IN THE ENVIRONMENT COURT AT CHRISTCHURCH I MUA I TE KOOTI TAIAO O AOTEAROA ŌTAUTAHI ROHE

ENV-2018-CHC-040

IN THE MATTER of an appeal under Clause 14(1) of

the First Schedule of the Resource

Management Act 1991

BETWEEN FEDERATED FARMERS OF NZ

Appellant

AND SOUTHLAND REGIONAL COUNCIL

Respondent

NOTICE OF INTENTION BY ROYAL FOREST AND BIRD PROTECTION SOCIETY OF NEW ZEALAND INCORPORATED TO BE A PARTY

Dated 22 JUNE 2018

To

The Registrar
Environment Court
Christchurch

- The Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society of New Zealand
 Incorporated ("Forest & Bird") wishes to be a party to the following proceedings:
 - ENV-2015-AKL-040 Federated Farmers of NZ v Southland Regional Council
- Forest & Bird made a submission about the subject matter of the proceedings.
- 3. Forest & Bird is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the Resource Management Act 1991.
- 4. Forest & Bird is interested in all of the proceedings except Objective 10 and Policy 1.
- 5. Forest & Bird supports the relief sought in relation to Objective 9B, policy 16A, Policy 17A. Forest & Bird supports that relief on the basis that Objective 9B inappropriately enables infrastructure, and that Policies 16A and 17A should be more directive in requiring that adverse effects of discharges from industrial or trade processes/community sewerage schemes are avoided.
- 6. Forest & Bird opposes the relief sought in relation to Policies 4 12, Policy 18, policy 26, policy 39, policy 40(2), Rule 13, Rule 20, Rule 25, Rule 32B, Rule 35, Rule 35A, Rule 49, Rule 52A, Rule 73, Rule 79 and Appendix A. The appellant sees changes to those provisions which would make them less stringent, and would not be consistent with maintaining or enhancing water quality and ensuring that ecosystems are safeguarded. In relation to Rule 79, Forest & Bird does not accept

that Fire Service control is sufficient to control high country burning and opposes deletion of Rule 79.

7. Forest & Bird agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.

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Royal Forest & Bird Protection Society of New Zealand Incorporated

Date 22 June 2018

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