# Bay of Plenty Regional Natural Resources Plan
(Formerly the Regional Water and Land Plan)

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| 29 March 2021 | Plan Change 17 (Awatarariki Fanhead) approved and incorporated              | • NH Chapter – Management of Debris Flow Hazards on the Awatarariki Fanhead at Matatā – objectives policies and rules  
• Definition of Terms – meaning of “Residential Activity” and “Property” for Area2                                                                 |           |
|               | Amendments required by clauses 3.22(1), 3.24(1) and 3.26(1) of the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management 2020 | • BW Chapter - New passage of fish objective BW 03A  
• IM Chapter - New loss of river extent and values policy IM P1A  
• WL Chapter - New natural inland wetlands policy WL P13                                                                 |           |
|               | Amendment required by National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management 2014 (as amended in 2017) | • DW Chapter - DW P6 (Policy 43A) amended by removing the word ‘secondary’ and updating the note                                                                 |           |
|               | Amendment required by the National Planning Standards 2019                  | • Definition of Terms - new term ‘functional need’ inserted                                                                                                                                                    |           |
|               | Consequential amendments                                                   | • Reader’s Guide updated  
• Guide to Regional Rules updated  
• Conversion Index for Provisions updated                                                                                                                   |           |
<p>| 10 January 2020 | “Activity Site” definition was fully omitted from Definition of Terms instead of only a partial omission as required under the National Environmental Standards for Plantation Forestry Regulations 2017 and as approved by Council. Portion | • Activity Site – A separate area of land on which the activity is undertaken. The activity site may be either a single continuous area or comprise several adjoining blocks, sections, paddocks or compartments that together make up a single continuous area. Earthwork activities for forestry that are physically separate and distinct and do not create overlapping or cumulative environmental effects that are more than minor are classified as separate activity sites. |           |</p>
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| 1 May 2018   | Amendments to meet the requirements of the National Environmental Standards for Plantation Forestry Regulations 2017. | • IM M9 (Method 50) Operate and accreditation system as specified in schedule 12 removed from plan.  
• LM R7 (Rule 2) Permitted – Land and Soil Disturbance by Vegetation Clearance - PART 4(a) removed from plan and Part 4(b) and 4(c) renumbered.  
• LM R11 (Rule 3) Permitted – Forest Harvesting and Forestry Earthworks by Accredited Forestry Operators removed from plan.  
• Table LM 6 Permitted - Threshold Limits for Forestry Earthworks by Accredited Operators removed from plan.  
• LM R12 (Rule 3A) Controlled – Forest Harvesting and Forestry Earthworks by Accredited Forestry Operators removed from plan.  
• Flow Diagram LM 3 – Forest Harvesting and Earthworks removed from plan.  
• WL R7 (Rule 84) Permitted – Minor Disturbance of Vegetation in Wetlands Associated with Cable Logging by Accredited Forestry Operators removed from plan.  
• WL R8 (Rule 84A) Restricted Discretionary – Minor Disturbance of Vegetation in Wetlands Associated with Cable Logging removed from plan.  
• Schedule 12 Forestry Operators Accreditation System removed from plan.  
• Inserted advisory notes directing users to requirements of the National Environmental Standards Plantation Forestry if undertaking activities for forestry purposes for the following general rules: LM R1 (Rule 1) LM R2 (Rule 1A) LM R3 (Rule 1B) LM R4 (Rule 1C) LM R5 (Rule 1D) LM R6 (Rule 1E) LM R7 (Rule 2) LM R8 (Rule 2A) LM R9 (Rule 2B) LM R10 (Rule 2C) LM R13 (Rule 4) LM R14 (Rule 4A) BW R1 (Rule 51) BW R2 (Rule 51A) BW R3 (Rule 51B) BW R4 (Rule 51C) BW R12 (Rule 58) BW R13 (Rule 58A) BW R14 (Rule 58B) BW R15 (Rule 59)BW R16 (Rule 59A) BW R17 (Rule 59B) BW R18 (Rule 59C) BW R19 (Rule 59D) BW R20 (Rule 60) BW R21 (Rule 60A) BW R22 (Rule 60B) BW R24 (Rule 62) BW R25 (Rule 62A) BW R27 (Rule 64) BW R28 (Rule 64A) BW R29 (Rule 65) BW R36 (Rule 71). |           |
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<td>Other minor amendments.</td>
<td>• Removed redundant definitions that relate to plantation forestry activities as follows: Accreditation criteria, Accreditation Panel, Accredited Forestry Operator, Activity Site, Applicant, Audit Team, Demerit points, Earthworks operator, FOAS, Forestry, Forestry activities, Forestry company, Forestry Operator, Harvesting operations, Operator, Operational Control, Vegetation Clearance – bullet (n). • Included a definition for the terms Plantation Forest or Plantation Forestry into the definition of terms.</td>
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<td>Consequential amendments.</td>
<td>• Internal references amended where necessary. • Amended table of contents.</td>
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<td>14 September 2017</td>
<td>Amendment for reformatting.</td>
<td>• New chapter headings created for locating the specific provisions relating to Land Management, On-site Effluent Treatment, Tauranga Harbour, Kaituna, Maketū and Pongakawa, Rotorua Lakes, Lake Rotora Nutrient Management, Tarawera, Rangitāiki, Whakatāne and Tauranga, Ōhiwa Harbour and Waioeka, Waioeka and Otara, East Coast, Natural Hazards, and Air Quality. • Geothermal Resources chapter moved. • Beds of Rivers, Lakes, Streams and Wetlands renamed to Beds of Water Bodies. • Issues, objectives, policies, and methods relevant to other chapters moved from Integrated Management of Land and Water chapter to Land Management, Ōhiwa Harbour, Rotorua Lakes, Tauranga Harbour as appropriate. • Relevant issues, objectives, policies, and methods moved from Water Quantity to Natural Hazards. • Rules from Section 9 moved to chapters as appropriate. • All chapters, issues, objectives, policies, methods, rules, figures, tables, flow diagrams and page numbers renumbered using a two letter prefix based on chapter title. • Explanation/principal reasons for provisions moved to Appendix 1. • Financial Contributions chapter moved to Appendix 2. • Information to be submitted with Resource Consent Applications chapter moved to Appendix 3. • Anticipated Environmental Results chapter moved to Appendix 4. • Cross Boundary Issues chapter moved to Appendix 5. • Plan Review Process chapter moved to Appendix 6.</td>
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|                  | Other minor amendments.                                                       | • Environment Bay of Plenty changed to The Bay of Plenty Regional Council where appropriate.  
• New Zealand Historic Places Trust changed to Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga.  
• Ministry for Agriculture and Fisheries changed to Ministry for Primary Industries.  
• Changed references to RMA from Roman numerals to Arabic numerals.  
• Removed redundant references to sections in the previous Regional Policy Statement, now replaced by the Operative Regional Policy Statement.  
• Removed paragraph numbering.  
• Deleted explanatory text regarding renumbering carried out by previous plan changes.  
• Deleted definitions for “permitted activity”, “controlled activity”, “restricted discretionary activity”, “discretionary activity”, and “prohibited activity” as these reflected outdated provisions of the Act.  
• Waimana River changed to Tauranga River.  
• Waiohine changed to Waiohte. |                                                    |           |
|                  | Consequential amendments.                                                     | • Changed name of plan.  
• Updated “Reader’s Guide”.  
• Amended table of contents and included table of contents for each chapter.  
• Updated “List of Abbreviations and Acronyms” to reflect name changes.  
• Internal references amended as necessary.  
• Updated the “Index” to a Conversion Index for Provisions and moved to front of document. |                                                    |           |
| 8 October 2014   | Insert new paragraph from policy A4 of the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management 2014 into the Regional Plan. | • Policy 43A Discharges to Water and Land. |                                                    |           |
| 28 June 2011     | Insert policies A4 and B7 from the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management into the Regional Plan.  
Minor amendment. | • Policy 43A Discharges to Water and Land.  
• Policy 68A Take and Use of Surface Water and Groundwater.  
• Pages 255-256. |                                                    |           |
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• Method 35B and Index renumbered.  
• Updated references to renumbered rules. |           |
|      | Other minor amendments. | • Rule 46A (typographical error and renumbered conditions).  
• Section 5.1 Para 1 (typographical error).  
• Section 9.1 Rules Table (includes rules introduced by Plan Change 8 rules).  
• Section 9.10 Para 14 and Definition of Terms - Farm Quality Programme (correction to plan cross-reference). |           |
|      | Consequential amendments. | • Update record inserted.  
• Table of Contents updated. |           |
BAY OF PLENTY
REGIONAL NATURAL RESOURCES PLAN

Formerly the Bay of Plenty Regional Water and Land Plan

1 December 2008

Plan Change 8 (Groundwater Bores and Flooding Conditions) incorporated on 2 March 2010

Amended 28 June 2011 as required by National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management 2011

Amended 8 October 2014 as required by National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management 2014

Amended 14 September 2017 for reformatting

Amended 1 May 2018 as required to meet the National Environmental Standards for Plantation Forestry Regulations 2017

Plan Change 17 (Awatarariki Fanhead) incorporated on 29 March 2021

Amended 29 March 2021 as directed by the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management 2014 (as amended in 2017), the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management 2020 and the National Planning Standards 2019

Bay of Plenty Regional Council
RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991

BAY OF PLENTY REGIONAL COUNCIL
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BAY OF PLENTY REGIONAL NATURAL RESOURCES PLAN

Plan Change 17 (Awatarariki Fanhead)

By resolution of the Council on the 16th day of February 2021 in accordance with clause 17 of the First Schedule of the Resource Management Act 1991, the Bay of Plenty Regional Council approves the incorporation of Plan Change 17 (Awatarariki Fanhead).

Plan Change 17 is operative from Monday 29 March 2021.

The Common Seal of the BAY OF PLENTY REGIONAL COUNCIL was affixed hereto this 15th day of March 2021, in the presence of:

[Signature]
Douglas Leeder
Chairman

[Signature]
Fiona McTavish
Chief Executive
RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991

ENVIRONMENT BAY OF PLENTY
BAY OF PLENTY REGIONAL COUNCIL

BAY OF PLENTY REGIONAL WATER AND LAND PLAN

It is hereby certified that this is the Bay of Plenty Regional Water and Land Plan approved by resolution of the Council on the 15th day of October 2008.

The Council has further resolved that the Plan shall become operative on the 1st day of December 2008.

The Common Seal of the BAY OF PLENTY REGIONAL COUNCIL was affixed hereto this 12th day of November 2008, in the presence of:

John Cronin
Chairman

Bill Bayfield
Chief Executive

Plan Change No. 8 (Groundwater Bores and Flooding Conditions) incorporated on 2 March 2010.

John Cronin
Chairman

Bill Bayfield
Chief Executive
Introduction

KT Kaitiakitanga

Land and Water
IM Integrated Management of Land and Water
LM Land Management
DW Discharges to Water and Land
OSET On-Site Effluent Treatment

WQ Water Quantity and Allocation
BW Beds of Water Bodies
WL Wetlands

Water Management Areas
TH Tauranga Harbour
KM Kaituna Maketū and Pongakawa
RL Rotorua Lakes
LR Lake Rotorua Nutrient Management
TW Tarawera
RT Rangitāiki
WT Whakatāne and Tauranga
OH Ōhiwa Harbour and Waiotahe
WO Waioeka and Otara
EC East Coast

GR Geothermal Resources

NH Natural Hazards
**AQ Air Quality**

**Schedules**
- Schedule 1: Aquatic Ecosystem Areas
- Schedule 2: Fish spawning and migrations calendar
- Schedule 3: Watercourses in Land Drainage Schemes with Ecological Values
- Schedule 4: High Risk Facilities
- Schedule 5: Maintenance Areas of River Schemes and Land Drainage Schemes
- Schedule 6: Floodways in the Bay of Plenty
- Schedule 7: Instream Minimum Flow Requirements
- Schedule 8: Approved Quality Assurance Programmes and Environmental Management Plans
- Schedule 9: Water Quality Classification Standards and Criteria
- Schedule 10: Freshwater Bathing Sites
- Schedule 11: Lawfully Existing Hydroelectric Power Schemes
- Schedule 12: Removed to give effect to the National Environmental Standards for Plantation Forestry Regulations 2017
- Schedule 13: Statutory Acknowledgements in the Bay of Plenty Region
- Schedule 14: Standards for the Construction, Reconstruction, Maintenance or Decommissioning of Holes, Bores, Wells and Infiltration Galleries

**Appendices**
- Appendix 1: Explanation/Principal Reasons for Provisions
- Appendix 2: Financial Contributions
- Appendix 3: Information to be Submitted with Resource Consent Applications
- Appendix 4: Anticipated Environmental Results
- Appendix 5: Cross Boundary Issues
- Appendix 6: Plan Review Process