

Natural and Environmental Values / Public Access

Sub-part / Chapter / Provision	Submitter Name	Sub No / Point No	Position	Summary of Submission	Decisions Requested
Natural and Environmental Values / Public Access / PA-O1	Victoria University of Wellington Students' Association	123.44	Support	Supports that public access is maintained along the coast, lakes, and rivers.	Retain PA-O1 (Public access) as notified. [Inferred decision requested]
Natural and Environmental Values / Public Access / PA-O1	Tyers Stream Group	221.61	Support	[No specific reason given beyond decision requested - refer to original submission]	Retain PA-O1 (Public access) as notified.
Natural and Environmental Values / Public Access / PA-O1	Greater Wellington Regional Council	351.170	Support	Considers it gives effect to section 6(d) of the RMA.	Retain PA-O1 (Public Access) as notified.
Natural and Environmental Values / Public Access / PA-O1	WCC Environmental Reference Group	377.157	Support	Objective PA-O1 is supported as it safeguards public access, whilst protecting environmental values is important to Wellington and a city that has a strong relationship to its natural environment.	Retain PA-O1 (Public access) as notified.
Natural and Environmental Values / Public Access / PA-O1	Director-General of Conservation	385.47	Support	Supports proposed Objective PA-O1 (Public access).	Retain objective PA-O1 (Public access) as notified.
Natural and Environmental Values / Public Access / PA-O2	Tyers Stream Group	221.62	Support	[No specific reason given beyond decision requested - refer to original submission]	Retain PA-O2 (Adverse effects of public access) as notified.
Natural and Environmental Values / Public Access / PA-O2	Meridian Energy Limited	228.92	Oppose in part	Considers the objective needs to be moderated to ensure that public access does not compromise the security of existing regionally significant infrastructure.	Retain Objective PA-O2 (Adverse effects of public access) with amendment.
Natural and Environmental Values / Public Access / PA-O2	Meridian Energy Limited	228.93	Amend	Considers the objective needs to be moderated to ensure that public access does not compromise the security of existing regionally significant infrastructure.	Amend Objective PA-O2 (Adverse effects of public access) to protect the security of regionally significant infrastructure as follows (or similar): Adverse effects of public access Public access does not have a negative impact on existing values such as natural character, indigenous biodiversity, landscape values, historic heritage, sites of significance to Māori, <u>the security of regionally significant infrastructure</u> or the coastal environment.
Natural and Environmental Values / Public Access / PA-O2	Greater Wellington Regional Council	351.171	Support in part	The objective is generally supported, but amendments are sought to ensure that the objective is achieved.	Retain PA-O2 (Adverse effects of public access) with amendment.
Natural and Environmental Values / Public Access / PA-O2	Greater Wellington Regional Council	351.172	Amend	Considers an assessment of natural character in riparian margins landward of the coastal environment has not yet been undertaken, and is necessary to protect existing natural character values. It is sought that the natural character ratings of riparian margins are assessed, which has been sought through a new policy in the natural character chapter.	Seeks that the Objective PA-O2 (Adverse effects of public access) is ensured by undertaking natural character ratings of riparian margins.
Natural and Environmental Values / Public Access / PA-O2	WCC Environmental Reference Group	377.158	Support	Objective PA-O2 is supported as it safeguards public access, whilst protecting environmental values is important to Wellington and a city that has a strong relationship to its natural environment.	Retain PA-O2 (Adverse effects of public access) as notified.
Natural and Environmental Values / Public Access / PA-O2	Director-General of Conservation	385.48	Support	Supports proposed Objective PA-O2 (Adverse effects of public access).	Retain objective PA-O2 (Adverse effects of public access) as notified.
Natural and Environmental Values / Public Access / PA-O2	Wellington International Airport Ltd	406.252	Oppose in part	Considers that there are further changes are required to the objective to ensure there is a clear policy rationale for limbs 5 and 11 of Policy PA-P3.	Opposes PA-O2 (Adverse effects of public access) and seeks amendment.

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Natural and Environmental Values / Public Access / PA-O2	Wellington International Airport Ltd	406.253	Amend	Considers that there are further changes are required to the objective to ensure there is a clear policy rationale for limbs 5 and 11 of Policy PA-P3.	Amend PA-O2 (Adverse effects of public access) as follows: ... Public access does not have a negative impact on: <u>a. existing values such as natural character, indigenous biodiversity, landscape values, historic heritage, sites of significance to Māori or the coastal environment; or</u> <u>b. Public health and safety, particularly with respect to the safe operation and functioning of the Port and Airport.</u>
Natural and Environmental Values / Public Access / PA-O2	Te Rūnanga o Toa Rangatira	488.54	Support	Supports that the objective seeks to ensure that public access does not negatively impacts Sites and Areas of Significance to Maori.	Retain Objective PA-O2 (Adverse effects of public access) as notified.
Natural and Environmental Values / Public Access / PA-P1	Tyers Stream Group	221.63	Amend	[No specific reason given beyond decision requested - refer to original submission]	Seeks amendment to PA-P1 (Appropriate activities) to clearly deliver the enhancement required by Objective PA-O1.
Natural and Environmental Values / Public Access / PA-P1	Greater Wellington Regional Council	351.173	Support	Considers it gives effect to section 6(d) of the RMA.	Retain PA-P1 (Appropriate activities) as notified.
Natural and Environmental Values / Public Access / PA-P1	WCC Environmental Reference Group	377.159	Support	PA-P1 is supported as it safeguards public access, whilst protecting environmental values is important to Wellington and a city that has a strong relationship to its natural environment.	Retain PA-P1 (Appropriate activities) as notified.
Natural and Environmental Values / Public Access / PA-P2	Tyers Stream Group	221.64	Amend	[No specific reason given beyond decision requested - refer to original submission]	Seeks amendment to PA-P2.3 to include setbacks from both existing and potential public access corridors to ensure linkages are made or enabled.
Natural and Environmental Values / Public Access / PA-P2	Greater Wellington Regional Council	351.174	Amend	Considers that an assessment of natural character in riparian margins landward of the coastal environment has not yet been undertaken.	Seeks to ensure that the natural character ratings of riparian margins are undertaken.
Natural and Environmental Values / Public Access / PA-P2	WCC Environmental Reference Group	377.160	Support	PA-P2 is supported as it sends an important signal about the need to take steps to at least maintain, and wherever possible enhance public access to the coast and water ways.	Retain PA-P2 (Maintenance and enhancement of public access) as notified.
Natural and Environmental Values / Public Access / PA-P2	Director-General of Conservation	385.49	Support	Supports proposed Policy PA-P2 (Maintenance and enhancement of public access).	Retain policy PA-P2 (Maintenance and enhancement of public access) as notified.
Natural and Environmental Values / Public Access / PA-P3	Tyers Stream Group	221.65	Support	[No specific reason given beyond decision requested - refer to original submission]	Retain PA-P3 (Restriction of public access) as notified.
Natural and Environmental Values / Public Access / PA-P3	Meridian Energy Limited	228.94	Support in part	Considers the protection of existing regionally significant infrastructure other than the Port and Airport is another legitimate reason for restricting public access that should be added to the list of exceptions.	Retain Policy PA-P3 (Restriction of public access) with amendment.
Natural and Environmental Values / Public Access / PA-P3	Meridian Energy Limited	228.95	Amend	Considers the protection of existing regionally significant infrastructure other than the Port and Airport is another legitimate reason for restricting public access that should be added to the list of exceptions.	Amend Policy PA-P3 (Restriction of public access) by adding an additional circumstance for restriction to the list as follows: Restriction of public access Only allow for the restriction of public access to, along or adjacent to the coast and waterbodies where the restriction is necessary to: 1. 11. Provide for the safe and efficient operation of <u>regionally significant infrastructure, including the Port and Airport Zone.</u>
Natural and Environmental Values / Public Access / PA-P3	Greater Wellington Regional Council	351.175	Oppose in part	Considers it unclear as to whether PA-P3(10) gives effect to a relevant higher order planning documents and therefore should not be included in PA-P3.	Opposes PA-P3 (Restriction of public access) and seeks amendments.

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Natural and Environmental Values / Public Access / PA-P3	Greater Wellington Regional Council	351.176	Amend	Considers that sub-clause 10 in PA-P3 should be deleted. (Option A)	Amend PA-P3 (Restriction of public access) as follows: Only allow for the restriction of public access to, along or adjacent to the coast and waterbodies where the restriction is necessary to: ... 10. Address other exceptional circumstances sufficient to justify the restriction; or 11. Provide for the safe and efficient operation of the Port and Airport Zone.
Natural and Environmental Values / Public Access / PA-P3	Greater Wellington Regional Council	351.177	Amend	Considers that PA-P3 should be amended to ensure the policy gives effect to higher planning documents. (Option B)	Amend PA-P3 (Restriction of public access) to ensure the policy gives effect to higher planning documents.
Natural and Environmental Values / Public Access / PA-P3	WCC Environmental Reference Group	377.161	Support	PA-P3 is supported as it recognises that in some situations the natural environment needs protecting from access.	Retain PA-P3 (Restriction of public access) as notified.
Natural and Environmental Values / Public Access / PA-P3	Wellington International Airport Ltd	406.254	Support	Considers that it is appropriate to limit the provision of public access when necessary to provide for the safe and efficient operation of activities at Wellington International Airport.	Retain PA-P3 (Restriction of Public Access) as notified.