

PWDP National Planning Standards - Guiding Principles Document

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1 Introduction

The purpose of this document is to:

- Set out key parameters and guiding principles to enable the Proposed Waikato District Plan (PWDP) to be re-housed and re-structured into the National Planning Standards (NPS) format for a District Plan;
- Set out a process for rehoming PWDP provisions; and
- Record any key decisions by Waikato District Council (WDC) where the NPS provides discretion for WDC to make a final determination (for example the selection of NPS zones); and
- Discuss key issues identified with the implementation of the NPS.

To achieve the above, this document should be considered a “live document” and updated on a regular basis.

This document provides a framework for the development of a consistent approach by establishing principles to guide the re-housing of provisions. These principles will be particularly useful where provisions do not have an obvious home in the District Plan Structure Standard or could potentially be re-homed in multiple locations.

Following the receipt of feedback from submitters on the NPS version of the Proposed District Plan, comments will be summarised in this report.

1.1 Background

A memo was provided to the Panel from WDC (dated 11 February 2020) setting out potential options for implementing (or not) the NPS.

The direction of the Panel is included as Appendix A (Minutes and Directions from Hearing Commissioners dated 20 February 2020) and in summary seeks to implement (at the minimum) the NPS structure for single topic chapters and deconstruction of Chapters 4 and 5 of the PWP, but to aim for full implementation at the same time where practicable and within scope of submissions and further submissions.

This direction has informed the re-housing process subject to this report.

1.2 Limitations

This document sets out principles and parameters for the rehoming of PWDP provision into the NPS structure. Making changes to provisions based on merits is strictly outside the scope of this exercise, instead only structural changes have been made to better implement the NPS.

The Panel will consider changes to provisions raised in submission and at hearings, and subsequently make decisions on merits.

1.3 Deliverables

This document is supported by three main deliverables. These are:

1. A high-level road-map showing where provisions of the PWDP have been rehomed to, in accordance with the NPS District Plan Structure Standard;
2. Working tables for each PWDP chapter, which show the recommended rehoming location in accordance with the NPS District Plan Structure Standard and the reasoning or applicable NPS direction to support the recommendation; and

3. PDF chapters based on the NPS District Plan Structure Standard. These documents show the final location of PWDP provisions with any subsequent modifications made in track changes.

2 Principles

Following discussions with WDC at a kick-off workshop, and the resolution of initial issues (refer Appendix B), the following principles have been determined based on the above discussion, to date:

1. Duplication of provisions is to be avoided where practicable.

If need be, cross referencing will be used. Any gaps in the provisions will be clearly identified for the Panel to address, or Council by way of a future plan change.

2. Tangata Whenua provisions are to split between the Part 1 and Part 2 sections of the NPS District Plan Structure.

It is noted that further work is being undertaken to integrate these provisions across the PWDP, and this will be addressed in the decisions version of the plan.

3. All provisions (incl. earthworks and subdivision) regarding Historic Heritage, Notable Trees, Sites and areas of significance to Maori, Significant Natural Areas, Natural features and landscapes and Natural character and are to be located in their relevant chapters as they are section 6 matters.

Other district-wide provisions are to be located in the “General District-wide Matters” e.g. noise and earthworks from each of the zone chapters.

4. Precincts are to be “self-contained”.

Given the focused spatial application of precincts, splitting provisions into district-wide sections is not considered logical.

5. Reduce the use of cross-referencing.

The approach used is to determine the best location to rehouse provisions, based on the directions in the Standards (refer Appendix C) rather than employ extensive cross referencing.

6. Rules (activities) are to be grouped and located with relevant activity specific conditions and matters of control or discretion.

7. Gaps, and provisions that either required future work or consequential amendment are to be clearly identified.

3 Zones

Prior to undertaking the rehomeing process, the zones in the PWDP were matched with relevant NPS zones in the following table. These recommendations have been informed by section 42A reports for the relevant zone (where available), NPS zone descriptions and MfE guidance.

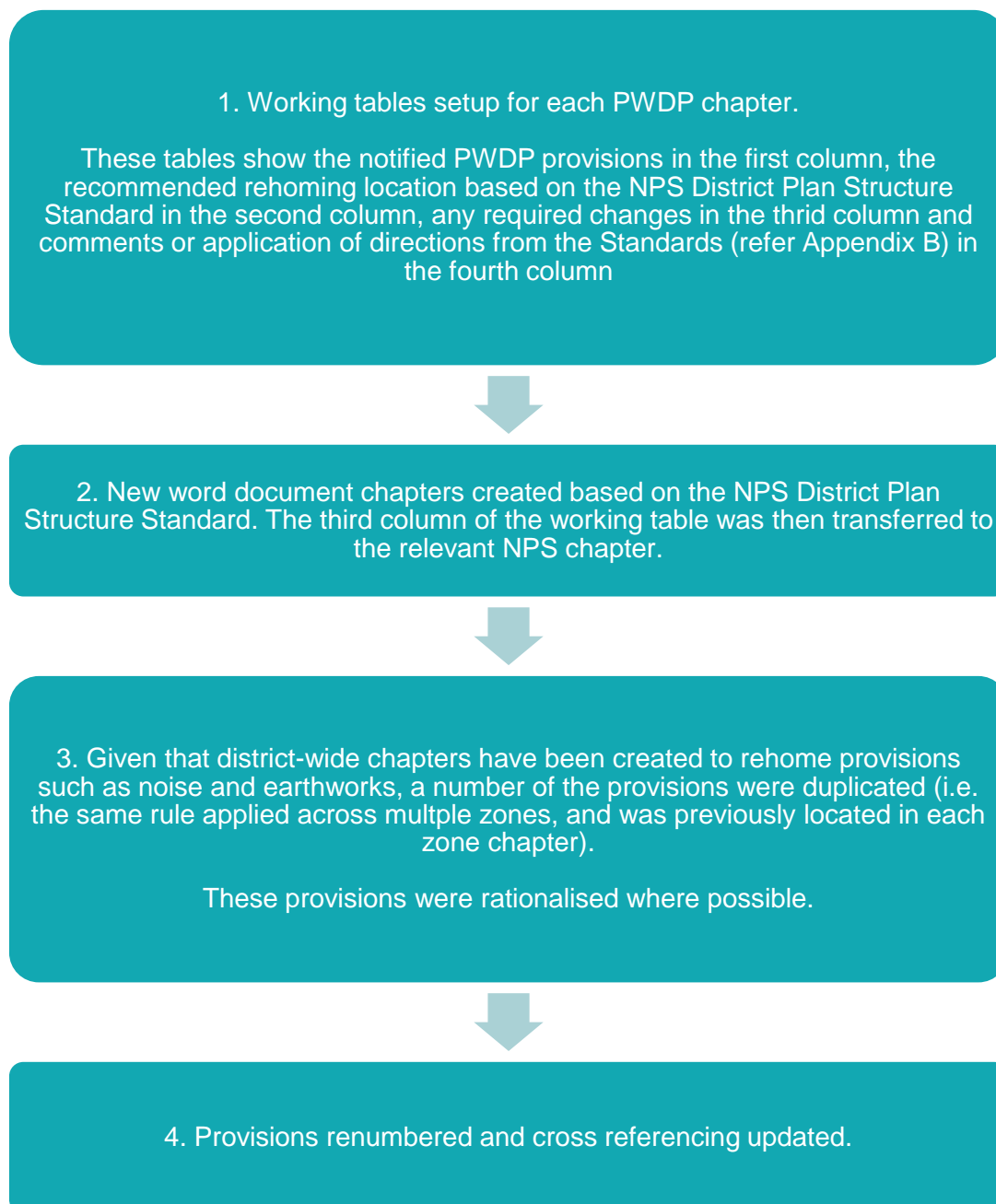
Table 1: NPS Zones

PWDP	NPS	
	Chapter	Section
Chapter 16: Residential Zone	Residential zones	General residential zone
Chapter 17: Business Zone	Commercial and mixed use zones	Commercial zone
Chapter 18: Business Town Centre Zone	Commercial and mixed use zones	Town centre zone
Chapter 19: Business Zone Tamahere	Special purpose zones	Special purpose zones
Chapter 20: Industrial Zone	Industrial zones	General industrial zone
Chapter 21: Industrial Zone Heavy	Industrial zones	Heavy industrial zone
Chapter 22: Rural Zone	Rural zones	General rural zone
Chapter 23: Country Living Zone	Rural zones	Rural lifestyle zone
Chapter 24: Village Zone	Residential zones	Large lot residential zone
Chapter 25: Reserve Zone	Open space and recreation zones	Open space zone
Chapter 26: Hampton Downs Motor Sport and Recreational Zone	Special purpose zones	Special purpose zone
Chapter 27: Te Kowhai Airpark Zone	Special purpose zones	Special purpose zone
Chapter 28: Rangitahi Peninsula Zone	Special purpose zones	Special purpose zone

4 Methodology

Following the identification of principles and matching of zones, a methodology was developed to systematically rehome all provisions of the PWDP. To do this the following process was developed to ensure recommendations are made consistently and reasoning is recorded:

Figure 1: Methodology



5 NPS District Plan Structure Standard

The below table sets out the NPS District Plan Structure and the associated PDF names. A specific naming convention has been used to name the chapters, so all the PDFs can be ordered as per the plan structure.

Drafting notes have been added to identify chapters with gaps, which require new provisions to be drafted, or require modification to be consistent with the National Planning Standards.

Table 2 NPS Chapters and relevant file name

PWDP National Planning Standards	File name
PART 1 – INTRODUCTION AND GENERAL PROVISIONS	
INTRODUCTION	1_Part 1 - Introduction and general provisions
Contents [Drafting note: to be prepared once finalised]	
Purpose	
Description of the district	
HOW THE PLAN WORKS	
Statutory context	
General approach	
Cross boundary matters	
Relationships between spatial layers [Drafting note: this chapter will need to be drafted in order to be consistent with the NPS]	
INTERPRETATION	
Definitions [Drafting note: the NPS definitions will need to be incorporated in future, to be consistent with the NPS]	
Abbreviations [Drafting note: this chapter will need to be updated in future, to be consistent with the NPS]	
Glossary [Drafting note: this chapter will need to be updated in future, to be consistent with the NPS]	
NATIONAL DIRECTION INSTRUMENTS	
National policy statements and New Zealand Coastal Policy Statement [Drafting note: this chapter will need to be updated in future, to be consistent with the NPS]	
National environmental standards [Drafting note: this chapter will need to be updated in future, to be consistent with the NPS]	
Regulations [Drafting note: this chapter will need to be updated in future, to be consistent with the NPS]	

PWDP National Planning Standards	File name
TANGATA WHENUA/MANA WHENUA	
Tangata whenua/mana whenua	
PART 2 – DISTRICT-WIDE MATTERS	
STRATEGIC DIRECTION	2A_Part 2 District-wide matters - Strategic direction
SD – Strategic direction	
UFD - Urban form and development	
ENERGY, INFRASTRUCTURE, AND TRANSPORT	2B_Part 2 District-wide matters - Infrastructure, energy and transport
GENI - General infrastructure	
NATG - National Grid	
ELDIS - Electrical distribution	
ELGEN - Electricity generation	
LFG - Liquid fuels and gas	
MET - Meteorological	
AMAR - Amateur radio	
TERA - Telecommunications and radiocommunications	
WWS - Water, wastewater and stormwater	
TRAN – Transportation	
HAZARDS AND RISKS	2C_Part 2 District-wide matters - Hazards and risks
CL - Contaminated land	
HAZS – Hazardous substances	
NH - Natural hazards [Drafting note: PWDP Stage 2 to be added here]	
HISTORICAL AND CULTURAL VALUES	2D_Part 2 District-wide matters - Historical and cultural values
HH - Historical heritage	
TREE - Notable trees	
SASM - Sites and areas of significance to Māori	
DWTW – District-wide Tangata whenua and mana whenua	
NATURAL ENVIRONMENT VALUES	2E_Part 2 District-wide matters - Natural environment values
ECO - Ecosystems and indigenous biodiversity	
NATC - Natural character	
NFL - Natural features and landscapes	
PA - Public access	
SUBDIVISION	2F_Part 2 District-wide matters - Subdivision - SUB – Subdivision
SUB – Subdivision	
GENERAL DISTRICT-WIDE MATTERS	2G_Part 2 District-wide matters - General district-wide matters
ASW - Activities on the surface of water	
CE - Coastal environment	
EW – Earthworks	
LIGHT - Light	

PWDP National Planning Standards	File name
NOISE – Noise	
SIGN - Signs	
TEMP - Temporary activities	
PART 3 – AREA-SPECIFIC MATTERS	
RESZ - Residential zone	
LLRZ - Large lot residential zone	3B Part 3 Area-specific matters - zones - LLRZ – Large lot residential zone
GRZ - General residential zone	3A Part 3 Area-specific matters - zones - GRZ – General residential zone
RURZ - Rural zones	
GRUZ - General rural zone	3C Part 3 Area-specific matters - zones - GRUZ – General rural zone
RLZ - Rural lifestyle zone	3D Part 3 Area-specific matters - zones - RLZ – Rural lifestyle zone
PREC1 – Agriculture research centres	3E Part 3 Area-specific matters - zones - PREC1 – Agriculture research centres
PREC2 – Huntly power station coal and ash water	3F Part 3 Area-specific matters - zones - PREC2 – Huntly power station
PREC3 – Whaanga Coast development precinct	3G Part 3 Area-specific matters - zones - PREC3 – Whaanga Coast development
CMUZ - Commercial and mixed use zones	
COMZ - Commercial zone	3H Part 3 Area-specific matters - zones - COMZ – Commercial zone
TCZ - Town centre zone	3I Part 3 Area-specific matters - zones - TCZ – Town centre zone
INZ - Industrial zones	
GIZ - General industrial zone	3J Part 3 Area-specific matters - zones - GIZ – General industrial zone
HIZ - Heavy industrial zone	3K Part 3 Area-specific matters - zones - HIZ – Heavy industrial zone
PREC4 – Nau Mai Business Park precinct	3L Part 3 Area-specific matters - zones - PREC4 – Nau Mai Business Park precinct
OSRZ - Open space and recreation zones	
OSZ – Open space zone	3M Part 3 Area-specific matters - zones - OSZ – Open space zone
PREC5 – Tamahere Park and Tamahere Village Green precinct	3N Part 3 Area-specific matters - zones - PREC5 – Tamahere Park and Tamahere
SPZ - Special purpose zones	
BTZ - Business Tamahere zone	3O Part 3 Area-specific matters - zones - BTZ Business Tamahere zone
MSRZ - Motor sport and recreation zone	3P Part 3 Area-specific matters - zones - MSRZ – Motorsport and recreation zone
RPZ - Rangitahi Peninsula zone	3Q Part 3 Area-specific matters - zones - RPZ – Rangitahi Peninsula zone

PWDP National Planning Standards	File name
TKAZ - Te Kowhai Airpark zone	3R Part 3 Area-specific matters - zones - TKAZ – Te Kowhai airpark zone
PRECINCTS (MULTI-ZONE)	3S Part 3 Area-specific matters - precincts
PREC6 Lake Te Kauwhata Precinct	(multi) - PREC6 – Lakeside Te Kauwhata
DESIGNATIONS	
Airways Corporation of New Zealand Ltd	3T Part 3 Area-specific matters - designations - all designations
Auckland Council	
Chorus NZ Ltd	
Counties Power	
Hamilton City Council	
Hauraki District Council	
KiwiRail Holdings Ltd	
Minister of Conservation	
Minister of Corrections	
Minister of Education	
Minister of Justice	
Minister of Police	
New Zealand Transport Agency	
Radio New Zealand Ltd	
Transpower New Zealand Ltd	
Vector Gas Ltd	
Waikato District Council	
WEL Networks Ltd	
Waikato Regional Airport Ltd	
Waikato Regional Council	
Watercare Services Ltd	

Table 3 Renamed Appendices (refer: 4 Part 4 Appendices and Maps - List of appendices and schedules.PDF)

PWDP	NPS Format
Appendix 1.1	APP1 – Acoustic Insulation: Application
Appendix 1.2	APP2 – Acoustic Insulation: Waikato Regional Airport
Appendix 1.3	APP3 – Acoustic Insulation: Te Kowhai Airport
Appendix 1.4	APP4 – Acoustic Insulation: Horotiu Acoustic Area
Appendix 1.5	APP5 – Acoustic Insulation: Waikato Gun Club - Noise Control Boundary
Appendix 1.6	APP6 – Acoustic insulation for other areas
Appendix 2	APP7 – Criteria for Determining Significance of Indigenous Biodiversity
Appendix 3.1	APP8 – Design Guidelines: Residential Subdivision Guidelines
Appendix 3.2.1	APP9 – Tamahere Design Guidelines
Appendix 3.2.2	APP10 – Design Guidelines: Tamahere Business Zone Communal Management Structure
Appendix 3.2.3	APP11 – Design Guidelines: Tamahere Business Development Plan Guideline
Appendix 3.3	APP12 – Design Guidelines: Town Centre Guidelines
Appendix 3.4	APP13 – Design Guidelines: Multi-Unit Development
Appendix 3.5	APP14 – Design Guidelines: Huntly Heritage Precinct Design Guide
Appendix 3.6	APP15 – Design Guidelines: Matangi Heritage Precinct Design Guide
Appendix 4	APP16 – Esplanade Priority Areas
Appendix 5	APP17 – Hazardous Substances
Appendix 6	APP18 – Biodiversity Offsetting
Appendix 7	APP19 – Raglan Navigation Beacon
Appendix 8	APP20 – Rangitahi Structure Plan
Appendix 9	APP21 – Te Kowhai Airfield Precincts Zoning - Variation 1
Appendix 10.1	APP22 – Raglan Town Centre Character Statement
Appendix 10.2	APP23 – Ngauwahia Town Centre Character Statement
Appendix 10.3	APP24 – Huntly Town Centre Character Statement
Appendix 10.4	APP25 – Pokeno Town Centre Character Statement
Appendix 10.5	APP26 – Te Kauwhata Town Centre Character Statement
Appendix 10.6	APP27 – Tuakau Town Centre Character Statement
Appendix 11	APP28 – Tree removal certificate
Appendix 12	APP29 – Motor Sport and Recreation

Table 4: Renamed Schedules

PWDP	NPS Format
Schedule 30.1	SCHED1 – Historic Heritage Items
Schedule 30.2	SCHED2 – Notable Trees
Schedule 30.3	SCHED3 – Maaori Sites of Significance
Schedule 30.4	SCHED4 – Maaori Areas of Significance
Schedule 30.5	SCHED5 – Urban Allotment

6 Next Steps

Following receipt of feedback from submitters, final changes will be made based on the comments. An updated version of this document and the provisions will then be provided to the Hearing Panel for their consideration.

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Appendix A – Panel Direction

B

Appendix B – Decisions Register

Summary of NPS Implementation Issues

Prior to the identification and discussion of issues, the NPS and Ministry for the Environment (MfE) guidance documents were reviewed. A summary of mandatory and discretionary directives from the NPS are set out in Appendix C.

A workshop with WDC staff was held on 11 May 2020 to discuss some key issues with the implementation of NPS through the current PWDP process.

Key issues include the following:

Issue	Comment
<p>Strategic Direction</p> <p>The PWDP includes various high-level provisions. These are currently split across the following sections:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • ‘Issues’ at section 1.4 of the PWDP • ‘Strategic Directions’ at section 1.12 of the PWDP; and • ‘Strategic Objectives’ being Objective 4.1.1 of the PWDP. <p>As the purpose of this exercise is to rehouse provisions, an appropriate location needs to be found for these provisions.</p> <p>Amendment and/or deletion of provisions is outside the scope of this exercise</p>	<p>It was agreed with WDC that the following PWDP sections will be relocated to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Issues at section 1.4 of the PWDP to be rehoused within the [<i>Description of the district</i>] chapter of the NPS District Plan Structure; • Strategic Directions section at 1.12 of the PWDP to be rehoused within the [<i>Strategic Direction</i>] section of the NPS District Plan Structure and will be referred to as “Strategic Matters” in accordance with the NPS; • Objective 4.1.1 is the Strategic Objective for the [<i>Urban Form and Development</i>] chapter of the re-housed plan; • Sub-headings are to be used with new chapters of the [<i>Strategic Direction</i>] section, to group the issues, strategic directions/matters and objectives. <p>In discussions with WDC, it was agreed that ‘duplication’ will be avoided when rehousing PWDP provisions.</p> <p>Therefore, objectives and policies which apply across zones, or overlays will be rehoused within Part 2 – District Wide Matters of the NPS District Plan Structure as demonstrated in the above decisions.</p> <p>This now forms a principle set out in Section 3.</p>
<p>Tangata Whenua</p> <p>The NPS requires that tangata whenua provisions to be integrated through the plan where Council determines appropriate.</p> <p>Specifically, the NPS requires the following to be included:</p> <p>Statutory Context</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If addressed, a list of all RMA planning documents relevant to the district, and how they relate to each other and to the plan; 	<p>In discussions with the WDC, the difficulty of rehoming these provisions was identified.</p> <p>It is noted that further work is underway to integrate provisions across the PWDP, and this will be provided to the Panel.</p> <p>Based on the notified version of the PWDP, tangata whenua provisions will be split between Part 1 and Part 2 of the NPS District Plan Structure</p>

Issue	Comment
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If addressed, how matters relating to Maaori and the Treaty of Waitangi in Part 2 of the RMA are addressed; • If addressed, information relating to Treaty of Waitangi settlement legislation and related statutory documents • other legislation that directs changes to an RMA policy statement or plan. <p>“General approach”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • If addressed, approach to integrated management including hapū or iwi management values or practices <p>“Tangata Whenua”</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This section must only include context and process related provisions. Other provisions to be integrated throughout the plan where appropriate. • The content may have cross overs regarding settlement information, legislation and values from above. 	
<p>District-wide provisions</p> <p>The NPS provides various spatial mapping tools to geographically identify provisions. MfE guidance signals a preference for the use of overlays where distinctive values, risks or other factors which require management in a different manner from underlying zone provisions.</p> <p>The PWDP includes by way of example Significant Natural Areas (SNA) and Outstanding Natural Features/Landscapes (ONF/L), which are mapped in the GIS viewer. These provisions span across geographic zone boundaries. The relevant provisions of the SNA or ONF/L are currently located in different parts of the PWDP e.g. objectives and policies are separated from the rules which are typically located within the zone provisions.</p>	<p>It was agreed with WDC, that an overlay approach would be used for these provisions that manage section 6 and 7 matters of the RMA. This approach aligns with the definitions of overlays in the NPS.</p> <p>For example, all provisions for an SNA would be grouped in the same section located in [<i>District Wide Matters</i>] of the NPS District Plan Structure.</p> <p>This would include for example earthworks provisions, and a cross reference will be included in the District-wide earthworks section to the SNA section.</p> <p>Other district-wide matters, that do not manage section 6 and 7 matters of the RMA, e.g. noise will be rehomed in the [<i>General District-wide Matters</i>] section as directed by the standards. This now forms a principle set out in Section 3.</p>
<p>Cross referencing</p> <p>The NPS includes a mandatory direction stating that cross references are required. Examples of where cross referencing is to be provided include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Energy, infrastructure and transport</i> must cross reference to related provisions in a special purpose zone; • Zone chapters must cross reference to relevant provisions under <i>Energy, infrastructure and transport</i>; • <i>Earthworks</i> chapter must include cross-references to any provisions for mining, quarries and or gravel 	<p>Based on this guidance from the NPS, and discussed with WDC, it was agreed that cross referencing would only be used where directed and/or necessary.</p> <p>We intend to reduce the amount of cross referencing used. Whilst useful to the plan user, we would like to avoid having to “click” through various sections of the plan to find relevant provisions.</p> <p>Therefore, recommendations will be made on the most appropriate location for the</p>

Issue	Comment
<p>extraction in a Special purpose zone or zone chapter or section. Note if provisions for managing earthworks are addressed, they must be located in the Earthworks chapter. This chapter may also include provisions for quarries, gravel extraction and mining where managed on a district-wide basis.</p>	<p>provisions, guided by Principle 3. This now forms a principle set out in Section 3.</p>
<p>Infrastructure</p> <p>As directed by the NPS, an energy, infrastructure and transport section must be included in the [<i>District-wide Matters</i>] section.</p>	<p>In discussions with WDC it is proposed to keep the same approach used in the PWDP to group all relevant provisions within these chapters. The only changes from the PWDP, will be that the objectives and policies will be re-housed in the same chapter, and these chapters will be split by energy, infrastructure and transport.</p> <p>The National Grid provisions will be located in this section as notified.</p>
<p>Consequential amendments</p> <p>It is important to note that in the course of this re-housing, no new or amended provisions will be developed. Any amendment, deletion or introduction of provisions will be as a result of decisions from the Panel (post hearing) once the re-housing is complete. As part of this process consequential amendments may be made to correct formatting, delete exact repetition or rename headings for clarity.</p>	<p>Consequential amendments are to be clearly identified (with green highlighting and red track change). This now forms a principle set out in Section 3.</p>
<p>Gaps</p> <p>As noted in the 20 February 2020 document, there may be instances where a new chapter is introduced by the NPS that does not have a related provision in the PWDP (e.g. there is a Subdivision Chapter in the NPS).</p> <p>The PWDP does not have separate objectives and policies relating to subdivision apart from Urban Subdivision).</p> <p>At the appropriate stage in the methodology such gap(s) will be identified and provided to the Panel for consideration in their deliberations. These may be addressed in their decision's version of the PWDP.</p>	<p>Gaps are to be clearly identified with purple highlighting and drafting notes.</p>
<p>Formatting</p> <p>As required by the NPS, the PWDP will be renumbered. This may confuse some submitters to the PWDP, in terms of locating relevant provisions and identifying their relief sought.</p>	<p>A roadmap and working tables will be prepared to clearly show how the PWDP has been restructured.</p> <p>Working tables will show the detail in terms of where each provision has been relocated to.</p>

C

Appendix C – Relevant District Plan Structure Standards from the NPS

The following table summarises the relevant sections within the NPS which will apply to the rehousing of the PWDP. This summary column sets out any “mandatory” or “discretionary” directives from the NPS.

Standard	Summary
4 – District Plan Structure	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Structure of the District Plan including 4 ‘parts’ which must be included in the order shown. No new parts. • Within each part there are mandatory chapters and sections and others which are to be included if relevant. • Additional sections (where provided for) are to be located in the most appropriate and relevant location based on the discretion of the local authority.
6 – Introduction and General Provisions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This standard sets out where content must be included if addressed in the plan (some of the content is not mandatory but its location in the plan is). • Definitions, abbreviations, and glossary must be included in their subsequent chapters. • Tables must be provided with information on national policy statements, NZ Coastal Policy Statement and national environmental standards. • Provisions of relevance to tangata whenua must be integrated throughout the plan where deemed appropriate. Inclusion of provisions that fall under the “Tangata Whenua/Mana Whenua” heading must be done after engaging with tangata whenua.
7 – District Wide Matters	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This Standard sets out the contents of Part 2: District Wide Matters. • An “Urban Form and Development” chapter is mandatory under the Strategic Direction heading. Additional key matters, their issues and any objectives or policies can be included here. Rules are not included here. • Energy, infrastructure, and transport provisions are to be included in Part 2 except where these are specific to a special purpose zone. • A Coastal Environment chapter must be included if the District has a coastline. • District wide matters such as earthworks, light, signs, temporary activities, noise and vibration to be included as Chapters in Part 2.
8 – Zone Framework	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Precincts to be included with the relevant zone or in a ‘multi zone’ section if precincts are relevant to more than one zone • Sets out the zones that must be used and circumstances where a ‘new’ Special Purpose zone can be applied, being when the proposed land use activities or anticipated outcomes of the additional zone meet all of the following criteria: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. are significant to the district, region or country b. are impractical to be managed through another zone c. are impractical to be managed through a combination of spatial layers.
10 - Format	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • This Standard sets out the cascading order for provisions. • Regarding rules, the activity status must be located with the rule it applies to and standard abbreviations to be used for the status. • Matters of control or discretion can be located with the rule or cross referenced. • Provisions subject to change, variation, appeal or immediate legal effect need to be identified. • Definitions need to be highlighted, italicised or similar. • Naming and numbering system to be used general applies an unique identifier (in letters) following by provision type then number (e.g. RLZ – R1 means the first rule in the Rural Lifestyle zone chapter).

