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S32 Director- General of Conservation	S32.001	General comments - Chapter 3	Support	The proposed additions usefully outline the issues to be addressed.	Retain introduction section as notified, except where specific changes are requested below.
S80 Anders Crofoot	S80.001	General comments - Chapter 3	Oppose	With full review of the RPS scheduled for 2024 and various NPS forthcoming between now and then, it would be better to address changes in light of NPS rather than trying to preempt them. It would also be better to review policies and objectives at the same time.	Delete all proposed amendments to Chapter 3.
S94 Guardians of the Bays Incorporated	S94.001	General comments - Chapter 3	Support	Not stated	Retain as notified
S100 Meridian Energy Limited	S100.001	General comments - Chapter 3	Support in part	Proposed RPS Change #1 proposes objectives, policies and methods responding to the challenges associated with future climate change. This warrants acknowledgement of the challenges as a regionally significant issue. Infrastructure, including regionally significant infrastructure is essential in supporting communities' resilience against the effects of climate change. Infrastructure, including regionally significant infrastructure, is itself particularly vulnerable to the effects of climate change. Maintaining the functionality, integrity and adaptability of infrastructure will be key to achieving community resilience to the challenges of climate change. Enabling the upgrading, adaptation and relocation of regionally significant infrastructure will support community resilience.	Insert into the overview of issues the following additional issue numbered '4' (or words that have similar effect): "The overarching resource management issues for the Wellington Region are: 1. 2. 3. 4. The region's environment, communities and infrastructure are vulnerable to future national and global challenges associated with climate change. Climate change is expected to exacerbate flood hazard, including coastal inundation, and drought conditions. The effects of climate change, including coastal and river flood inundation and erosion, are expected to damage or impair the operation of infrastructure (including regionally significant infrastructure). Community resilience to the effects of climate change will depend on the functionality,

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					integrity and adaptability of infrastructure. Regionally significant infrastructure will need to be upgraded and adapted or relocated to maintain the necessary functionality and capacity to support community resilience."
S113 Wellington Water	S113.001	General comments - Chapter 3	Support in part	Maintaining the functionality, integrity and adaptability of infrastructure, including regionally significant infrastructure, is essential in supporting communities' resilience against the effects of climate change. Infrastructure is also vulnerable to the effects of climate change. Enabling the upgrading, adaptation and relocation of regionally significant infrastructure will support community resilience.	Amend the list of issues to include: 4. The region's environment, communities and infrastructure are vulnerable to future national and global challenges associated with climate change. Climate change is expected to exacerbate flood hazard, including coastal inundation, and drought conditions. The effects of climate change, including coastal and river flood inundation and erosion, are expected to damage or impair the operation of infrastructure (including regionally significant infrastructure). Community resilience to the effects of climate change will depend on the functionality, integrity and adaptability of infrastructure. Regionally significant infrastructure will need to be upgraded and adapted or relocated to maintain the necessary functionality and capacity to support community resilience.
S115 Hutt City Council	S115.003	General comments - Chapter 3	Oppose	The purpose of including overarching issues is presumably to provide a more integrated approach across the range of regional resource management issues in the RPS and subordinate planning documents. As such, it is important that all relevant issues are visible	Omit the issue statements. Alternatively, if the overarching issues are retained, the following amendments are sought: • Reframe the issue statements as general environmental issues, rather than as critiques of

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				<p>in this overarching section. As proposed, they are not.</p> <p>In general, the Regional Policy Statement is already lengthy and including both issues and objectives does not add significantly to the plan's usability. Accordingly, the Council seeks the deletion of overarching issues.</p> <p>These are detailed further in our submission.</p>	<p>current practice.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Ensure issues relating to the needs of the urban environment are included (not just the impacts of the urban environment on the natural environment)
S131 Ātiawa ki Whakaron gotai Charitable Trust	S131.009	General comments - Chapter 3	Support	In principle, Ātiawa ki Whakaron gotai Charitable Trust (Ātiawa) supports the inclusion of these provisions as they set the high-level framework for the proposed changes - that is they set out the issues and rationale for addressing these matters in the Regional Policy Statement.	Specific amendments in relation to the 'Issue' statements are proposed below.
S147 Wellington Fish and Game Council	S147.001	General comments - Chapter 3	Support	Necessary to give effect to the NPS-FM.	Retain as notified.
S148 Wellington International Airport Ltd (WIAL)	S148.012	General comments - Chapter 3	Oppose in part	Insert into the overview of issues recognition that infrastructure providers, particularly those which are nationally and regionally significant must be given sufficient flexibility to accommodate changes in technology as we move toward meeting our nation's net carbon zero 2050 commitment. Maintaining the functionality, integrity and adaptability of infrastructure will also be key to achieving community resilience to the challenges of climate change and this needs to be adequately recognised.	Add or amend the issues statement to recognise that key infrastructure assets within the region are vulnerable to the effects of climate change and that such facilities need to be given sufficient flexibility to accommodate new technology, respond and adapt to climate related issues.
S163 Wairarapa Federated Farmers	S163.002	General comments - Chapter 3	Oppose	The over-arching resource management issues and objectives in this chapter would more properly be considered in the full review of the RPS scheduled in 2024.	All proposed amendments to Chapter 3 be deleted
S163 Wairarapa Federated Farmers	S163.003	General comments - Chapter 3	Oppose	Disagree that the proposed amendments to Chapter 3 should be treated as "freshwater" instruments: instead their intention and application is as "integrative" provisions, as per recent case law (see submission for more detail).	Delete FW icons
S30 Porirua City Council	S30.001	Overarching Issue 1: Adverse impacts on	Oppose	Resource management issue 1 is titled 'adverse impacts on natural environments and communities', however unlike adverse effects on natural resources, adverse effects on communities are not identified. The issue is	Amend reason 1 to identify adverse effects on communities and the benefits of urban development, and relocate effects of climate change into a separate issue; and/or reword as follows:

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		natural environments and communities		<p>framed very negatively. For instance, not all ecosystems have been destroyed, but certainly some have, and many have been degraded. Some ecosystems are still intact.</p> <p>This creates an unbalanced issue statement and associated Objective A which fails to identify the benefits of urban development as identified by the National Policy Statement on Urban Development 2020.</p>	<p>1. Adverse impacts on natural environments and communities Inappropriate and poorly managed use and development of natural and physical resources the environment, including both urban and rural activities, have damaged and continue to impact the natural environment, and to contribute to an increase in greenhouse gas emissions,. It has also resulted in destroying degraded ecosystems, degrading and water quality, adversely impacting the relationship between mana whenua and the taiao., and leaving communities and nature increasingly exposed to the impacts of climate change.</p> <p>2. Increasing pressure on housing supply and choice and infrastructure capacity Population growth is putting pressure on housing and infrastructure capacity. To meet the needs of current and future populations, poorly managed development will place additional pressure on the natural and built environments.</p>
S31 Robert Anker	S31.002	Overarching Issue 1: Adverse impacts on natural environments and communities	Not Stated / Neutral	Communities and nature have always been and will always be exposed to the impacts of climate. Nothing within the RPS will reduce that impact and the focus should be on putting measures in place that will deal with the consequences that will arise. We should be using this time between waves to shore up our protections, not abolish them.	GWRC to focus on positive measures that can mitigate climate generated impacts.

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<p>S34 Te Kaunihera o Te Awa Kairangi ki Uta, Upper Hutt City Council</p>	<p>S34.001</p>	<p>Overarching Issue 1: Adverse impacts on natural environments and communities</p>	<p>Oppose in part</p>	<p>The issue is negatively worded and this sets the tone for the rest of the plan change. As a result, the proposed provisions do not appear to support or acknowledge the population growth that is forecast and subsequent development that is necessary/enabled for the Wellington Region.</p> <p>For issue one, whilst Council recognises that adverse environmental effects need to be managed, this appears to insinuate that the listed effects are attributable solely to poorly managed land use and development activities when other external factors have also played an important part, for example, funding availability to comprehensively address mode shift and transport related emissions or to deliver networked biodiversity projects.</p> <p>In following links in the Section 32 report to technical reports supporting the provisions, it appears as if some of the evidence base relies on state of the environment monitoring reports that are now over ten years old, and so responses via proposed provisions to issues that were identified some time ago may no longer be relevant or appropriate.</p> <p>Fundamentally, issue one appears to state that growth within the region is an inherently negative outcome which is contrary to the intention and direction of the NPS- UD. Council notes that well managed and integrated growth and infrastructure can be and is good for the region - socially and economically and environmentally.</p>	<p>Amend to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • include more neutral language and address balance between environmental protection and enabling the significant development necessary to accommodate forecast growth in for the region. • source and reference more relevant and up to date evidence base and data to support statements and review and amend provisions based on this evidence
<p>S94 Guardians of the Bays Incorporated</p>	<p>S94.002</p>	<p>Overarching Issue 1: Adverse impacts on natural environments and</p>	<p>Support</p>	<p>Not stated</p>	<p>Retain as notified</p>

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		communities			
S128 Horticulture New Zealand	S128.001	Overarching Issue 1: Adverse impacts on natural environments and communities	Support in part	Highly productive land is a finite resource that is impacted and lost through 'inappropriate and poorly managed use and development' - this reflected in parts of the operative RPS and should be carried through into/reflected in the overarching resource management issues for the Wellington Region.	Amend paragraph 1 (p. 4) 1. Adverse impacts on natural environments and communities Inappropriate and poorly managed use and development of the environment, including both urban and rural activities, have damaged and continue to impact the natural environment, increase greenhouse gas emissions, destroying ecosystems, degrading water, result in loss, fragmentation or reverse sensitivity effects on highly productive land , adversely impacting the relationship between mana whenua and the taiao, and leaving communities and nature increasingly exposed to the impacts of climate change.
S131 Ātiawa ki Whakarongotai Charitable Trust	S131.010	Overarching Issue 1: Adverse impacts on natural environments and communities	Support	Ātiawa supports Overarching Issue 1. Ātiawa are pleased that the issue references the impact on mana whenua and their relationship with te taiao.	Retain as notified.
S163 Wairarapa Federated Farmers	S163.004	Overarching Issue 1: Adverse impacts on natural environments and communities	Oppose	A review of Chapter 3 should be deferred to the full review of the RPS in 2024. Disagree with the content and scope of the issues in Chapter 3 for the reasons set out in the submission. If the review of Chapter 3 is not deferred, alternative content for issues is required, which speak to the importance of people and strengthening the connections between people and place, integrated catchment management and climate change. This includes the creation of an issue that addresses the challenge of "giving back to the wai, while we utilise her waters to sustain our people" and an issue that addresses the implications for farmers - and the wider regional	Delete Overarching Issue 1 OR Add a new overarching issue to the following or similar effect: sustain and accelerate the multi-agency delivery platforms for empowering catchment communities for collective action and mutual support to address the twin challenges of improving environmental outcomes and sustaining thriving economies and connected communities.

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				economy - of unreliable and uncertain access to water to sustain their enterprises and livelihoods. Further detail provided in the submission.	OR Add a new overarching issue to the following or similar effect: accelerate the multi-agency delivery platforms to address the looming water supply-demand gap, ie, giving back to the wai, while sustaining the people.
S167 Taranaki Whānui	S167.004	Overarching Issue 1: Adverse impacts on natural environments and communities	Support in part	This provides for consistency across RPS1.	Amend the provision to read: 1. Adverse impacts on natural environments and communitiesdestroying ecosystems, degrading water, adversely impacting the relationship between mana whenua / tangata whenua and the taiao, and leaving communities and nature increasingly exposed to the impacts of climate change.
S34 Te Kaunihera o Te Awa Kairangi ki Uta, Upper Hutt City Council	S34.002	Overarching Issue 2: Increasing pressure on housing and infrastructure capacity	Oppose in part	The issue statement is negatively worded, and this sets the tone for the rest of the plan change. As a result, the issue statement does not appear to support or acknowledge the population growth that is forecast and subsequent development that is necessary/enabled for the Wellington Region. Issue two appears to be incomplete and to make two separate points for which there is no supporting explanatory text.	Amend to complete and provide further explanation for issue two and include more detail on the problems that this pressure is causing, that the proposed provisions are seeking to address, including providing the framework for possible infrastructure growth/delivery provisions within the RPS.
S78 Beef + Lamb New Zealand Limited	S78.003	Overarching Issue 2: Increasing pressure on housing and infrastructure capacity	Not Stated / Neutral	Accepts that Issue 2 is required to give effect to the NPS-UD but neither supports nor opposes the provision.	Retain as notified

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S94 Guardians of the Bays Incorporated	S94.003	Overarching Issue 2: Increasing pressure on housing and infrastructure capacity	Support	Not stated	Retain as notified
S115 Hutt City Council	S115.004	Overarching Issue 2: Increasing pressure on housing and infrastructure capacity	Oppose	We note that GWRC has addressed concerns raised in the draft by adding an additional issue around the urban environment. However, it still considers only the pressures that the urban environment places on the natural environment, rather than the social and economic needs for a well-functioning urban environment.	Delete the issue statement (along with other issues), or if issue statements are retained amend Issue 2 as follows: "Population growth is putting pressure on housing and infrastructure capacity. To meet the needs of current and future populations, development will place additional pressure on the natural and built environments. At the same time, there is a need to increase housing supply across the region and ensure that future communities have good access to key services and employment opportunities. Planning decisions will need to consider a range of factors that contribute to a well-functioning urban environment and how the natural and built environment can work together to achieve this. "
S125 R P Mansell; A J Mansell, & M R Mansell	S125.001	Overarching Issue 2: Increasing pressure on housing and infrastructure capacity	Support	Recognises increasing pressure on housing and infrastructure capacity in the Wellington Region. Consistent with the intent and requirements of the NPS-UD.	Retain as notified.
S131 Ātiawa ki Whakarongotai Charitable Trust	S131.011	Overarching Issue 2: Increasing pressure on housing and	Support in part	Ātiawa supports in part Overarching Issue 2. Ātiawa considers that population growth requires additional development capacity, but also exacerbates existing pressures on all aspects of te taiao and its limited resources.	Amend to: 2. Population growth is putting pressure on housing and infrastructure capacity and exacerbates existing pressures on te taiao. To meet the needs of current and future populations,

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		infrastructure capacity			development will place additional pressure on the natural and built environments.
S140 Wellington City Council (WCC)	S140.004	Overarching Issue 2: Increasing pressure on housing and infrastructure capacity	Support in part	Issue 2 focuses on adverse effects on the natural environment, and only references housing and infrastructure capacity as a negative pressure on the environment. RMA section 59 requires the RPS to look at integrated management of natural and physical resources for the region, not just protecting natural processes. It also ignores the NPS-UD objectives.	Amend Issue 2 with the underlined text, or similar: "Increasing need for housing and infrastructure capacity. The supply of housing and infrastructure capacity in the Wellington Region has been insufficient to meet population growth, household needs, and creation of well-functioning urban environments."
S163 Wairarapa Federated Farmers	S163.005	Overarching Issue 2: Increasing pressure on housing and infrastructure capacity	Oppose	<p>A review of Chapter 3 should be deferred to the full review of the RPS in 2024. Disagree with the content and scope of the issues in Chapter 3 for the reasons set out in the submission.</p> <p>If the review of Chapter 3 is not deferred, alternative content for issues is required, which speak to the importance of people and strengthening the connections between people and place, integrated catchment management and climate change. This includes the creation of an issue that addresses the challenge of "giving back to the wai, while we utilise her waters to sustain our people" and an issue that addresses the implications for farmers - and the wider regional economy - of unreliable and uncertain access to water to sustain their enterprises and livelihoods. Further detail provided in the submission.</p>	<p>Delete Overarching Issue 2</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Add a new overarching issue to the following or similar effect: sustain and accelerate the multi-agency delivery platforms for empowering catchment communities for collective action and mutual support to address the twin challenges of improving environmental outcomes and sustaining thriving economies and connected communities.</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Add a new overarching issue to the following or similar effect: accelerate the multi-agency delivery platforms to address the looming water supply-demand gap, ie, giving back to the wai, while sustaining the people.</p>
S167 Taranaki Whānui	S167.005	Overarching Issue 2: Increasing pressure on housing	Support in part	Strengthening these provisions with reference to Sections, 6, 7, 8 of the RMA and NPS-UD Policy 9.	Amend last sentence to read: To meet the needs of current and future populations, development will place additional pressure on the natural and built environments, and relationship

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		and infrastructure capacity			of mana whenua / tangata whenua to their ancestral lands, whenua.
S167 Taranaki Whānui	S167.006	Overarching Issue 2: Increasing pressure on housing and infrastructure capacity	Support in part	Strengthening these provisions with reference to Sections, 6, 7, 8 of the RMA and NPS-UD Policy 9.	Amendment to include meeting the needs of mana whenua specifically.
S31 Robert Anker	S31.003	Overarching Issue 3: Lack of mana whenua / tangata whenua involvement in decision making	Not Stated / Neutral	This raises the question as to what equals sufficient weight. It is not appropriate to address a perceived imbalance by setting about creating another and larger imbalance. Throughout the document there is focus on consulting the Maori portion of the community, but the same emphasis is not being given to consulting the remainder and numerically larger section of the community. GWRC has an obligation to represent and take care of all population groups of the Region and not to deliberately disenfranchise one or more groups of people.	Address the lack of consultation across all sectors of the community and not favour one to the exclusion of others.
S34 Te Kaunihera o Te Awa Kairangi ki Uta, Upper Hutt City Council	S34.003	Overarching Issue 3: Lack of mana whenua / tangata whenua involvement in decision making	Oppose in part	The issue statement is negatively worded, and this sets the tone for the rest of the plan change.	Clarification
S94 Guardians of the Bays Incorporated	S94.004	Overarching Issue 3: Lack of mana whenua / tangata whenua involvement	Support	Not stated	Retain as notified

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		t in decision making			
S131 Ātiawa ki Whakaron gotai Charitable Trust	S131.012	Overarching Issue 3: Lack of mana whenua / tangata whenua involvement in decision making	Support	<p>Ātiawa supports Overarching Issue 3. Ātiawa are pleased that this resource management decision making issue has been set out in the regional policy statement. It informs the reasoning for objective, policy, and rule setting within the planning framework.</p> <p>Ātiawa seek that explicit reference to the matters included in Part 2, s(e) of the RMA are included to ensure they are recognised and provided for in this planning framework.</p>	<p>Amend to:</p> <p>Mana whenua / tangata whenua values, Te Ao Māori and mātauranga Māori have not been given sufficient weight in decision-making, including from governance level through to the implementation. As a result, mana whenua / tangata whenua values, including our relationship with our ancestral lands, water, sites, wāhi tapu and other taonga have not been adequately provided for in resource management, causing disconnection between mana whenua / tangata whenua and the environment.</p>
S163 Wairarapa Federated Farmers	S163.006	Overarching Issue 3: Lack of mana whenua / tangata whenua involvement in decision making	Oppose	<p>A review of Chapter 3 should be deferred to the full review of the RPS in 2024. Disagree with the content and scope of the issues in Chapter 3 for the reasons set out in the submission.</p> <p>If the review of Chapter 3 is not deferred, alternative content for issues is required, which speak to the importance of people and strengthening the connections between people and place, integrated catchment management and climate change. This includes the creation of an issue that addresses the challenge of "giving back to the wai, while we utilise her waters to sustain our people" and an issue that addresses the implications for farmers - and the wider regional economy - of unreliable and uncertain access to water to sustain their enterprises and livelihoods. Further detail provided in the submission.</p>	<p>Delete Overarching Issue 3</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Add a new overarching issue to the following or similar effect: sustain and accelerate the multi-agency delivery platforms for empowering catchment communities for collective action and mutual support to address the twin challenges of improving environmental outcomes and sustaining thriving economies and connected communities.</p> <p>OR</p> <p>Add a new overarching issue to the following or similar effect: accelerate the multi-agency delivery platforms to address the looming water supply-demand gap, ie, giving back to the wai, while sustaining</p>

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					the people.
S167 Taranaki Whānui	S167.007	Overarching Issue 3: Lack of mana whenua / tangata whenua involvement in decision making	Support	Agree with description of this overarching issue.	Retain as notified.
S170 Te Rūnanga o Toa Rangatira	S170.002	Overarching Issue 3: Lack of mana whenua / tangata whenua involvement in decision making	Support in part	<p>There are issues clause 3 of the Chapter 3 changes: Firstly, lack of Mana Whenua / Tangata Whenua involvement in decision making and lack of Te Ao Māori and mātauranga Māori in making resource management decisions are two different matters. First generation plans do lack both of these components as the former one is about iwi engagement and transfer of powers and allowing iwi as the decision maker; the other one is about how to use the knowledge systems of iwi and Māori in giving decisions regarding resource management.</p> <p>We (the submitter) believe the wording of Objective 3 can be strengthened even further; 'sufficient weight' suggests that, to date, Tangata Whenua / Mana Whenua had established processes and clear decision-making powers over the matters of Regional Policy Statement. However, iwi does not have such relationship with the Regional Policy Statement or the RPS acknowledges transfer of powers to Ngāti Toa Rangatira in the governance matters of Regional Policy Statement.</p>	<p>Re-draft to read: Mana whenua / tangata whenua values, Te Ao Māori and mātauranga Māori have not been involved given sufficient weight in decision-making, including from governance level through to the implementation. As a result, mana whenua / tangata whenua values have not been adequately provided for in resource management, causing disconnection between mana whenua / tangata whenua and the environment. This caused major disruption Mana Whenua / Tangata Whenua not being able to connect with Taiaio, but also put them into a position where they were not able to perform their kaiataikitanga.</p>
S168 Rangitāne O Wairarapa Inc	S168.0191	Overarching Issue 3: Lack of mana whenua / tangata	Support in part	Rangitāne o Wairarapa support the inclusion of the overarching resource management issues, in particular Issue 3, which addresses the lack of tangata whenua involvement in decision making. However we consider this issue statement could be stronger and reflect the language is s6(e) of the RMA.	<p>Amend the introductory text as follows: As a result, mana whenua / tangata whenua values and the relationship of Maori and their culture and traditions with their ancestral lands, water, air, sites, waahi tapu and</p>

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		whenua involvement in decision making			other taonga have not been adequately provided for in resource management, causing disconnection between mana whenua / tangata whenua and the environment. or by alternative wording that provides similar relief.
S30 Porirua City Council	S30.002	Overarching Objective A	Oppose	It is unclear what this objective is seeking to achieve and could be better worded.	Amend objective A so that the outcomes sought are achievable within the scope of an RPS including clarifying what is meant by "development" in (f). Include a wider selection of objectives to demonstrate a more holistic and interconnected approach to resource management in the region, including regional form.
S32 Director-General of Conservation	S32.002	Overarching Objective A	Support in part	It is unclear in clause (c) whether the life-supporting capacity of ecosystems is to be protected and enhanced in its own right, or only as part of mana whenua / tangata whenua values. S5(b) of the Act requires that it be safeguarded in its own right, so this should be made clear.	Amend as follows, or words to like effect: "(c)protects and enhances mana whenua / tangata whenua values, in particular mahinga kai; and(d) protects and enhances the life-supporting capacity of the environment; and..."
S34 Te Kaunihera o Te Awa Kairangi ki Uta, Upper Hutt City Council	S34.004	Overarching Objective A	Support in part	Whilst the proposed overarching objective is supported, Council is concerned that clause (f) with regards to population growth and development is unclear and could be difficult to achieve within the context of the provisions proposed within RPSPC1.	Retain objective largely as notified but amend provisions that Council seeks changes to within this submission, and amend clause (f) of the overarching objective to read: (f) responds effectively to the current and future pressures of environmental issues such as climate change and water quality whilst providing for future population growth, required infrastructure delivery and development
S94 Guardians of the Bays	S94.005	Overarching Objective A	Support	Not stated	Retain as notified

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S100 Meridian Energy Limited	S100.002	Overarching Objective A	Support in part	The expression 'Te Ao Māori' is not defined for the purposes of Objective A and it is not clear what guidance it will provide (or require). Clauses (a) to (f) emphasise the importance of, and need to protect, the natural environment. The RPS needs to do more than just 'recognise' the dependence of humans on the natural environment. The RPS needs to provide guidance for the development of natural resources where development is necessary to sustain communities and support community resilience. In particular, the RPS should provide clear guidance on the importance of maintaining, upgrading and adapting or relocating regionally significant infrastructure where this is necessary to support community resilience. There is a gap in Objective A in this respect. There is also potential duplication between the requirements in clauses (a) to (c) and the reference to Te Ao Māori.	Insert into proposed Objective A an additional consideration (e) as follows (or words that have similar effect) and re-number the following considerations sequentially: Objective A: Integrated management of the region's natural and built environments is guided by Te Ao Māori and: (a) incorporates mātauranga Māori; and (b) recognises ki uta ki tai - the holistic nature and interconnectedness of all parts of the natural environment; and (c) protects and enhances mana whenua / tangata whenua values, in particular mahinga kai, and the life-supporting capacity of ecosystems; and (d) recognises the dependence of humans on a healthy natural environment; and (e) enables use and development of natural and physical resources to support the infrastructure (including regionally significant infrastructure) necessary to strengthen the resilience of communities to meet the future challenges associated with climate change; and (f) recognises the role of both natural and physical resources in providing for the characteristics and qualities of well-functioning urban environments; and (g) responds effectively to the current and future pressures of climate change, population growth and development.

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S102 Te Tumu Paeroa Office of the Māori Trustee	S102.001	Overarching Objective A	Support in part	Generally supports Objective A. However, Te Mana o te Wai needs to be given effect to in Objective A. This will ensure that the overarching resource management objective is appropriately addressing issues raised, particularly issue 1 and 3.	Insert new subclause into Objective A to give effect to Te Mana o te Wai as follows: Objective A Integrated management of the region's natural and built environments is guided by TeAo Māori and: (a) Gives effect to Te Mana o te Wai;...
S102 Te Tumu Paeroa Office of the Māori Trustee	S102.002	Overarching Objective A	Support in part	Generally supports Objective A. However, ki uta ki tai should be recognised and provided for within Objective A. This will ensure that mana whenua/ tangata whenua values and mātauranga Māori is appropriately recognised and provided for in decision making.	Amend Objective A(b) as follows: ... (b) recognise and provides for ki uta ki tai - the holistic nature and interconnectedness of all parts of the natural environment. ...
S106 Patricia (Dr) Laing	S106.007	Overarching Objective A	Not Stated / Neutral	Objective A seems to be an isolated mention of the importance of ensuring food security in the region. This topic could easily be missed, but needs to be highlighted especially in relationship to NPS-UD, NPS-IB, and extreme weather as well as in mitigation relating to Climate Change. Pollinating bees are crucial to successful food security in the Wellington region, as is increasing appropriate farming opportunities to protect food security including beekeeping.	Amend or add provisions to increase appropriate farming opportunities to protect food security including beekeeping.
S113 Wellington Water	S113.002	Overarching Objective A	Support in part	The notified version of Objective A: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fails to provide for the characteristics and qualities of well-functioning urban environments • Fails to provide for regionally significant infrastructure 	Amend Objective A as follows: Objective A: Integrated management of the region's natural and built environments is guided by Te Ao Māori and:

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Has some unclear drafting • Establishes Te Ao Māori as the pre-eminent concept for delivering integrated management with no guidance on how to achieve it. There are no supporting objectives, policies or methods about what integrated management guided by Te Ao Māori is. <p>In addition, clauses (a) to (f) emphasise the importance of, and need to protect, the natural environment. The RPS needs to do more than just 'recognise' the dependence of humans on the natural environment. The RPS needs to provide guidance for the development of natural resources where development is necessary to sustain communities and support community resilience.</p>	<p>(a) is guided by Te Ao Māori and incorporates mātauranga Māori; and</p> <p>(b) recognises ki uta ki tai - the holistic nature and interconnectedness of all parts of the natural environment; and</p> <p>(c) protects and enhances mana whenua / tangata whenua values, in particular mahinga kai and the life supporting capacity of ecosystems; and (d) protects and enhances the life-supporting capacity of ecosystems; and (e) recognises the dependence of humans on a healthy natural environment</p> <p>(f) recognises the role of natural and physical resources in providing for the provides for and enhances the characteristics and qualities of well-functioning urban environments, which are supported by both natural and physical resources, including regionally significant infrastructure; and (g) enables use and development of natural and physical resources to support the infrastructure (including regionally significant infrastructure) necessary to strengthen the resilience of communities to meet the future challenges associated with climate change; and (h) responds effectively to the current and future pressures of climate change, population growth and development.</p>

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					<p>OR</p> <p>amend Objective A as follows: Objective A: Integrated management of the region's natural and built environments is guided by Te Ao Māori and by:</p> <p>(a) incorporates ing mātauranga Māori; and</p> <p>(b) recognises ing ki uta ki tai - the holistic nature and interconnectedness of all parts of the natural environment; and</p> <p>(c) protects ing and enhances ing mana whenua / tangata whenua values, in particular mahinga kai and the life supporting capacity of ecosystems; and (d) protectsing and enhancing the life-supporting capacity of ecosystems; and</p> <p>(e) — recognises the dependence of humans on a healthy natural environment (f) recognises the role of natural and physical resources in provided for the providesing for and enhances ing the characteristics and qualities of well-functioning urban environments, which are supported by both natural and physical resources, including regionally significant infrastructure; and</p> <p>(g) enabling use and development of natural and physical resources to support the infrastructure (including regionally significant infrastructure) necessary to strengthen the resilience of communities to meet the future</p>

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					<p>challenges associated with climate change; and</p> <p>(h) responding effectively to the current and future pressures of climate change, population growth and development.</p>
S115 Hutt City Council	S115.005	Overarching Objective A	Support in part	To aid in navigating the RPS, the objective should not be located within a chapter introduction, but stand alone.	Relocate proposed Objective A out of the chapter introduction and treat consistently with how other objectives in the RPS are presented.
S128 Horticulture New Zealand	S128.002	Overarching Objective A	Support	Integrated management is a key theme of national direction, such as the NPSFM 2020 and supports this.	Retain as notified.
S131 Ātiawa ki Whakarongotai Charitable Trust	S131.013	Overarching Objective A	Support in part	<p>Ātiawa supports the inclusion of Objective A. Objective A strengthens the position of te ao Māori, including mana whenua and mātauranga Māori in resource management. Ātiawa recognises the importance of this provision as it sets out what is to be achieved in the region and demonstrates to plan users that at the highest level te ao Māori must be embraced and provided for.</p> <p>Ātiawa seek reference the connection between mana whenua and te taiao. This relationship is inextricable and of the utmost importance to Ātiawa. There should be explicit reference in this Objective to ensure that the relationship is provided for in the RPS.</p> <p>In addition, mātauranga Māori should also guide the "Integrated management of the region's natural and built environments." Finally Ātiawa note that natural and physical resources are taonga. s6 of the RMA requires that those matters are not only recognised but also provided for.</p>	<p>Insert new subclause: (aa) support the connection between mana whenua and te taiao</p> <p>Insert the words:</p> <p>Objective A: Integrated management of the region's natural and built environments is guided by Te Ao Māori and mātauranga Māori and:</p> <p>Amend subclause (e):</p> <p>(e) recognises and provides for the role of both natural and physical resources in providing for the characteristics and qualities of well-functioning urban environments; and</p>
S133 Muaūpoko Tribal Authority	S133.002	Overarching Objective A	Support in part	Supports the intent of the objective, particularly the reference to integrated management being guided by te ao Māori and incorporating mātauranga Māori. However, request specific acknowledgement of Muaūpoko as having connection to Te Whanganui-a-Tara.	Amend the objective to ensure Muaūpoko's connection to Te- Whanganui-a-Tara is acknowledged.

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S134 Powerco Limited	S134.001	Overarching Objective A	Oppose	<p>Objective A fails to provide for the characteristics and qualities of well functioning urban environments and fails to provide for regionally significant infrastructure. The life supporting capacity of ecosystems is considered to be a stand-alone consideration, rather than a subset of mana whenua values. In addition, the objective establishes Te Ao Māori as the pre-eminent concept for delivering integrated management with no guidance on how to achieve it. There are no supporting methods, policies or methods about what integrated management guided by Te Ao Māori is. There is a broader concern that Objective A does not fully reflect the diversity of resource management issues and objectives currently provided for in the operative RPS and presented under the following topic headings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Air quality • Coastal environment, including public access • Energy, infrastructure and waste • Fresh water, including public access • Historic heritage • Indigenous ecosystems • Landscape • Natural hazards • Regional form, design and function • Resource management with tangata whenua • Soils and minerals <p>The objective, therefore, potentially prioritises some issues over others that are not referenced in the wording of Objective A, or the three new overarching resource management issues proposed by Proposed Change 1 and appears to pre-empt upcoming legislative change including gazettal of the NPS-Indigenous Biodiversity. At a minimum, the changes sought should be made.</p>	<p>Amend Objective A to clearly provide for the characteristics and qualities of well-functioning urban environments and to provide for regionally significant infrastructure, as follows: Objective A: Integrated management of the region's natural and built environments is guided by Te Ao Māori and: (a) is guided by Te Ao Māori and incorporates mātauranga Māori; and (b) recognises ki uta ki tai - the holistic nature and interconnectedness of all parts of the natural environment; and (c) protects and enhances mana whenua / tangata whenua values, in particular mahinga kai, and the life supporting capacity of ecosystems; and (d) protects and enhances the life-supporting capacity of ecosystems; and (e) recognises the dependence of humans on a healthy natural environment; and (f) recognises the role of both natural and physical resources in providing for the provides for and enhances characteristics and qualities of well-functioning urban environments which are supported by both natural and physical resources, including regionally significant infrastructure; and (g) responds effectively to the current and future pressures of climate change, population growth and development.</p>
S140 Wellington City	S140.005	Overarching Objective A	Support in part	<p>To aid in navigating the RPS, the objective should not be located within a chapter introduction, instead it should be located in a stand alone chapter.</p>	<p>Relocate proposed Objective A out of the chapter introduction and treat consistently with how other objectives in the RPS are presented.</p>

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Council (WCC)					
S142 Combined Cycle Submitters (CCS)	S142.002	Overarching Objective A	Support	Supports the integrated management approach of Change 1 generally and request that care is taken to maintain the integrity of this approach.	Retain as notified.
S147 Wellington Fish and Game Council	S147.002	Overarching Objective A	Support	Necessary to give effect to the NPS-FM.	Retain as notified.
S148 Wellington International Airport Ltd (WIAL)	S148.013	Overarching Objective A	Oppose in part	The expression 'Te Ao Māori' is not defined for the purposes of Objective A and it is not clear what guidance it will provide (or require).	Either define and provide sufficient methodologies to support the intent of this objective or delete
S157 BP Oil NZ Ltd, Mobil Oil Ltd and Z Energy Ltd	S157.001	Overarching Objective A	Oppose	<p>Objective A fails to provide for the characteristics and qualities of well functioning urban environments and fails to provide for regionally significant infrastructure. The life supporting capacity of ecosystems is considered to be a stand-alone consideration, rather than a subset of mana whenua values.</p> <p>In addition, the objective establishes Te Ao Māori as the pre-eminent concept for delivering integrated management with no guidance on how to achieve it. There are no supporting methods, policies or methods about what integrated management guided by Te Ao Māori is.</p> <p>There is a broader concern that Objective A does not fully reflect the diversity of resource management issues and objectives currently provided for in the operative RPS and presented under the following topic headings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Air quality • Coastal environment, including public access • Energy, infrastructure and waste • Fresh water, including public access • Historic heritage • Indigenous ecosystems • Landscape • Natural hazards • Regional form, design and function 	<p>Amend Objective A to clearly provide for the characteristics and qualities of well-functioning urban environments and to provide for regionally significant infrastructure, as follows:</p> <p>Objective A: Integrated management of the region's natural and built environments is guided by Te Ao Māori and:</p> <p>(a) is guided by Te Ao Māori and incorporates mātauranga Māori; and</p>

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				<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Resource management with tangata whenua • Soils and minerals <p>The objective, therefore, potentially prioritises some issues over others that are not referenced in the wording of Objective A, or the three new overarching resource management issues proposed by Proposed Change 1 and appears to pre-empt upcoming legislative change. Including gazettal of the NPS-Indigenous Biodiversity. At a minimum, the changes sought in the Fuel Companies' submission should be made.</p>	
<p>S157 BP Oil NZ Ltd, Mobil Oil Ltd and Z Energy Ltd</p>	<p>S157.002</p>	<p>Overarching Objective A</p>	<p>Oppose</p>	<p>Objective A fails to provide for the characteristics and qualities of well functioning urban environments and fails to provide for regionally significant infrastructure. The life supporting capacity of ecosystems is considered to be a stand-alone consideration, rather than a subset of mana whenua values.</p> <p>In addition, the objective establishes Te Ao Māori as the pre-eminent concept for delivering integrated management with no guidance on how to achieve it. There are no supporting methods, policies or methods about what integrated management guided by Te Ao Māori is.</p> <p>There is a broader concern that Objective A does not fully reflect the diversity of resource management issues and objectives currently provided for in the operative RPS and presented under the following topic headings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Air quality • Coastal environment, including public access • Energy, infrastructure and waste • Fresh water, including public access • Historic heritage • Indigenous ecosystems • Landscape • Natural hazards • Regional form, design and function • Resource management with tangata whenua • Soils and minerals <p>The objective, therefore, potentially prioritises some issues over others that are not referenced in the wording of Objective A, or the three new overarching resource management issues proposed by Proposed Change 1 and appears to pre-empt upcoming legislative change.</p>	<p>Split subclause, introduce new standalone subclause, as follows:</p> <p>(c) protects and enhances mana whenua / tangata whenua values, in particular mahinga kai, and the life-supporting capacity of ecosystems; and (d) protects and enhances the life-supporting capacity of ecosystems; and</p>

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				Including gazettal of the NPS-Indigenous Biodiversity. At a minimum, the changes sought in the Fuel Companies' submission should be made.	
S157 BP Oil NZ Ltd, Mobil Oil Ltd and Z Energy Ltd	S157.003	Overarching Objective A	Oppose	<p>Objective A fails to provide for the characteristics and qualities of well functioning urban environments and fails to provide for regionally significant infrastructure. The life supporting capacity of ecosystems is considered to be a stand-alone consideration, rather than a subset of mana whenua values.</p> <p>In addition, the objective establishes Te Ao Māori as the pre-eminent concept for delivering integrated management with no guidance on how to achieve it. There are no supporting methods, policies or methods about what integrated management guided by Te Ao Māori is.</p> <p>There is a broader concern that Objective A does not fully reflect the diversity of resource management issues and objectives currently provided for in the operative RPS and presented under the following topic headings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Air quality • Coastal environment, including public access • Energy, infrastructure and waste • Fresh water, including public access • Historic heritage • Indigenous ecosystems • Landscape • Natural hazards • Regional form, design and function • Resource management with tangata whenua • Soils and minerals <p>The objective, therefore, potentially prioritises some issues over others that are not referenced in the wording of Objective A, or the three new overarching resource management issues proposed by Proposed Change 1 and appears to pre-empt upcoming legislative change. Including gazettal of the NPS-Indigenous Biodiversity. At a minimum, the changes sought in the Fuel Companies' submission should be made.</p>	Amend subclause (e) as follows: (e) recognises the role of both natural and physical resources in providing for the provides for and enhances characteristics and qualities of well-functioning urban environments which are supported by both natural and physical resources, including regionally significant infrastructure; and
S157 BP Oil NZ Ltd, Mobil Oil	S157.005	Overarching Objective A	Oppose	<p>Objective A fails to provide for the characteristics and qualities of well functioning urban environments and fails to provide for regionally significant infrastructure. The life supporting capacity of ecosystems is considered to be a</p>	Delete subclause (d) as follows: (d) recognises the dependence of humans on a healthy

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Ltd and Z Energy Ltd				<p>stand-alone consideration, rather than a subset of mana whenua values.</p> <p>In addition, the objective establishes Te Ao Māori as the pre-eminent concept for delivering integrated management with no guidance on how to achieve it. There are no supporting methods, policies or methods about what integrated management guided by Te Ao Māori is.</p> <p>There is a broader concern that Objective A does not fully reflect the diversity of resource management issues and objectives currently provided for in the operative RPS and presented under the following topic headings:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Air quality • Coastal environment, including public access • Energy, infrastructure and waste • Fresh water, including public access • Historic heritage • Indigenous ecosystems • Landscape • Natural hazards • Regional form, design and function • Resource management with tangata whenua • Soils and minerals <p>The objective, therefore, potentially prioritises some issues over others that are not referenced in the wording of Objective A, or the three new overarching resource management issues proposed by Proposed Change 1 and appears to pre-empt upcoming legislative change. Including gazettal of the NPS-Indigenous Biodiversity. At a minimum, the changes sought in the Fuel Companies' submission should be made.</p>	natural environment; and
S158 Kāinga Ora Homes and Communities	S158.003	Overarching Objective A	Support in part	<p>Seeks clarity on sub point (f) of this objective to either expand on what the future pressures on climate change are or whether this sub-point can be redrafted to be more directive as per the relief sought.</p>	<p>Amend sub-point (f) as follows: (f) responds effectively to the current and future pressures of climate change, population growth and development. (f) is resilient to the likely current and future effects of climate change.</p>
S163 Wairarapa	S163.007	Overarching Objective A	Oppose	<p>Propose new objectives for the reasons set out in relation to the issues (more detail provided in the submission). The key outcome sought is a delay in</p>	<p>That Objective A be deleted Alternatively, insert an overarching objective to the following or similar effect to emphasise strengthening</p>

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Federated Farmers				changes to Chapter 3 and the suggested objectives only included if Plan Change 1 is to proceed with the same scope as notified.	<p>the connections between people and place, hapu and community, matauranga and data, putaiao and innovation:Objective A: catchment communities are enabled and empowered to collaborate in working together to support the mana of the land and the water and the people who live and work within.</p> <p>And/or a new objective to the following or similar effect to address the looming water supply-demand gap: Objective B: catchment communities are enabled and empowered to develop and prototype weaving together nature-based and built solutions for respecting and sharing water.</p> <p>Suggestions for possible content for consequential policies and methods is included in the submission.</p>
S165 Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society of New Zealand Inc. (Forest & Bird)	S165.001	Overarching Objective A	Support in part	Objective A is not clear enough that as part of integrated management, the natural environment will need to be protected. A directive statement to that effect is required. While paragraph (c) provides: protects and enhances mana whenua / tangata whenua values, in particular mahinga kai, and the life-supporting capacity of ecosystems; and there needs to be a broader requirement to protect the natural environment, not necessarily linked to mana whenua/tangata whenua values. The coastal environment needs to be referred to in this objective. Freshwater needs to be referred to in this objective. We are also unsure what the effect of the pōtai will be with respect to the listed considerations. We seek clarity on the relationship between 'guided by Te Ao	<p>Include the following (or similar): (x) maintains and protects indigenous biodiversity, natural landscapes, and the life-supporting capacity of ecosystems (y) protects the coastal environment (z) protects freshwater [Note: end of amendments]</p> <p>Consider amending the pōtai to clarify how Te Ao Māori will interact the listed items. Ensure that protection and maintenance of indigenous biodiversity is paramount.</p>

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				Māori' and the listed considerations. The s32report states that this objective is intended to provide greater clarity, however the overarching consideration of Te Ao Māori introduces a potentially significant shift from current resource management thinking. While this may be desirable, further clarity is needed on what this would mean, and how this would flow down into interpretation of later RPS provisions and lower order plans.	
S166 Masterton District Council	S166.001	Overarching Objective A	Support in part	We support the need for a better integrated system informed by te ao Māori and mātauranga Māori. More detail is required as to how the regional and district councils will undertake this work.	Retain as notified. However Further clarity is needed to explain what this looks like in practice, and what guidance will be provided to district councils.
S167 Taranaki Whānui	S167.008	Overarching Objective A	Support in part	Taranaki Whānui support the principle of the overarching Objective A including that integrated management is guided by Te Ao Māori. Both the NPS-UD and NPS-FM bring in partnership to aspects of their implementation. By including partnership in the overarching objective, it supports this theme and empowers Taranaki Whānui as Treaty partners.	Insert a new clause: (a) works in partnership with mana whenua / tangata whenua.
S170 Te Rūnanga o Toa Rangatira	S170.003	Overarching Objective A	Support in part	Objective 3 (2) uses the phrase 'Te Ao Māori and Mātauranga Māori' have not been given sufficient weight in decision-making'. It is encouraging to see the value of mātauranga Māori being recognised in the Objective 3 A (a). It seems this objective only recognises mātauranga as a knowledge system with evidence. The Objective 3 A (a) can be improved to recognise the resource management methodologies within mātauranga.	Amend Objective 3 (2) to say: 'Te Ao Māori and Mātauranga Māori' have been given limited and in some cases no weight from the governance level through the implementation".
S170 Te Rūnanga o Toa Rangatira	S170.004	Overarching Objective A	Support in part	We recommend that there is more recognition of the significant role that Māori have of kaitiakitanga, the obligation of care and protection for the environment, and the importance for Māori to have the ability to carry out this role.	Recommend that there is more recognition of the significant role that Māori have of kaitiakitanga, the obligation of care and protection for the environment, and the importance for Māori to have the ability to carry out this role. Specify how objective A will be implemented with mana

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				Objective A mentions 'integrated and respectful environmental stewardship'. Does the reference to stewardship is written to mean the Crown? If this means to say kaitiakitanga, the text needs to be clear separating these. Objectives from (a) to (e) do not mention how Objective A will be implemented with Mana Whenua; an additional clause (f) could be inserted and could mean to say: co-designs with Mana Whenua and iwi how Te Ao Māori and Mātauranga will be used, and responds to Mana Whenua and iwi principles and values and aspirations delivering environmental outcomes.	whenua by adding an additional clause " (g) co-designs with Mana Whenua and iwi how Te Ao Māori and Mātauranga will be used, and responds to Mana Whenua and iwi principles and values and aspirations delivering environmental outcomes. " Clarify that environmental stewardship is different to kaitiakitanga.
S170 Te Rūnanga o Toa Rangatira	S170.005	Overarching Objective A	Support	Objective A(e) aims to respond effectively to pressures such as, climate change. However, these are not only future pressures but pressures we currently experience.	We recommend rewording this objective as to read 'responds effectively to the current and future pressures of climate change, population growth and development.'
S170 Te Rūnanga o Toa Rangatira	S170.006	Overarching Objective A	Support in part	Objective A mentions 'integrated and respectful environmental stewardship'. Does the reference to stewardship is written to mean the Crown? If this means to say kaitiakitanga, the text needs to be clear separating these. Objectives from (a) to (e) do not mention how Objective A will be implemented with Mana Whenua;	Insert a new clause that mean to say: (g) co-designs with Mana Whenua and iwi how Te Ao Māori and Mātauranga will be used, and responds to Mana Whenua and iwi principles and values and aspirations delivering environmental outcomes.
S168 Rangitāne O Wairarapa Inc	S168.0192	Overarching Objective A	Support in part	Rangitāne o Wairarapa support the objective, particularly the reference to integrated management being guided by Te Ao Māori and incorporating mātauranga Māori. However, we consider tangata whenua relationships with the natural environment should also be included in clause (c) and that the life-supporting capacity of ecosystems should be a separate clause.	- amend clause (c) of the objective to states: protects and enhances mana whenua / tangata whenua values and relationships with the taiao , in particular mahinga kai, or by alternative wording that provides similar relief and that addresses the full range of relevant matters in s6(e) of the RMA;To separate out the 'life-supportingcapacity of ecosystems' so this becomes a separate clause and an additionalmatter to protect and enhance;

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S168 Rangitāne O Wairarapa Inc	S168.0193	Overarching Objective A	Support in part	This objective should be amended to acknowledge that mātauranga Māori will only be incorporated where this is led and undertaken by mana whenua/tangata whenua.	Amend objective to include that mātauranga Māori will be led and undertaken by mana whenua and tangata whenua
S168 Rangitāne O Wairarapa Inc	S168.0194	Overarching Objective A	Support in part	How does this overarching objective interact with other objectives in the plan, particularly if there is a conflict in terms of outcomes?	Clarify the status of the objective in relation to other objectives of the plan and include a policy or some other mechanism to explain how the overarching objective should be applied alongside the other objectives of the RPS.