

**IN THE ENVIRONMENT COURT
AUCKLAND REGISTRY**

ENV-2022-AKL-000042

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 the
Proposed Waikato District Plan

BETWEEN **Fonterra Co-Operative Group Ltd**

Appellant

AND **Waikato District Council**

Respondent

**NOTICE OF WISH TO BE
PARTY TO PROCEEDINGS PURSUANT TO
SECTION 274 RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991**

To: The Registrar

Environment Court

Auckland

1. Horticulture New Zealand ("**HortNZ**") wishes to be a party pursuant to section 274 of the Resource Management Act 1991 ("**RMA**") to the following proceedings:
 - (a) Fonterra Co-Operative Group Ltd v Waikato District Council (**ENV-2022-AKL-000042**) being an appeal against decisions of the Waikato District Council on the Proposed Waikato District Plan.
2. HortNZ made submissions and further submissions on the Proposed Waikato District Plan (submission number 419 and further submission number FS1168 for Stage 1, submission number 2149 and further submission number FS3027 for Stage 2).
3. HortNZ also has an interest in these proceedings that is greater than the general public as it represents interest groups in the community that are likely to be affected by the proposed relief sought by the Appellant.
4. HortNZ is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the RMA.
5. HortNZ is interested in part of the proceedings.
6. The parts of the proceedings HortNZ is interested in, including the particular issues and whether HortNZ supports, opposes or conditionally opposes the relief sought are set out in the attached table.
7. HortNZ agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.

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Provision or decision appealed by Appellant	Support / Oppose	Reason
GRUZ-P13	Support in part	Support an onus on new activities to be appropriately separated from productive rural activities in the rural environment (through method such as setbacks).
<p>Seeking the following definition of "Reserve Sensitivity: be included in the Interpretation Definitions section:</p> <p><u>Means the vulnerability of a lawfully established activity to a new activity or land use. It arises when a lawfully established activity causes potential, actual or perceived adverse environmental effects on the new activity, to a point where the new activity may seek to restrict the operation or require mitigation of the effects of the established activity</u></p>	Support	HortNZ's submission sought a definition for reverse sensitivity – it is a term of relevance to the framework applying to the Rural environment. The definition sought is consistent with the description of reverse sensitivity in the Waikato RPS.