

**BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENT COURT
AUCKLAND REGISTRY**

ENV-2021-AKL-000086

**I MUA I TE KOOTI TAIAO O AOTEAROA
TĀMAKI MAKAURAU**

IN THE MATTER of the Resource
Management Act 1991
(the **RMA**)

AND

IN THE MATTER of an appeal under
clause 14(1) of the First
Schedule of the RMA

BETWEEN **WAKA KOTAHI NEW
ZEALAND
TRANSPORT
AGENCY**

Appellant

AND **WAIKATO DISTRICT
COUNCIL**

Respondent

**NOTICE OF WAIKATO REGIONAL COUNCIL'S
WISH TO BE PARTY TO AN APPEAL BY WAKA KOTAHI NEW ZEALAND
TRANSPORT AGENCY**

Dated: 23 July 2021

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To: The Registrar
Environment Court
Auckland

1. The Waikato Regional Council wishes to be a party to Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency's appeal (filed on 6 July 2021) in respect of the Waikato District Council's decision (**Decision**) to rezone land at Ohinewai under the Proposed Waikato District Plan (**Proposed WDP**). The Decision allowed the proposed zoning sought in a submission by Ambury Properties Limited (**Ambury**) of rural land at Ohinewai to Industrial, Commercial, Residential and Public Open Space zone (**Proposed Zoning**).
2. The Waikato Regional Council made a further submission on 15 July 2019 opposing Ambury's submission. The Waikato Regional Council has also appealed the Decision (Waikato Regional Council Appeal: ENV-2021-AKL-000073).
3. The Waikato Regional Council is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C or 308D of the RMA.
4. The Waikato Regional Council is interested in all of the proceedings. The appeals by the Waikato Regional Council and Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency seek changes as they relate to the Proposed Zoning in respect of appropriately or adequately integrating land use and infrastructure/planning, including without limitation, transportation, and community facilities. Central to the appeals is how the Decision seeks to give effect to the Waikato Regional Policy Statement, the National Policy Statement on Urban Development 2020 and Part 2 of the RMA.
5. The Waikato Regional Council supports the relief sought by Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency to the extent it is consistent with the Waikato Regional Council's appeal.

6. The Waikato Regional Council agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.

DATED at Auckland this 23rd day of July 2021.



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