Working Table: Chapter 3 Natural Environment

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Chapter 3: Natural Environment 3.1 Indigenous Vegetation and Habitats 3.1.1 Objective – Biodiversity and ecosystems (a) Indigenous biodiversity values and the life-supporting capacity of indigenous ecosystems are maintained or enhanced.	PART 2 – DISTRICT-WIDE MATTERS NATURAL ENVIRONMENT VALUES Chapter: ECO - Ecosystems and indigenous biodiversity	NE - Natural Environment Indigenous Vegetation and Habitats ECO-Ox - Biodiversity and ecosystems (1) Indigenous biodiversity values and the life-supporting capacity of indigenous ecosystems are maintained or enhanced.	7. District-wide Matters Standard Direction 19: If the following matters are addressed, they must be located in the Ecosystems and indigenous biodiversity chapter: a. identification and management of significant natural areas, including under s6(c) of the RMA b. maintenance of biological diversity c. intrinsic values of ecosystems and indigenous biodiversity.
3.1.2 Policies	PART 2 –	ECO-Px - Biodiversity and ecosystems	7. District-wide Matters
 (a) Enable activities that maintain or enhance indigenous biodiversity including: (i) planting using indigenous species suitable to the habitat; (ii) the removal or management of pest plant and animal species; (iii) biosecurity works. (b) Consider the following when avoiding, remedying or mitigating adverse effects on indigenous biodiversity: (i) the required range of natural food sources; 	DISTRICT-WIDE MATTERS NATURAL ENVIRONMENT VALUES Chapter: ECO - Ecosystems and indigenous biodiversity	 Enable activities that maintain or enhance indigenous biodiversity including: (a) planting using indigenous species suitable to the habitat; (b) the removal or management of pest plant and animal species; (c) biosecurity works. Consider the following when avoiding, remedying or mitigating adverse effects on indigenous biodiversity: (a) the required range of natural food sources; (b) habitats of threatened and at risk species; (c) ecological processes and corridors; 	Standard Direction 19: If the following matters are addressed, they must be located in the Ecosystems and indigenous biodiversity chapter: a. identification and management of significant natural areas, including under s6(c) of the RMA

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(ii) habitats of threatened and at risk species; (iii) ecological processes and corridors; (iv) ecological sequences; (v) migratory pathways; (vi) pest plants and pest animals; (vii) the Waikato river and its catchment; (viii) natural character and landscape values of the area; (ix) natural waterway habitats and hydrology; (x) ecological corridors, natural processes and buffer areas; (xi) legal and physical protection of existing habitat; (c) Provide for the removal of manuka or kanuka on a sustainable basis.	DART 2	(d) ecological sequences; (e) migratory pathways; (f) pest plants and pest animals; (g) the Waikato river and its catchment; (h) natural character and landscape values of the area; (i) natural waterway habitats and hydrology; (j) ecological corridors, natural processes and buffer areas; (k) legal and physical protection of existing habitat; (3) Provide for the removal of manuka or kanuka on a sustainable basis.	b. maintenance of biological diversity c. intrinsic values of ecosystems and indigenous biodiversity.
 3.2 Significant Natural Areas 3.2.1 Objective – Significant Natural Areas (a) Indigenous biodiversity in Significant Natural Areas is protected and enhanced. 	PART 2 – DISTRICT-WIDE MATTERS NATURAL ENVIRONMENT VALUES Chapter: ECO - Ecosystems and indigenous biodiversity	Significant Natural Areas ECO-Ox - Significant Natural Areas (I) Indigenous biodiversity in Significant Natural Areas is protected and enhanced.	7. District-wide Matters Standard Direction 19: If the following matters are addressed, they must be located in the Ecosystems and indigenous biodiversity chapter: a. identification and management of significant natural areas, including under s6(c) of the RMA b. maintenance of biological diversity c. intrinsic values of ecosystems and indigenous biodiversity.
3.2.2 Policy - Identify and Recognise (a) Identify significant indigenous vegetation and habitats of indigenous fauna in accordance with the Waikato Regional Policy Statement and identify as Significant Natural Areas (b) Recognise and protect Significant Natural Areas by ensuring the characteristics that contribute to their significance are not adversely affected.	PART 2 – DISTRICT-WIDE MATTERS NATURAL ENVIRONMENT VALUES	ECO-Px - Identify and Recognise (I) Identify significant indigenous vegetation and habitats of indigenous fauna in accordance with the Waikato Regional Policy Statement and identify as Significant Natural Areas (2) Recognise and protect Significant Natural Areas by ensuring the characteristics that contribute to their significance are not adversely affected.	7. District-wide Matters Standard Direction 19: If the following matters are addressed, they must be located in the Ecosystems and indigenous biodiversity chapter: a. identification and management of significant

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3.2.3 Policy - Management hierarchy (a) Recognise and protect indigenous biodiversity within Significant Natural Areas by: (i) avoiding the significant adverse effects of vegetation clearance and the disturbance of habitats unless specific activities need to be enabled; (ii) remedying any effects that cannot be avoided; then (iii) mitigating any effects that cannot be remedied; and (iv) after remediation or mitigation has been undertaken,	Chapter: ECO - Ecosystems and indigenous biodiversity PART 2 - DISTRICT-WIDE MATTERS NATURAL ENVIRONMENT VALUES Chapter: ECO -	ECO-Px - Management hierarchy (I) Recognise and protect indigenous biodiversity within Significant Natural Areas by: (a) avoiding the significant adverse effects of vegetation clearance and the disturbance of habitats unless specific activities need to be enabled; (b) remedying any effects that cannot be avoided; then (c) mitigating any effects that cannot be remedied; and (d) after remediation or mitigation has been undertaken, offset	natural areas, including under s6(c) of the RMA b. maintenance of biological diversity c. intrinsic values of ecosystems and indigenous biodiversity. 7. District-wide Matters Standard Direction 19: If the following matters are addressed, they must be located in the Ecosystems and indigenous biodiversity chapter: a. identification and
offset any significant residual adverse effects in accordance with Policy 3.2.4.	Ecosystems and indigenous biodiversity	any significant residual adverse effects in accordance with Policy 3.2.4.	management of significant natural areas, including under s6(c) of the RMA b. maintenance of biological diversity c. intrinsic values of ecosystems and indigenous biodiversity.
3.2.4 Policy – Biodiversity Offsetting	PART 2 –	ECO-Px - Biodiversity Offsetting	7. District-wide Matters
 (a) Allow for a biodiversity offset to be offered by a resource consent applicant where an activity will result in significant residual adverse effects on a Significant Natural Area, or on indigenous biodiversity outside such Significant Natural Areas. (b) Within a Significant Natural Area, a biodiversity offset will only be considered appropriate where adverse effects have been avoided, remedied or mitigated in accordance with the hierarchy established in Policy 3.2.3; and (i) the biodiversity offset is consistent with the framework detailed in Appendix 6 Biodiversity Offsetting; and (ii) the biodiversity offset can achieve no net loss of indigenous biodiversity: preferably in the affected area of Significant Natural Area; or where that is not practicable, in the ecological district in which the affected area of Significant 	DISTRICT-WIDE MATTERS NATURAL ENVIRONMENT VALUES Chapter: ECO - Ecosystems and indigenous biodiversity	 Allow for a biodiversity offset to be offered by a resource consent applicant where an activity will result in significant residual adverse effects on a Significant Natural Area, or on indigenous biodiversity outside such Significant Natural Areas. Within a Significant Natural Area, a biodiversity offset will only be considered appropriate where adverse effects have been avoided, remedied or mitigated in accordance with the hierarchy established in Policy 3.2.3; and the biodiversity offset is consistent with the framework detailed in Appendix 6 Biodiversity Offsetting; and the biodiversity offset can achieve no net loss of indigenous biodiversity: preferably in the affected area of Significant Natural Area; or where that is not practicable, in the ecological district in which the affected area of Significant Natural Area is located. 	Standard Direction 19: If the following matters are addressed, they must be located in the Ecosystems and indigenous biodiversity chapter: a. identification and management of significant natural areas, including under s6(c) of the RMA b. maintenance of biological diversity c. intrinsic values of ecosystems and indigenous biodiversity.

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3.2.5 Policy - Biodiversity in the coastal environment (a) Avoid the adverse effects of subdivision use and development within Significant Natural Areas of the coastal environment on: (i) indigenous species that are listed as threatened or at risk in the New Zealand Threat Classification System lists (ii) habitats of indigenous species where the species are listed as threatened or at risk, are at the limit of their natural range, or are naturally rare (iii) areas containing nationally-significant examples of indigenous community types (iv) indigenous ecosystems and vegetation types that are threatened in the coastal environment, or are naturally rare, and (v) areas set aside for full or partial protection of indigenous biological diversity under legislation.		DUPLICATE ECO-Px - Biodiversity in the coastal environment (1) Avoid the adverse effects of subdivision use and development within Significant Natural Areas of the coastal environment on: (a) indigenous species that are listed as threatened or at risk in the New Zealand Threat Classification System lists (b) habitats of indigenous species where the species are listed as threatened or at risk, are at the limit of their natural range, or are naturally rare (c) areas containing nationally-significant examples of indigenous community types (d) indigenous ecosystems and vegetation types that are threatened in the coastal environment, or are naturally rare, and (e) areas set aside for full or partial protection of indigenous biological diversity under legislation. CE-Px - Biodiversity in the coastal environment (1) Avoid the adverse effects of subdivision use and development within Significant Natural Areas of the coastal environment on: (a) indigenous species that are listed as threatened or at risk in the New Zealand Threat Classification System lists (b) habitats of indigenous species where the species are listed as threatened or at risk, are at the limit of their natural range, or are naturally rare (c) areas containing nationally-significant examples of indigenous community types (d) indigenous ecosystems and vegetation types that are threatened in the coastal environment, or are naturally rare, and (e) areas set aside for full or partial protection of indigenous biological diversity under legislation.	7. District-wide Matters Standard Direction 19: If the following matters are addressed, they must be located in the Ecosystems and indigenous biodiversity chapter: a. identification and management of significant natural areas, including under s6(c) of the RMA b. maintenance of biological diversity c. intrinsic values of ecosystems and indigenous biodiversity. Direction 28: If the district has a coastline, a Coastal environment chapter must be provided that: a. sets out the approach to managing the coastal environment and giving effect to the NZCPS b. sets out provisions for implementing the local authorities functions and duties in relation to the coastal environment,
3.2.6 Policy - Providing for vegetation clearance (a) Provide for the clearance of indigenous vegetation in Significant Natural Areas when: (i) maintaining tracks, fences and farm drains (ii) avoiding loss of life injury or damage to property	PART 2 – DISTRICT-WIDE MATTERS	biological diversity under legislation. ECO-Px - Providing for vegetation clearance (I) Provide for the clearance of indigenous vegetation in Significant Natural Areas when: (a) maintaining tracks, fences and farm drains (b) avoiding loss of life injury or damage to property	including coastal hazards c. provides cross- references to any other specific coastal provisions that may be located within other chapters. 7. District-wide Matters Standard Direction 19: If the following matters are addressed, they must be located in the Ecosystems

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(iii) collecting material to maintain traditional Maaori cultural practices (iv) collecting firewood for domestic use (b) Provide for the clearance of indigenous vegetation in Significant Natural Areas for the construction of building platforms, services, access, vehicle parking and on-site manoeuvring and the development of Maaori Freehold Land by: (i) using any existing cleared areas on a site that are suitable to accommodate new development in the first instance; (ii) using any practicable alternative locations that would reduce the need for vegetation removal; (iii) retaining indigenous vegetation which contributes to the ecological significance of a site, taking into account any loss that may be unavoidable to create a building platform, services, access, vehicle parking and manoeuvring on a site; (iv) Firewood.	Relocation required NATURAL ENVIRONMENT VALUES Chapter: ECO - Ecosystems and indigenous biodiversity	(c) collecting material to maintain traditional Maaori cultural practices (d) collecting firewood for domestic use (2) Provide for the clearance of indigenous vegetation in Significant Natural Areas for the construction of building platforms, services, access, vehicle parking and on-site manoeuvring and the development of Maaori Freehold Land by: (a) using any existing cleared areas on a site that are suitable to accommodate new development in the first instance; (b) using any practicable alternative locations that would reduce the need for vegetation removal; (c) retaining indigenous vegetation which contributes to the ecological significance of a site, taking into account any loss that may be unavoidable to create a building platform, services, access, vehicle parking and manoeuvring on a site; (d) Firewood.	and indigenous biodiversity chapter: a. identification and management of significant natural areas, including under s6(c) of the RMA b. maintenance of biological diversity c. intrinsic values of ecosystems and indigenous biodiversity.
3.2.7 Policy - Managing Significant Natural Areas (a) Promote the management of Significant Natural Areas in a way that protects their long-term ecological functioning and indigenous biodiversity values, through such means as: (i) permanently excluding stock through voluntary covenants and conservation subdivisions (ii) undertaking plant and animal pest control (iii) retaining and enhancing indigenous vegetation cover (iv) maintaining and restoring natural wetland hydrology (v) avoiding physical and legal fragmentation (vi) legal protection of Significant Natural Areas through conservation covenants or similar mechanisms (vii) providing for the role of Mana Whenua as kaitiaki and for the practical exercise of kaitiakitanga in restoring, protecting and enhancing areas.	PART 2 – DISTRICT-WIDE MATTERS NATURAL ENVIRONMENT VALUES Chapter: ECO - Ecosystems and indigenous biodiversity	(I) Promote the management of Significant Natural Areas in a way that protects their long-term ecological functioning and indigenous biodiversity values, through such means as: (a) permanently excluding stock through voluntary covenants and conservation subdivisions (b) undertaking plant and animal pest control (c) retaining and enhancing indigenous vegetation cover (d) maintaining and restoring natural wetland hydrology (e) avoiding physical and legal fragmentation (f) legal protection of Significant Natural Areas through conservation covenants or similar mechanisms (g) providing for the role of Mana Whenua as kaitiaki and for the practical exercise of kaitiakitanga in restoring, protecting and enhancing areas.	7. District-wide Matters Standard Direction 19: If the following matters are addressed, they must be located in the Ecosystems and indigenous biodiversity chapter: a. identification and management of significant natural areas, including under s6(c) of the RMA b. maintenance of biological diversity c. intrinsic values of ecosystems and indigenous biodiversity.
3.2.8 Policy – Incentivise subdivision (a) Incentivise subdivision in the Rural Zone when there is the legal and physical protection of Significant Natural Areas, provided the areas are of a suitable size and quality to achieve a functioning ecosystem.	PART 2 – DISTRICT-WIDE MATTERS	ECO-Px - Incentivise subdivision (I) Incentivise subdivision in the General rural zone when there is the legal and physical protection of Significant Natural Areas, provided the areas are of a suitable size and quality to achieve a functioning ecosystem.	7. District-wide Matters Standard Direction 19: If the following matters are addressed, they must be located in the Ecosystems

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3.3 Outstanding Natural Features and Landscapes 3.3.1 Objective – Outstanding natural features and landscapes (a) Outstanding natural features and outstanding natural landscapes and their attributes are recognised and protected from	Relocation required NATURAL ENVIRONMENT VALUES Chapter: ECO - Ecosystems and indigenous biodiversity PART 2 - DISTRICT-WIDE MATTERS NATURAL	DUPLICATE NFL-Ox - Outstanding natural features and landscapes (I) Outstanding natural features and outstanding natural landscapes and their attributes are recognised and protected from inappropriate subdivision, use and development.	and indigenous biodiversity chapter: a. identification and management of significant natural areas, including under s6(c) of the RMA b. maintenance of biological diversity c. intrinsic values of ecosystems and indigenous biodiversity. 7. District-wide Matters Standard Direction 21: If the following matters are addressed, they must be
inappropriate subdivision, use and development.	ENVIRONMENT VALUES Chapter: NFL – Natural features and landscapes AND HISTORICAL AND CULTURAL VALUES Chapter: DWTW – District wide tangata whenua	Outstanding Natural Features and Landscapes DWTW-Ox - Outstanding natural features and landscapes (I) Outstanding natural features and outstanding natural landscapes and their attributes are recognised and protected from inappropriate subdivision, use and development.	located in the Natural features and landscapes chapter: a. identification of features and landscapes that are outstanding, significant or otherwise valued b. provisions to protect and manage outstanding natural features and landscapes c. provisions to manage other valued features and landscapes. Direction 18: Any additional chapters to address other historical and cultural values on a district-wide basis must be included alphabetically under the Historical and cultural
3.3.2 Policy – Recognising values and qualities	PART 2 –	NFL-Px Recognising values and qualities	values heading. 7. District-wide Matters
(a) Recognise the attributes of the district's mountains, bush clad ranges and hill country identified as outstanding natural features and outstanding natural landscapes including:	DISTRICT-WIDE MATTERS	(I) Recognise the attributes of the district's mountains, bush clad ranges and hill country identified as outstanding natural features and outstanding natural landscapes including:	Standard Direction 21: If the following matters are

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(i) ridgelines and valleys (ii) significant ecological values (iii) indigenous bush and the extent of this bush cover (iv) cultural heritage values associated with these areas (v) recreational attributes including walking and access tracks (vi) existing water reservoirs and dams (vii) existing pastoral farming activities on the margins of these areas (b) Recognise the attributes of the Waikato River delta and wetlands, Whangamarino Wetland and Lake Whangape identified as Outstanding Natural Features, including: (i) natural geomorphology and hydrological processes; (ii) significant habitat values; (iii) significant indigenous vegetation; (iv) cultural heritage values associated with these areas; (v) recreational use of these areas; and (vi) existing pastoral farming activities on the margins these areas. (c) Recognise the attributes of the west coast dunes identified as outstanding natural features, including: (i) natural geomorphology, patterns and processes; (ii) significant habitat values; (ii) significant indigenous vegetation; (iv) cultural heritage values associated with these areas; and (v) existing pastoral farming activities on the margins these areas.	Relocation required NATURAL ENVIRONMENT VALUES Chapter: NFL – Natural features and landscapes	(a) ridgelines and valleys (b) significant ecological values (c) indigenous bush and the extent of this bush cover (d) cultural heritage values associated with these areas (e) recreational attributes including walking and access tracks (f) existing water reservoirs and dams (g) existing pastoral farming activities on the margins of these areas (2) Recognise the attributes of the Waikato River delta and wetlands, Whangamarino Wetland and Lake Whangape identified as Outstanding Natural Features, including: (a) natural geomorphology and hydrological processes; (b) significant habitat values; (c) significant indigenous vegetation; (d) cultural heritage values associated with these areas; (e) recreational use of these areas; and (f) existing pastoral farming activities on the margins these areas. (3) Recognise the attributes of the west coast dunes identified as outstanding natural features, including: (a) natural geomorphology, patterns and processes; (b) significant habitat values; (c) significant indigenous vegetation; (d) cultural heritage values associated with these areas; and (e) existing pastoral farming activities on the margins these areas.	addressed, they must be located in the Natural features and landscapes chapter: a. identification of features and landscapes that are outstanding, significant or otherwise valued b. provisions to protect and manage outstanding natural features and landscapes c. provisions to manage other valued features and landscapes.
3.3.3 Policy - Protection from inappropriate subdivision, use and development	PART 2 – DISTRICT-WIDE	NFL-Px - Protection from inappropriate subdivision, use and development	7. District-wide Matters Standard
(a) Ensure that the attributes of identified Outstanding Natural Features and Outstanding Natural Landscapes are protected from inappropriate subdivision, use and development by: (i) requiring buildings and structures to be integrated into the outstanding natural landscape or feature to minimise any visual impacts; (ii) managing the adverse effects of building platforms, buildings, driveways and roads through appropriate subdivision design; (iii) requiring subdivision and development to retain views of outstanding natural landscapes and features from public places; and	MATTERS NATURAL ENVIRONMENT VALUES Chapter: NFL – Natural features and landscapes	(I) Ensure that the attributes of identified Outstanding Natural Features and Outstanding Natural Landscapes are protected from inappropriate subdivision, use and development by: (a) requiring buildings and structures to be integrated into the outstanding natural landscape or feature to minimise any visual impacts; (b) managing the adverse effects of building platforms, buildings, driveways and roads through appropriate subdivision design; (c) requiring subdivision and development to retain views of outstanding natural landscapes and features from public places; and (d) avoiding the adverse effects of extractive industries and earthworks.	Direction 21: If the following matters are addressed, they must be located in the Natural features and landscapes chapter: a. identification of features and landscapes that are outstanding, significant or otherwise valued b. provisions to protect and manage outstanding natural features and landscapes

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(iv) avoiding the adverse effects of extractive industries and earthworks.	•		c. provisions to manage other valued features and landscapes.
 3.3.4 Policy - The relationships of Maaori with natural resources and land (a) Provide for the consideration of cultural and spiritual relationships of Maaori with Outstanding Natural Features and Outstanding Natural Landscapes as part of subdivision, use and development. (b) Provide for the development of Maaori Freehold Land, within Outstanding Natural Features and Landscapes, including within the Whaanga Coast Specific Area. (c) Provide for Maaori cultural and customary uses of natural resources, including land, water and other natural resources as an integral part of identified Outstanding Natural Features and Outstanding Natural Landscapes. 	PART 2 – DISTRICT-WIDE MATTERS NATURAL ENVIRONMENT VALUES Chapter: NFL – Natural features and landscapes AND HISTORICAL AND CULTURAL VALUES Chapter: DWTW – District wide tangata whenua	NFL-Px - The relationships of Maaori with natural resources and land (1) Provide for the consideration of cultural and spiritual relationships of Maaori with Outstanding Natural Features and Outstanding Natural Landscapes as part of subdivision, use and development. (2) Provide for the development of Maaori Freehold Land, within Outstanding Natural Features and Landscapes, including within the Whaanga Coast Specific Area. (3) Provide for Maaori cultural and customary uses of natural resources, including land, water and other natural resources as an integral part of identified Outstanding Natural Features and Outstanding Natural Landscapes. DWTW-Px - The relationships of Maaori with natural resources and land (1) Provide for the consideration of cultural and spiritual relationships of Maaori with Outstanding Natural Features and Outstanding Natural Landscapes as part of subdivision, use and development. (2) Provide for the development of Maaori Freehold Land, within Outstanding Natural Features and Landscapes, including within the Whaanga Coast Specific Area. (3) Provide for Maaori cultural and customary uses of natural resources, including land, water and other natural resources as an integral part of identified Outstanding Natural Features and Outstanding Natural Landscapes.	7. District-wide Matters Standard Direction 21: If the following matters are addressed, they must be located in the Natural features and landscapes chapter: a. identification of features and landscapes that are outstanding, significant or otherwise valued b. provisions to protect and manage outstanding natural features and landscapes c. provisions to manage other valued features and landscapes. Direction 18: Any additional chapters to address other historical and cultural values on a district- wide basis must be included alphabetically under the Historical and cultural values heading.
 3.4 Significant Amenity Landscapes 3.4.1 Objective – Significant amenity landscapes (a) The attributes of areas and features valued for their contribution to landscape values and visual amenity are maintained or enhanced. 	PART 2 – DISTRICT-WIDE MATTERS NATURAL ENVIRONMENT VALUES	DUPLICATE Significant Amenity Landscapes NFL-Ox - Significant amenity landscapes (1) The attributes of areas and features valued for their contribution to landscape values and visual amenity are maintained or enhanced. Significant Amenity Landscapes	7. District-wide Matters Standard Direction 21: If the following matters are addressed, they must be located in the Natural features and landscapes chapter:

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	Chapter: NFL – Natural features and landscapes AND HISTORIC AND CULTURAL VALUES Chapter: DWTW – District wide tangata whenua	 DWTW-Ox - Significant amenity landscapes (1) The attributes of areas and features valued for their contribution to landscape values and visual amenity are maintained or enhanced. 	a. identification of features and landscapes that are outstanding, significant or otherwise valued b. provisions to protect and manage outstanding natural features and landscapes c. provisions to manage other valued features and landscapes.
3.4.2 Policy – Recognising Significant Amenity Landscapes (a) Recognise the attributes which contribute to identified Significant Amenity Landscapes Amenity Landscapes	PART 2 – DISTRICT-WIDE MATTERS NATURAL ENVIRONMENT VALUES Chapter: NFL – Natural features and landscapes	NFL-Px - Recognising Significant Amenity Landscapes (I) Recognise the attributes which contribute to identified Significant Amenity Landscapes	7. District-wide Matters Standard Direction 21: If the following matters are addressed, they must be located in the Natural features and landscapes chapter: a. identification of features and landscapes that are outstanding, significant or otherwise valued b. provisions to protect and manage outstanding natural features and landscapes c. provisions to manage other valued features and landscapes.
3.4.3 Policy – Maintaining and enhancing Significant Amenity Landscapes (a) Maintain and enhance identified Significant Amenity Landscapes, during subdivision, land use and development, in particular by: (i) requiring buildings and structures to be integrated into the Significant Amenity Landscape to minimise any visual impacts; (ii) managing the adverse effects of building platforms, buildings, driveways and roads through appropriate subdivision design;	PART 2 – DISTRICT-WIDE MATTERS NATURAL ENVIRONMENT VALUES	NFL-Px - Maintaining and enhancing Significant Amenity Landscapes (I) Maintain and enhance identified Significant Amenity Landscapes, during subdivision, land use and development, in particular by: (a) requiring buildings and structures to be integrated into the Significant Amenity Landscape to minimise any visual impacts; (b) managing the adverse effects of building platforms, buildings, driveways and roads through appropriate subdivision design;	7. District-wide Matters Standard Direction 21: If the following matters are addressed, they must be located in the Natural features and landscapes chapter: a. identification of features and landscapes that are

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(iii) providing for the continuation of farming activities within hill country landscapes and volcanic features; (iv) managing the adverse effects of earthworks; and (v) promoting and encouraging maintenance and enhancement of their attributes. 3.4.4 Policy - The relationships of Maaori with their resources and land (a) Provide for the cultural and spiritual relationships of Maaori with Significant Amenity Landscapes during subdivision, use and development. (b) Provide for the development of Maaori Freehold Land within Significant Amenity Landscapes. (c) Provide for Maaori cultural and customary uses of natural resources, including land, water and other natural resources as an integral part of identified Significant Amenity Landscapes.	Relocation required Chapter: NFL – Natural features and landscapes PART 2 – DISTRICT-WIDE MATTERS NATURAL ENVIRONMENT VALUES Chapter: NFL – Natural features and landscapes AND HISTORIC AND CULTURAL VALUES	(c) providing for the continuation of farming activities within hill country landscapes and volcanic features; (d) managing the adverse effects of earthworks; and (e) promoting and encouraging maintenance and enhancement of their attributes. DUPLICATE NFL-Px - The relationships of Maaori with their resources and land (1) Provide for the cultural and spiritual relationships of Maaori with Significant Amenity Landscapes during subdivision, use and development. (2) Provide for the development of Maaori Freehold Land within Significant Amenity Landscapes. (3) Provide for Maaori cultural and customary uses of natural resources, including land, water and other natural resources as an integral part of identified Significant Amenity Landscapes. DWTW-Px - The relationships of Maaori with their resources and land (1) Provide for the cultural and spiritual relationships of Maaori with Significant Amenity Landscapes during subdivision, use and development. (2) Provide for the development of Maaori Freehold Land within	outstanding, significant or otherwise valued b. provisions to protect and manage outstanding natural features and landscapes c. provisions to manage other valued features and landscapes. 7. District-wide Matters Standard Direction 21: If the following matters are addressed, they must be located in the Natural features and landscapes chapter: a. identification of features and landscapes that are outstanding, significant or otherwise valued b. provisions to protect and manage outstanding natural features and landscapes c. provisions to manage other valued features and landscapes.
	Chapter: DWTW – District wide tangata whenua	Significant Amenity Landscapes. (3) Provide for Maaori cultural and customary uses of natural resources, including land, water and other natural resources as an integral part of identified Significant Amenity Landscapes.	Direction 18: Any additional chapters to address other historical and cultural values on a district-wide basis must be included alphabetically under the Historical and cultural values heading.

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3.5 Natural Character	PART 2 -	DUPLICATE	7. District-wide Matters
3.5.1 Objectives - Natural Character	DISTRICT-WIDE MATTERS	Natural Character	Standard Natural environment
(a) The high and Outstanding Natural Character of the coastal	HATTERS	NATC-Ox - Natural Character	values
 environment is protected from inappropriate subdivision, use and development. (b) The natural character of wetlands, and lakes and rivers and their margins are protected from inappropriate subdivision, use and development. 	NATURAL ENVIRONMENT VALUES Chapter: NATC – Natural character	 The high and Outstanding Natural Character of the coastal environment is protected from inappropriate subdivision, use and development. The natural character of wetlands, and lakes and rivers and their margins are protected from inappropriate subdivision, use and development. 	Direction 20: If provisions to protect the natural character of wetlands, lakes and rivers and their margins are addressed, they must be located in the Natural character chapter.
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	GENERAL	CE-Ox - Natural Character	Direction 28: If the district has a coastline, a Coastal
	DISTRICT-WIDE MATTERS	(1) The high and Outstanding Natural Character of the coastal environment is protected from inappropriate subdivision, use and development.	environment chapter must be provided that: a. sets out the approach to
	Chapter: CE- Coastal environment	(2) The natural character of wetlands, and lakes and rivers and their margins are protected from inappropriate subdivision, use and development.	managing the coastal environment and giving effect to the NZCPS b. sets out provisions for
			implementing the local authorities functions and duties in relation to the coastal environment,
			including coastal hazards
			c. provides cross- references to any other
			specific coastal provisions that may be located within other chapters.
3.5.2 Policies - Recognising natural character	PART 2 –	DUPLICATE	7. District-wide Matters
(a) Recognise the following natural elements, patterns, processes and	DISTRICT-WIDE	NATC-Px - Recognising natural character	Standard
experiential qualities which contribute to natural character:	MATTERS	(I) Recognise the following natural elements, patterns, processes and	Natural environment
(i) areas or waterbodies in their natural states or close to		experiential qualities which contribute to natural character:	values
their natural state;	NATURAL	(a) areas or waterbodies in their natural states or close to their	<u>Direction 20</u> : If provisions
(ii) coastal or freshwater landforms and landscapes;(iii) coastal or freshwater physical processes, including the	ENVIRONMENT VALUES	natural state; (b) coastal or freshwater landforms and landscapes;	to protect the natural character of wetlands, lakes
 (iii) coastal or freshwater physical processes, including the movement of water and sediment; 	VALUES	(b) coastal or freshwater landforms and landscapes;(c) coastal or freshwater physical processes, including the	and rivers and their margins
(iv) biodiversity;	Chapter: NATC –	movement of water and sediment;	are addressed, they must
(v) biological processes and patterns;	Natural character	(d) biodiversity;	be located in the Natural
(vi) water flows and levels, and water quality; and	AND	(e) biological processes and patterns;(f) water flows and levels, and water quality; and	character chapter.

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(vii) the experience of the above elements, patterns and processes. (b) Recognise the natural character qualities of the following areas within the coastal environment and identified on the planning maps as: (i) Outstanding Natural Character areas; and (ii) high (and very high) natural character areas.	GENERAL DISTRICT-WIDE MATTERS Chapter: CE - Coastal environment	(g) the experience of the above elements, patterns and processes. (2) Recognise the natural character qualities of the following areas within the coastal environment and identified on the planning maps as: (a) Outstanding Natural Character areas; and (b) high (and very high) natural character areas. CE-Px - Recognising natural character (1) Recognise the following natural elements, patterns, processes and experiential qualities which contribute to natural character: (a) areas or waterbodies in their natural states or close to their natural state; (b) coastal or freshwater landforms and landscapes; (c) coastal or freshwater physical processes, including the movement of water and sediment; (d) biodiversity; (e) biological processes and patterns; (f) water flows and levels, and water quality; and (g) the experience of the above elements, patterns and processes. (2) Recognise the natural character qualities of the following areas within the coastal environment and identified on the planning maps as: (a) Outstanding Natural Character areas; and (b) high (and very high) natural character areas.	Direction 28: If the district has a coastline, a Coastal environment chapter must be provided that: a. sets out the approach to managing the coastal environment and giving effect to the NZCPS b. sets out provisions for implementing the local authorities functions and duties in relation to the coastal environment, including coastal hazards c. provides crossreferences to any other specific coastal provisions that may be located within other chapters.
3.5.3 Policy - Protecting the natural character qualities of the coastal environment	PART 2 – DISTRICT-WIDE	DUPLICATE NATC-Px - Protecting the natural character qualities of the	7. District-wide Matters Standard
(a) Protect the qualities of outstanding and high natural character areas in the coastal environment from inappropriate subdivision, use and development by: (i) managing the adverse effects of subdivision, use and development; (ii) avoiding significant adverse effects of subdivision, use and development;	NATURAL ENVIRONMENT VALUES Chapter: NATC –	coastal environment (1) Protect the qualities of outstanding and high natural character areas in the coastal environment from inappropriate subdivision, use and development by: (a) managing the adverse effects of subdivision, use and development; (b) avoiding significant adverse effects of subdivision, use and	Direction 20: If provisions to protect the natural character of wetlands, lakes and rivers and their margins are addressed, they must be located in the Natural character chapter.
(iii) avoiding subdivision, use and development within areas of outstanding natural character, where it would damage, diminish or compromise natural character; (iv) avoiding activities that damage the stability of identified	Natural character	development; (c) avoiding subdivision, use and development within areas of outstanding natural character, where it would damage, diminish or compromise natural character;	Direction 28: If the district has a coastline, a Coastal environment chapter must
coastal dune systems; (v) requiring appropriate building setbacks from riparian and coastal margins;	GENERAL DISTRICT-WIDE MATTERS	(d) avoiding activities that damage the stability of identified coastal dune systems; (e) requiring appropriate building setbacks from riparian and coastal margins;	be provided that: a. sets out the approach to managing the coastal

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(vii) (viii) (ix)	ensuring that activities are carried out in a way that maintains or enhances water quality in the coastal environment; enabling and concentrating development within existing settlements to avoid development sprawling along the coastline; recognising historic farming operations that continue today; avoiding the establishment of new plantation forestry.	Chapter: CE - Coastal environment	(f) ensuring that activities are carried out in a way that maintains or enhances water quality in the coastal environment; (g) enabling and concentrating development within existing settlements to avoid development sprawling along the coastline; (h) recognising historic farming operations that continue today; avoiding the establishment of new plantation forestry. CE-Px - Protecting the natural character qualities of the coastal environment (1) Protect the qualities of outstanding and high natural character areas in the coastal environment from inappropriate subdivision, use and development by: (a) managing the adverse effects of subdivision, use and development; (b) avoiding significant adverse effects of subdivision, use and development; (c) avoiding subdivision, use and development within areas of outstanding natural character, where it would damage, diminish or compromise natural character; (d) avoiding activities that damage the stability of identified coastal dune systems; (e) requiring appropriate building setbacks from riparian and coastal margins; (f) ensuring that activities are carried out in a way that maintains or enhances water quality in the coastal environment; (g) enabling and concentrating development within existing settlements to avoid development sprawling along the coastline; (h) recognising historic farming operations that continue today; (i) avoiding the establishment of new plantation forestry.	environment and giving effect to the NZCPS b. sets out provisions for implementing the local authorities functions and duties in relation to the coastal environment, including coastal hazards c. provides cross-references to any other specific coastal provisions that may be located within other chapters.
	y - Protecting the natural character of wetlands,	PART 2 –	NATC-Px - Protecting the natural character of wetlands, and	7. District-wide Matters
and lakes and rivers and their margins		DISTRICT-WIDE	lakes and rivers and their margins	Standard
(a) Protect the natural character qualities of wetlands, and lakes and		MATTERS	(I) Protect the natural character qualities of wetlands, and lakes and	Direction 20: If provisions
rivers and their margins from inappropriate subdivision, use and			rivers and their margins from inappropriate subdivision, use and	to protect the natural
/·		NATURAL	development by:	character of wetlands, lakes
(i)	ensuring that location, intensity, scale and form	ENVIRONMENT	(a) ensuring that location, intensity, scale and form	and rivers and their margins
	of subdivision, use and development are appropriate;	VALUES	of subdivision, use and development are appropriate;	are addressed, they must
(ii)	minimising, to the extent practicable, indigenous		(b) minimising, to the extent practicable, indigenous vegetation	be located in the Natural
	vegetation clearance and modification	Chapter: NATC -	clearance and modification (including earthworks,	character chapter.
	(including earthworks, disturbance and structures);	Natural character	disturbance and structures);	

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	(iii)	encouraging any new activities to consolidate within,		(c) encouraging any new activities to consolidate within, and	
		and around, existing developments or, where the		around, existing developments or, where the natural	
		natural character and landscape values have already		character and landscape values have already been	
		been compromised, to avoid development sprawling;		compromised, to avoid development sprawling; and	
		and		(d) requiring appropriate setbacks of activities from wetlands,	
	(iv)	requiring appropriate setbacks of activities from		lakes and rivers.	
		wetlands, lakes and rivers.			