

IN THE MATTER of an appeal under clause 14(1) of
the First Schedule of the Resource
Management Act 1991

AND IN THE MATTER OF the Proposed Southland Water
and Land Plan

BETWEEN **WILKINS FARMING CO**

Appellant

AND **SOUTHLAND REGIONAL
COUNCIL**

Respondent

**NOTICE PURSUANT TO SECTION 274
OF THE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991**

To: The Registrar
Environment Court
Christchurch

TAKE NOTICE that Federated Farmers of New Zealand Inc (Southland) gives notice pursuant to s274 of the Resource Management Act 1991 that it wishes to appear as a party to the above proceedings.

This Notice is made upon the following grounds:

- 1 Federated Farmers of New Zealand Inc (Southland) lodged a submission and Further submission to the Proposed Southland Water and Land Plan to which this appeal relates and/or has an interest in these proceedings that is greater than the public generally.
- 2 Federated Farmers of New Zealand Inc (Southland) is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308D of the Resource Management Act 1991.
- 3 Federated Farmers of New Zealand Inc (Southland) has an interest in all of the appeal, in particular in relation to:

Physiographic Policies

- Federated Farmers submitted and further submitted on Physiographic Zone Policies 4 to 12.
- We agree with the appellant that the purpose of the policies must be consistent with the overall objective of 'holding the line' prior to limit-setting.
- We retain an active interest in any appeals on these policies as any movement in wording will have a considerable impact on our members.

Policy 42 – Consideration of Water Permit applications

- Federated Farmers opposed the notified rule.
 - We did not consider it was appropriate to reduce the allocation within an existing permit where the catchment was over-allocated, provided the permit was lawfully established, and the rate and volume of the take was either the same or less than the lawfully established rate and volume.
 - We retain an active interest in any appeals on this Policy, given the potential impact on our members.
4. Federated Farmers of New Zealand Inc (Southland) agrees to attend mediation and/or dispute resolution in regard to these proceedings.

Dated the 22nd day of June 2018



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