concerned members of the community in the Canterbury region, and around New Zealand.
4. MG made a submission and further submission on Proposed PC18 and made an oral submission at the Mackenzie District Council hearing.
5. MG is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C of the RMA.
6. MG received notice of the appeals on 5th and 6th of August 2021.
7. MG is interested in all of the matters in each of the proceedings.

8. **MG supports** the relief sought by the appellants for the following reasons:

Parts of the PC18 decision

- (a) are not consistent with Part 2 of the RMA.
- (b) Do not give effect to the relevant provisions of the Canterbury Regional Policy Statement (CRPS).
- (c) Fails to implement the Council's functions under section 31 of the RMA.
- (d) Do not represent best resource management practice.

9. MG agree to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.

Dated at Glentunnel this 25th day of August 2021.

Signed for and on behalf of the **MACKENZIE GUARDIANS INCORPORATED** by its duly authorised agent

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