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Further submission on Proposed Change 5 Kaituna River

1. Forest & Bird represents a relevant aspect of the public interest and has an interest greater than the public generally. Forest & Bird is a New Zealand non-governmental conservation organisation representing its members and supporters, and made a submission on Proposed Change 5 Kaituna River
2. Forest & Bird wishes to be heard in support of this submission, and would be prepared to consider presenting this submission in a joint case with others making a similar submission at any hearing.

Introduction

3. Forest & Bird is concerned that some of the decisions sought would result in loss of indigenous biodiversity and are inconsistent with the direction provided by the RMA, NZCPS, RPS and NPS-FM (2020). We oppose the amendments sought by these submissions.
4. Forest & Bird also supports a number of submissions which seek to amend the plan to protect, maintain, improve and indigenous biodiversity in the region.
5. Our further submissions are set out in the Table 1 below.

Table 1: Forest & Bird supports or opposes the following submissions or parts of submissions as set out below.

Submission Number <i>[Submission number of original submission as shown in the "Summary of Decisions Requested" report]</i>	Submitter Name <i>[Please state the name and address of the person or organisation making the original submission as shown in the "Summary of Decisions Requested" report]</i>	Section Reference <i>[Clearly indicate which parts of the original submission you support or oppose, together with any relevant provisions of the proposed plan change]</i>	Support/Oppose	Reasons <i>[State in Summary the nature of your submission, giving clear reasons]</i>
4.4	Western Bay of Plenty District Council Private Bag 12803, Tauranga Mail Centre, 3143	2.12 Treaty co- governance	Oppose	Ground water quality is interlined to land use, water take and use. Therefore it is appropriate to consider groundwater within the same objective.
6.3	AFFCO New Zealand Limited, Rangiuru Plant P O Box 105 774, Auckland 1143	3.2 Methods to implement policies	Oppose	The amendment sought would result in degradation of water.
8.1	Horticulture New Zealand PO Box 10-232 WELLINGTON	2.12 Treaty co- governance	Oppose	The NPSFM is to be given effect to by council plans including the RPS. It is not in itself an allocation tool.
11.1	Tauranga City Council Private Bag 12022, Tauranga 3143. Private Bag	2.12 Treaty co- governance	Oppose	Kaituna river is described to mean all tributaries which should include waters of its catchment including "groundwater"
11.9	Tauranga City Council Private Bag 12022, Tauranga 3143. Private Bag	3.1 Policies	Oppose	The amendments detract from the directiveness of the policy
11.10	Tauranga City Council Private Bag 12022, Tauranga 3143. Private Bag	3.1 Policies	Oppose	Regulatory responses may also be appropriate to address this policy. A non-regulatory approach would make achieving the objectives which the policy implements uncertain

13.3	Bay of Plenty Federated Farmers and Rotorua/Taupo Federated Farmers PO Box 447, Hamilton 3240	2.12 Treaty co- governance	Oppose	The wellbeing of water needs to come first. The term “productive uses” is uncertain and may not sit with the first or second priorities for Te Mana o te Wai.
13.4	Bay of Plenty Federated Farmers and Rotorua/Taupo Federated Farmers PO Box 447, Hamilton 3240	2.12 Treaty co- governance	Oppose	The term individuals detracts from the community and future generations focus.
13.9	Bay of Plenty Federated Farmers and Rotorua/Taupo Federated Farmers PO Box 447, Hamilton 3240	3.1 Policies	Oppose	The wellbeing of water needs to come first. The term “productive uses” is uncertain and may not sit with the first or second priorities for Te Mana o te Wai.
13.10	Bay of Plenty Federated Farmers and Rotorua/Taupo Federated Farmers PO Box 447, Hamilton 3240	3.1 Policies	Oppose	Best practices are necessary for better ecological outcomes for freshwater

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