

Waimakariri District Council
215 High Street
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Dear Hearing Commissioner

Fire and Emergency New Zealand – Letter to be tabled for Proposed Waimakariri District Plan – Ngā mahi taupua – Temporary Activities

Fire and Emergency New Zealand (Fire and Emergency) made a submission on the Proposed Waimakariri District Plan: Ngā mahi taupua – Temporary Activities. Fire and Emergency have opted not to attend the hearing scheduled to commence from the 15 April 2024 and request that, in lieu of attendance, this letter be tabled for the Hearing Commissioners' consideration.

Fire and Emergency's Submission

Fire and Emergency sought a number of changes to the Proposed Waimakariri District Plan. The s42A report for the Ngā mahi taupua – Temporary Activities has been reviewed. The relief sought by Fire and Emergency and the officer's recommendations are outlined in Table 1 below.

Table 1. FENZ Submissions and officer's recommendation

Provision	Decision Requested	Officer Recommendation
Temporary Activity	Seeks the definition of temporary activity excludes Emergency Service Training Activities.	Rejected – the reporting officer considers that the proposed exclusion may create confusion. Further detail is provided in the reporting officer section below.
New Definition	Seeks a new definition and rule be included in the Proposed Plan to provide for Emergency Service Training Activities	Accepted in Part – wording amended to activity rather than activities to align with other definitions in the Temporary Activities chapter.

As indicated in Table 1, Fire and Emergency sought a new definition for an Emergency Service Training Activities and the exclusion of Emergency Service Training Activities from the definition of Temporary Activity.

Reporting Officer Response

The reporting officer has rejected the exclusion sought by Fire and Emergency as it may create confusion.

The reporting officer agrees that emergency service training activity is of a different nature, character and effects from those captured in the definition of temporary activity, but the activity would be of a temporary nature.

TEMP-R9 will not apply to emergency service training activity if the recommendation for a new definition and a new rule (TEMP-R5) with respect to emergency service training activity is adopted as proposed by the reporting officer.

The reporting officer has recommended that the following amendment (as shown by underline) to TEMP- R5 to provide for emergency service training activity.

TEMP- R5 – Temporary Military Training Activity (including ancillary buildings and structures and emergency service training activity)

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Where:

1. The maximum duration of the activity is 31 consecutive days at any one site, excluding the set-up and pack-down of the activity to up to one week prior to the commencement and up to one week following the completion; and
2. The site is restored to the same condition as prior to the temporary activity within seven days of that activity ceasing.

Fire and Emergency Response

Fire and Emergency consider the clarity sought in the submission has been provided for with the inclusion of a definition for an Emergency Service Training Activity and a specific rule provision (TEMP-R5) that relates to Emergency Service Training Activity.

Yours sincerely



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