

NOTABLE TREES

Amendments Proposed to other Chapters of the District Plan 1

This chapter has been prepared as part of Council’s District Plan Review Project. It has been prepared in line with the National Planning Standards.

The chapter in its entirety is proposed for inclusion to the District Plan as part of Proposed Plan Change H(b) Notable Trees. Where there are amendments to the existing text (e.g. consequential changes) recommended text is shown as underlined or ~~strikethrough~~. Text that is yellow highlighted underlined or shown with ~~strikeout~~ shows amendments to Proposed Plan Change H(b) Notable Trees as a result of submissions.

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Definitions – Insert the following definitions into Chapter 2 Definitions:

Earthworks (in relation to Notable Trees Chapter):

Means the alteration or disturbance of land, including by moving, removing, placing, blading, cutting, contouring, filling or excavation of earth (or any matter constituting the land including soil, clay, sand and rock); but excludes gardening, cultivation, and disturbance of land for the installation of posts without concrete.

Root Protection Area:

The Root Protection Area is a circle taken from the centre of the trunk with a radius equal to 12 times the diameter of the trunk measured at 140cm height. Note that the maximum Root Protection Area radius should be no greater than 15m and no less than 2m.

Consequential Changes to District Plan

Note grey shaded text is proposed as part of Plan Change H(a).

Appendix 1D Trees with Heritage Value

Delete Appendix 1D Trees with Heritage Value in its entirety.

Chapter 3D Earthworks:

- a. Amend Policy 1.2 as follows:

Policy 1.2 To restrict earthworks within the area of items scheduled in Appendix 1A (Wetlands, Lakes, Rivers and their Margins), 1B (Significant Areas of Indigenous Forest/Vegetation (excluding Reserves), ~~1D (Trees with Heritage Value)~~, 1E (Buildings and Objects with Heritage Value), 1F (Sites with Heritage Value), Historic Heritage Schedule 4b (Significant Historic Built Heritage - Wider Manawatū District), and Notable Trees Schedule.

- b. Add Guidance Note 4 under Rule 3D.4.1 Permitted Activities: Guidance Notes, as follows:

“4. Refer also to TREE-R3 in the Notable Tree Chapter for additional rules about earthworks in relation to notable trees.”

Rule A1 Subdivision Rules

A1.3.2 Reservation of Control – Controlled Activity Subdivision Applications

A) The matters in respect of which **Council** has reserved its control are:

xii) Impact of subdivision upon future management of **natural areas, and heritage places,** and items listed in Schedules 4a, 4b and the Notable Trees Schedule.

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A1.2 Information Requirements For Resource Consent Applications and Designations

A1.2.2 Land Use Consent Applications

d) An assessment of the actual or potential effects on the environment of the activity, including adverse effects, benefits and cumulative effects, particularly:

- Any effect on heritage places, items listed in Historic Heritage Schedule 4a, Schedule 4b and the Notable Trees Schedule, natural areas or other places of special value to present and future generations.

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A1.2.3 Subdivision Consent Applications

A) All applications shall be in the proper form and should include:

ii) Plans drawn to scale, legible and capable of being readily copied. The plans must show, as appropriate:

o) Any heritage places and items listed in Historic Heritage Schedule 4a, Schedule 4b and the Notable Trees Schedule identified by the Plan

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A1.3.4 Assessment of Discretionary Activity Applications

A) In assessing discretionary activities Council will have regard to matters including the following:

xiv) The effect of the proposal on the heritage values and preservation of any place or object listed in Appendices 1A to 1F, Appendices 1A, 1B, 1E, 1F, and items listed in Historic Heritage Schedules 4a, 4b and the Notable Trees Schedule, or upon the heritage significance of any **natural area** in terms of the criteria in Appendix 11.