

**BEFORE THE ENVIRONMENT COURT
AT AUCKLAND**

**I MUA I TE KŌTI TAIAO
TĀMAKI MAKAURAU ROHE**

ENV-2022-AKL-000051

UNDER section 274 of the Resource Management Act 1991

IN THE MATTER of an appeal against decisions on the proposed Waikato District Plan

BETWEEN **Federated Farmers of New Zealand**
Appellant

A N D **Waikato District Council**
Respondent

SECTION 274 NOTICE BY KĀINGA ORA-HOMES AND COMMUNITIES

22 March 2022

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SECTION 274 NOTICE BY KĀINGA ORA-HOMES AND COMMUNITIES

**TO: The Registrar
Environment Court
Auckland**

KĀINGA ORA-HOMES AND COMMUNITIES (“Kāinga Ora”) gives notice under section 274 of the Resource Management Act 1991 (“**RMA**”) that it wishes to be a party to the appeal (“**Appeal**”) by Federated Farmers of New Zealand against the decision of the Respondent on the proposed Waikato District Plan (“**PDP**”).

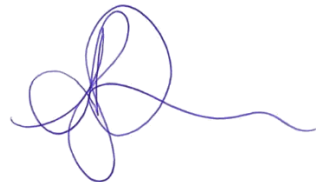
1. Kāinga Ora made submissions about the subject matter of the proceedings. Amongst other things, Kāinga Ora’s submission and further submission on the PDP addressed the provisions relating to the National Grid and Natural Hazards.
2. Kāinga Ora is also a person who has an interest in the proceedings that is greater than the interest the general public has on the grounds that Kāinga Ora:
 - (a) Manages a public housing portfolio in the Waikato District comprising approximately 393 dwellings¹, including dwellings located on land that will be directly affected by the relief sought in the appeal; and
 - (b) Has statutory roles and responsibilities under the Kāinga Ora – Homes and Communities Act 2019 which broadly relate to ensuring that projects and planning instruments do not inappropriately affect the quality, supply and affordability of housing.
3. Kāinga Ora is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the RMA. In any event, Kāinga Ora is directly affected by an effect of the subject of the appeal that:
 - 3.1 Adversely affects the environment; and

¹ As at December 2021.

- 3.2 Does not relate to trade competition or the effects of trade competition.
4. Kāinga Ora is interested in the aspects of the appeal relief that relate to Natural Hazards and the National Grid. Kāinga Ora generally supports the relief sought in respect of:
- 4.1 Natural hazards, as it supports a more nuanced approach to assessing the acceptability of risk from natural hazards.
- 4.2 The national grid, as it will provide a more appropriate balance by more efficiently managing activities in close proximity to and under the National Grid, whilst still giving effect to the National Policy Statement on Electricity Transmission.
5. Kāinga Ora agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.

DATED at Auckland this 22nd day of March 2022

KĀINGA ORA-HOMES AND COMMUNITIES
by its solicitors and duly authorised agents
Ellis Gould



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