

Variation 3 – Proposed Canterbury Land & Water Regional Plan

Information Sheet

April 2015

What is Proposed Variation 3?

Proposed Variation 3 is the third proposed change to the proposed Canterbury Land & Water Regional Plan (pLWRP) related to a specific area - the South Coastal Canterbury Area. It seeks to put in place policies and rules to help achieve the community goals for freshwater management in the South Coastal Canterbury Area that have been developed under the collaborative Canterbury Water Management Strategy.

How will Proposed Variation 3 change the pLWRP?

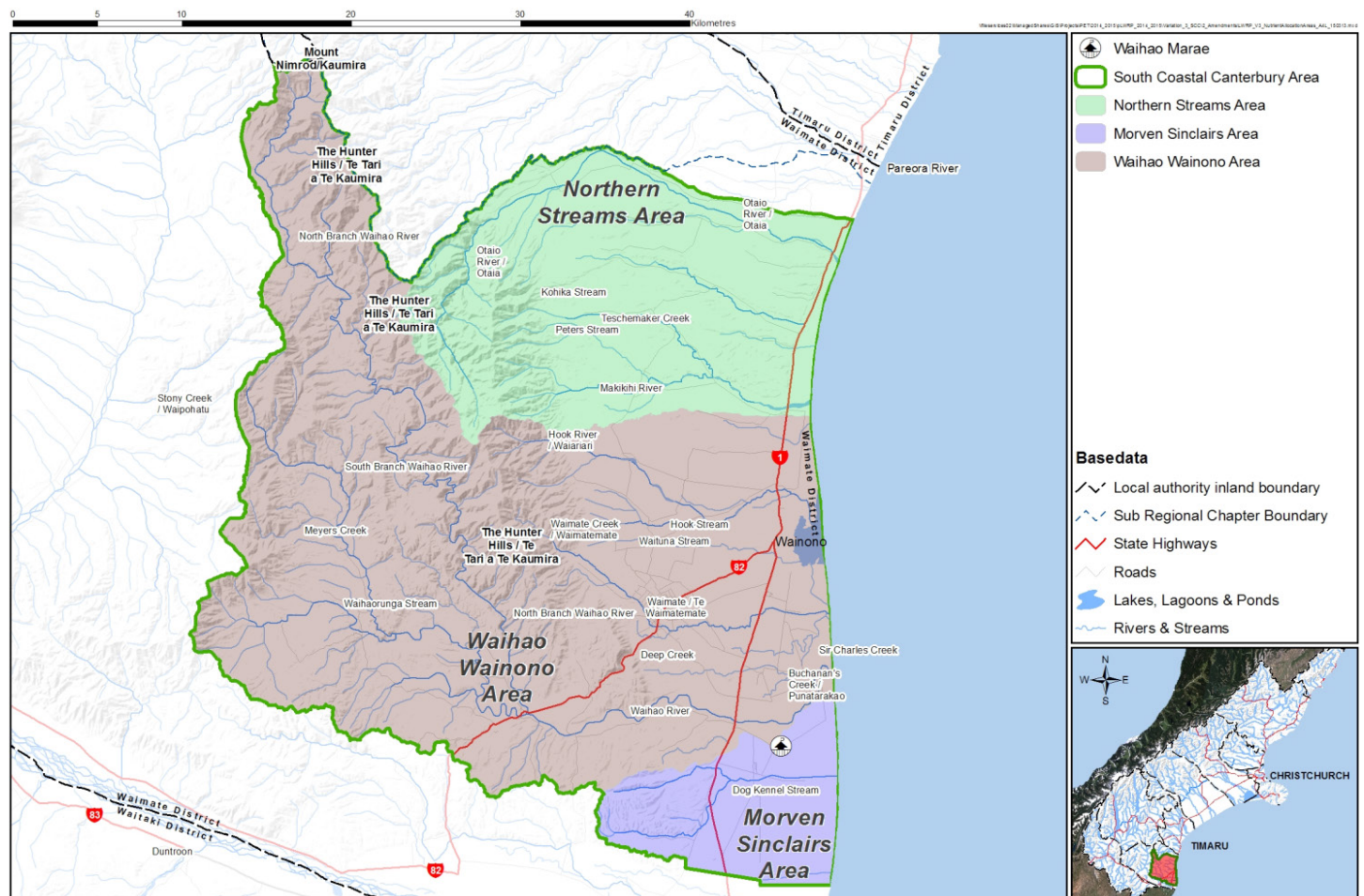
Proposed Variation 3 seeks to replace most of the policies and rules for the South Coastal Canterbury Area in Section 15 – the Waitaki and South Coastal Canterbury sub-regional section of the pLWRP. Proposed Variation 3 also seeks to amend the Canterbury Map Series in the pLWRP Planning Maps as they apply to the South Coastal Canterbury Area.

Proposed Variation 3 describes the limits, targets, timeframes and additional policies and rules to address over-allocation of

water quantity and water quality in the South Coastal Canterbury Area. This means that activities occurring in the South Coastal Canterbury Area will have to comply with the region-wide rules in Section 5, along with the specific sub-regional rules that apply in the South Coastal Canterbury Area as a result of Variation 3. All the rules in Proposed Variation 3 have immediate legal effect under section 86B of the Resource Management Act 1991 from the date of notification of Proposed Variation 3.

South Coastal Canterbury area

The South Coastal Canterbury Area is situated in the Waimate District in South Canterbury, and spans from the Otaio catchment in the north to the Morven catchment in the south and to the Hunters Hills in the west. The South Coastal Canterbury Area is made up of hill-fed intermittent flowing rivers and lowland streams with the major feature of the area being Wainono Lagoon. The South Coastal Canterbury Area is split into three sub-areas (Northern Streams, Waihao-Wainono and Morven-Sinclairs) to manage water quality. The South Coastal Canterbury Area is shown on the map below.



Proposed Variation 3 planning boundary, South Coastal Canterbury Area

Submission information

Any person may make a written or electronic submission on Proposed Variation 3. Environment Canterbury is using an online submission system in addition to printed submission forms.

Submissions must be lodged by 5pm, Monday 25 May 2015

How to make a submission using the online system

Visit the online portal at: <http://consult-ecan.objective.com>

You will need to register as a user with an email address and create a password. Once logged in, follow the instructions.

The benefits of lodging an online submission

- Submissions can be completed online without printing any documents.
- Submissions can be drafted and checked online before being formally submitted.
- Where an organisation or group is making a submission, the online system makes it easier for different people in the organisation or group to draft, check and refine submissions.
- Submissions are linked directly to the relevant section of Proposed Variation 3 being submitted on.
- Once formally received, submitters receive an email to confirm their submission has been received.

How to make a submission using a printed form

Submission forms are available from Environment Canterbury (office locations below), or can be downloaded from www.ecan.govt.nz/lwrp-v3.

Return completed submission forms to:

Email: mailroom@ecan.govt.nz

Post: Environment Canterbury
Freepost 1201
Variation 1 to the proposed Canterbury
Land and Water Regional Plan
Or
Environment Canterbury
PO Box 345
Christchurch 8140

Notification of Proposed Variation 3

Environment Canterbury is required to provide every person it considers directly affected by Proposed Variation 3 with a copy of the Public Notice and any other information to help them understand how Proposed Variation 3 may affect them.

Relevant documents:

- Variation 3 – this includes the proposed new provisions and maps in relation to the South Coastal Canterbury Area in the Waitaki and South Coastal Canterbury sub-region in the proposed Canterbury Land & Water Regional Plan.
- The South Coastal Canterbury Zone Implementation Programme Addendum (September 2014) – this covers the issues in the catchment and actions required to achieve the outcomes sought for the catchment.
- Section 32 Evaluation Summary Report for Variation 3 – this summarises the evaluation undertaken in developing Variation 3 as required by section 32 of the Resource

Management Act 1991.

- Additional technical reports are listed in the Section 32 report.

All documents (including the technical reports) can be downloaded free of charge at www.ecan.govt.nz/lwrp-v3. For a free CD of Proposed Variation 3, please contact Customer Services on 0800 324 636. Hard copies are also available for a charge through Customer Services.

Locations to view documents

Copies of Proposed Variation 3, the Section 32 Evaluation Report and the South Coastal Canterbury Zone Implementation Programme Addendum can be viewed at any open public library in Canterbury and at the Environment Canterbury offices:

- 17 Sir Gil Simpson Drive, Christchurch
- 75 Church Street, Timaru
- 73 Beach Road, Kaikoura.

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