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## Of National Environmental Standards - Assessing and Managing Contaminant in Soil to Protect Human Health

The National Environmental Standard for Assessing and Managing Contaminants in Soil to Protect Human Health came into force on 1 January 2012 under the Resource Management (National Environmental Standard (NES) for Assessing and Managing Contaminants in Soil to Protect Human Health) Regulations 2011. This NES was created pursuant to sections 43 and 44 of the Resource Management Act 1991.

The NES provides a nationally consistent set of planning controls and soil contaminant values and ensures that land affected or potentially affected by contaminants in soil is appropriately identified and assessed before soil disturbance and/or land developments take place and, if necessary that the land is remediated or the contaminants contained to make the land safe for human use.

The NES requires all territorial authorities to give effect to and enforce the requirements of the NES. The NES does not affect existing land uses.

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