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## Proposed AREA2-P2 (AQ P12) – Iterative management of air quality within the Mount Maunganui Airshed

### AREA2-P2 [AQ P12]

#### Iterative management of air quality within the Mount Maunganui Airshed – [Te reo Māori heading TBC]

Activities which discharge **PM<sub>10</sub>** and other **particulates** to air within the **Mount Maunganui Airshed**, other than those in compliance with Interim Permitted Activity Rules AREA2-R1 [AQ R22A], and AREA2-R4 [AQ R23A], must be managed by implementing an iterative management approach to:

- (a) recognise that the **Mount Maunganui Airshed** is a polluted airshed as defined in Regulation 17(4)(a) of the National Environmental Standards for Air Quality (Polluted Airshed); and
- (b) improve air quality and ensure the **Mount Maunganui Airshed** stops being a Polluted Airshed as soon as reasonably practicable, including by managing cumulative *effects*; and
- (c) ensure that once the **Mount Maunganui Airshed** stops being a Polluted Airshed, the discharge of contaminants at a rate or volume that may cause an exceedance or breach of the ambient air quality standards of the National Environmental Standards for Air Quality is avoided; and
- (d) safeguard the life supporting capacity of the air and protect human health within the **Mount Maunganui Airshed**, and
- (e) avoid, remedy or mitigate adverse *effects* on cultural values, amenity values, and the *environment*.

The iterative management process may include, but not necessarily be limited to:

- (f) requiring each **subject site** within the **Mount Maunganui Airshed** to minimise discharges of **PM<sub>10</sub>** to air to the greatest extent reasonably practicable and at the time of resource consent applications to take account of the effectiveness of mitigation measures and operating procedures implemented in accordance with the Interim Permitted Activity Rules AREA2-R1 [AQ R22A] and AREA2-R4 [AQ R23A]; and
- (g) assessing changes in **Mount Maunganui Airshed**-wide air quality based on monitoring results to 31 December 2025, to determine the extent to which compliance with the National Environmental Standards for Air Quality and the annual guideline value in the Health-based Guideline Values of the Ambient Air Quality Guidelines 2002 (or its amendment or replacement) is likely to be achieved based on the **Mount Maunganui Airshed**-wide mitigation measures implemented to that time; and

- (h) setting resource consent conditions based on (f) and (g) that can be expected to ensure compliance; and
- (i) making provision for the reviewing of consent conditions as necessary to ensure compliance with the National Environmental Standards for Air Quality is achieved as soon as reasonably practicable.