

In the Environment Court of New Zealand
Christchurch Registry

I Te Koti Taiao o Aotearoa
Ōtautahi Rohe

ENV-2018-CHC-30

Under	the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA)
In the matter of	an appeal under Clause 14(1) of Schedule 1 of the RMA in relation to the proposed Southland Water and Land Plan (pSWLP)
Between	Wilkins Farming Co Appellant
And	Southland Regional Council (Environment Southland) Respondent

Notice of Gore District Council, Southland District Council and Invercargill City Council (Territorial Authorities) wish to be party to proceedings pursuant to section 274 RMA

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To: The Registrar
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- 1 Gore District Council, Southland District Council and Invercargill City Council (**Territorial Authorities**) wish to be a party pursuant to section 274 of the RMA to the following proceedings:

Wilkins Farming Co v Southland Regional Council (ENV-2018-CHC-30) being an appeal against decisions of Environment Southland on the proposed Southland Water and Land Plan (**pSWLP**).

- 2 Gore District Council, Southland District Council and Invercargill City Council are the three territorial authorities located within the Southland region.
- 3 The Territorial Authorities have made both joint and individual submissions on the pSWLP.
- 4 The Territorial Authorities have lodged an appeal in relation to the pSWLP (**ENV-2018-CHC-31**).
- 5 The Territorial Authorities are not trade competitors for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the RMA.
- 6 The Territorial Authorities have a responsibility for Southland's infrastructure, stormwater and community sewerage schemes.
- 7 The parts of the proceedings the Territorial Authorities are interested in, including the particular issues and whether the Territorial Authorities support, oppose or conditionally oppose the relief sought are set out in the **attached** table.
- 8 The Territorial Authorities agree to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.

Dated this 22nd day of June 2018



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Advice

If you have any questions about this notice, contact the Environment Court in Christchurch.

Table: Gore District Council, Southland District Council and Invercargill City Council (**Territorial Authorities**) section 274 notice – **Wilkins Farming Co** ENV-2018-CHC-30

Part of the proceedings	Relief sought by Appellant	Issues	Support, Oppose, or Conditionally oppose	Reasons
Policy 42	<i>Policy 42 – Consideration of water permit applications should read... If a groundwater management zone is within the last 10% of its primary groundwater allocation limit, then existing consent holders should be offered consent renewal options before further allocating groundwater to new applicants.</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Amendment of Policy 42. 	Conditionally oppose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The proposed change of wording could affect territorial authority water supply infrastructure. This does not implement the objectives of the pSWLP, particularly Objective 9B.
Rule 54	The rule should read... <i>the rate of the take is limited to what is required for the application and permission is/is not granted in consideration to KNOWN environmental risks in the area of abstraction. (Without having to apply for resource consent)</i>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Amendment of Rule 54. 	Conditionally oppose	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The proposed change of wording could have consequences for the operation and consenting of territorial authority water supply infrastructure.