Online Further Submission

Further Submitters Name Manulife Forest Management

Further Submitter #108

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FS108

Wish to be heard

Yes

FS qualifier

a person who has an interest in the proposal that is greater than the interest the general public has (e.g. land owner, resource user)

FS qualifier reason

Manulife Forest Management (MFM) mangers large areas of plantation forestry in the Far North District Council. Changes to Councils rules have the potential to

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adversely affect MFM operations and the employee contracted to us.

Joint presentation

Yes

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Further submission points

| Raw FS number | Original submitter | Related Submission Point | Plan section | Provision | OS Decision Requested | SupportOppose | FS Decision requested | Reasons |
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| FS108.1 | Pacific Eco-Logic | S451.011 | General | General / Process | Insert a package of non-regulatory methods to promote and assist landowners to protect significant indigenous vegetation and habitats of indigenous fauna. This could include 1. Rate relief/ | Support | Allow | Many private landowners/managers maintain and enhance indigenous vegetation and should be supported and encouraged to do so. |
| | | | | | postponement for areas | | | |

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| | | | | | Grants for plant and animal pest control, fencing and wetland restoration | | | |
| FS108.2 | PF Olsen Limited | S91.002 | General | General / Plan Content / Miscellaneous | Amend the application of objectives, policies and rules in the plan. As the plan is currently drafted there are no permanent exotic forestry/carbon farming appropriate controls in the plan as compared to plantation forestry. | Support | Allow | All forestry activities need to clearly be provided for in the DP. |
| FS108.3 | PF Olsen Limited | S91.009 | General | General / Plan Content / Miscellaneous | Do not progress the entire Ecosystems and Indigenous biodiversity section of the plan until the Policy Statement for Indigenous Biodiversity has been gazetted. | Support | Allow | As said in the original submission until the NPS-IB has been released this chapter should be put on hold. |
| FS108.4 | Northland Regional Council | S359.019 | General | General / Plan Content / Miscellaneous | Amend to include stronger reverse sensitivity provisions. Provisions to consider requiring greater setbacks of potentially up to 100m for habitable buildings within production zones, appropriate visual and physical screening and limitations on intensity of noise sensitive activities | Support | Allow | Ensuring appropriate setbacks and buffer zones between zones and land uses allows for certainty of rural activities. |

| FS108.5 | Northland Regional Council | S359.039 | General | General / Plan Content / Miscellaneous | Amend the Plan to consider including controls on exotic carbon forestry within the coastal environment, natural character areas, ONFL and areas of elite soils to protect the values of these resources and to manage nuisance such as shading, plant pest spread and fire risk. | Oppose | Disallow | The NES PF already has rules in place to address these concerns. Adding further rules would be onerous and provide a lack of clarity. |
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| FS108.6 | Northland Regional Council | S359.040 | General | General / Plan Content / Miscellaneous | Amend the Plan to consider including controls on exotic carbon forestry within the coastal environment, natural character areas, ONFL and areas of elite soils to protect the values of these resources and to manage nuisance such as shading, plant pest spread and fire risk. | Oppose | Disallow | The NES PF already has rules in place to address these concerns. Adding further rules would be onerous and provide a lack of clarity. |
| FS108.7 | Northland Regional Council | S359.041 | General | General / Plan Content / Miscellaneous | Amend the Plan to consider including controls on exotic carbon forestry within the coastal environment, natural character areas, ONFL and areas of elite soils to protect the values of these resources and to manage nuisance such as shading, plant pest spread and fire risk. | Oppose | Disallow | The NES PF already has rules in place to address these concerns. Adding further rules would be onerous and provide a lack of clarity. |

| FS108.8 | Northland Regional Council | S359.042 | General | General / Plan Content / Miscellaneous | Amend the Plan to consider including controls on exotic carbon forestry within the coastal environment, natural character areas, ONFL and areas of elite soils to protect the values of these resources and to manage nuisance such as shading, plant pest spread and fire risk. | Oppose | Disallow | The NES PF already has rules in place to address these concerns. Adding further rules would be onerous and provide a lack of clarity. |
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| FS108.9 | Director-General of Conservation (Department of Conservation) | S364.005 | General | General / Plan Content / Miscellaneous | Amend the Plan to be consistent with the NPSIB exposure draft. Specifically, but not limited to: • Protect SNAs and identified taonga on Māori lands inline with clause 3.18 of the NPSIB exposure draft. • Include objectives, policies, or methods in the PDP for managing the adverse effects of new subdivision, use, and development on highly mobile fauna areas. • Incorporate NPSIB Appendices 3 | Oppose | Disallow | The DP should be consistent with the NPS-IB. Disallow submitters suggestions and ensure the DP is consistent with the NPS-IB. |

| | | | | | and 4 or like principles into the PDP. Update proposed Policy IB-P4 to require that any biodiversity offset, or biodiversity compensation be in accordance with these principles. | | | |
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| FS108.10 | Northland Federated Farmers of New Zealand | S421.001 | General | General / Plan Content / Miscellaneous | Amend (inferred) the District Plan to ensure a clear pathway for existing primary production activities to continue in the rural zones of the Far North District. | Support in part | Allow in part | Where primary production complies with appropriate rules and or standards existing use rights should be permitted. Council should be supporting the ongoing development of future primary industry in the FND. |
| FS108.11 | Vision Kerikeri (Vision for Kerikeri and Environs, VKK) | S527.009 | General | General / Plan Content / Miscellaneous | Amend the PDP to actively protect areas where kiwi or indigenous species classed as threatened or at risk (under NZ Threat Classification System) are present. For example, landowners should be required to contact DOC for a trained detection dog or other investigation, and agree with DOC a clear plan to protect | Oppose | Disallow | There are provisions set out in the NES-PF and NPS-IB on how to deal with indigenous biodiversity and clearance in a plantation forest. Further restrictions are onerous and unnecessary. |

| | | | | | vulnerable species, before any vegetation clearance starts. Where appropriate, clearance should be staggered over time, so that indigenous species are able to move to shelter. Insert an appendix to the PDP to include, or refer to, a protocol that sets out guiding principles and procedures. | | | |
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| FS108.12 | Kapiro Conservation Trust | S442.001 | General | General / Plan Content / Miscellaneous | Amend policies and rules relating to vegetation clearance as are too permissive and do not provide sufficient protection for even the minimal maintenance of (a) indigenous vegetation and ecosystems, (b) kiwi and indigenous species classed as threatened or at risk (under the NZ Threat Classification System), (c) freshwater, and (d) other ecological, landscape, character and amenity values. | Oppose | Disallow | There are provisions in the NES-PF and guidance under the NPS-IB on vegetation clearance in a plantation forest. There are also provision set out on protection of indigenous species. Further rules are onerous and unnecessary. |
| FS108.13 | Summit Forests New Zealand Limited | S148.013 | Sites and areas of significance to Māori | Rules | Amend the rules under Sites and areas of significance to Māori to provide for the removal of plantation forest trees from a scheduled site and areas of significance to Māori under an authority issued by Heritage New | Support | Allow | Agree with submitters reasonings. There are established protocols in removing plantation forestry trees from sites of significance. |

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| FS108.14 | Carbon Neutral NZ Trust | S529.126 | Ecosystems and indigenous biodiversity | IB-R2 | Amend Rule IB-R2 to apply to vegetation that includes indigenous vegetation. | Oppose | Disallow | The NES-PF provides the appropriate provisions and the NPS-IB provides guidance on harvesting plantation forestry. Further rules is onerous and unnecessary. |
| FS108.15 | Summit Forests New Zealand Limited | S148.027 | Natural features and landscapes | NFL-P4 | Amend NPFL-P4 to read "Provide for primary production activities within ONL and on ONF where: a. the use forms part of the characteristics and qualities that established the landscape or feature; and b. the use is consistent with, and does not compromise the characteristics and qualities of the landscape or feature." and | Support | Allow | As described by the original submitter. |
| FS108.16 | PF Olsen Limited | S91.016 | Natural features and landscapes | Rules | Amend the rules for plantation forestry activities in the Natural Featiures and Landscapes overlays limiting to only apply to plantation forestry earthworks. Delete the irrelevant Matters of Discretion | Support | Allow | As described by the original submitter. |

| | | | | | for earthworks in Natural Features and Landscapes overlays. | | | |
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| | | | | | Amend the rules to provide consistency of application for primary production activities. | | | |
| FS108.17 | Summit Forests New Zealand Limited | S148.029 | Natural features and landscapes | Rules | Amend rules to provide for existing Plantation Forestry and Plantation Forestry Activities in an ONL and/or ONF as a permitted activity subject to the provisions of the NES-PF | Support | Allow | As described by the original submitter. |
| FS108.18 | Summit Forests New Zealand Limited | S148.036 | Earthworks | Rules | Amend the provisions to provide for earthworks associated with plantation forestry and plantation forestry activities as a permitted activity subject to the provisions of the NES-PF. | Support | Allow | As described by the original submitter. |
| FS108.19 | Summit Forests New Zealand Limited | S148.040 | Noise | Rules | Amend the chapter to make it clear that noise and vibration associated with all plantation forestry activities is a permitted activity subject to the provisions of regulation 98 of the NES-PF. | Support | Allow | As described by the original submitter and provides consistency with the NES-PF. |
| FS108.20 | Summit Forests New Zealand Limited | S148.043 | Mineral extraction overlay | Notes | Amend to correctly reference the relevant quarrying sections of the NES-PF. | Support | Allow | As described by the original submitter. |

| FS108.21 | PF Olsen Limited | S91.013 | Planning maps | Outstanding Natural Feature | Delete any areas of plantation forest from the Outstanding Natural Features overlay mapping. | Support | Allow | As described by the original submitter. |
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| FS108.22 | Summit Forests New Zealand Limited | S148.054 | Planning maps | High Natural Character | Delete any High Natural Character overlay from plantation forest areas | Support | Allow | As described by the original submitter. |