

**In the Environment Court of New Zealand
Christchurch Registry**

**I Te Kōti Taiao O Aotearoa
Ōtautahi Rohe**

ENV-2020-CHC-000038

Under the Resource Management Act 1991 (the Act)

In the matter of an appeal under clause 14(1) of the First Schedule of the Act

Between **Te Rūnanga a Rangitāne o Wairau**
Appellant

And **Marlborough District Council**
Respondent

**Notice of the New Zealand Transport Agency's wish to be party to
proceedings**

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To The Registrar
 Environment Court
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1 Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency (**'Transport Agency'**) wishes to be a party to an appeal by Te Rūnanga a Rangitāne o Wairau (**'Appellant'**) against the decisions of the Marlborough District Council (**'Respondent'**) on the proposed Marlborough Environment Plan (**'MEP'**) (Court reference ENV-2020-CHC-38).

2 The Transport Agency:

a Is a person who has an interest in the proceedings that is greater than the interest that the general public has. This is because the Appellant's relief includes more general recognition of sites of cultural significance. The Transport Agency carries out earthworks when maintaining and upgrading state highway assets, and this has the potential to affect unknown sites of cultural significance; and

b Made a submission about the subject matter of the proceedings.

3 The Transport Agency is not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308C or 308CA of the Resource Management Act 1991.

4 The Transport Agency is interested in part of the proceedings, being those aspects of the appeal that are set out below at paragraph 5 of this notice.

5 The Transport Agency is interested in the following particular issues:

a Amendments sought to the objectives and policies in Chapter 10 to provide a general policy protecting sites of cultural significance not included in Schedule 13 to the MEP.

6 The Transport Agency neither supports nor opposes but is interested in the above provisions on the basis that:

a The relief sought would be relevant to activities the Transport Agency would carry out.

7 The Transport Agency agrees to participate in mediation or other alternative dispute resolution of the proceedings.

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