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Kia ora,

Please find attached a submission on behalf of Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency on the proposed changes to Chapter 6 of the Canterbury Regional Policy Statement.

If you have any questions please do not hesitate to contact me.

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RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991

Submission on Proposed Change 1 to Chapter 6 of the Canterbury Regional Policy Statement

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Pursuant to Clause 6, Schedule 1 of the Resource Management Act 1991, **Waka Kotahi NZ Transport Agency** (Waka Kotahi) hereby makes this submission in **support** of the Proposed Change to Chapter 6 of the Canterbury Regional Policy Statement (CRPS) – Recovery and Rebuilding of Greater Christchurch. The proposed changes are subject to the streamlined planning approach as per Clauses 78 and 79(2) of Schedule 1 of the RMA and under the direction of the Minister for the Environment.

WAKA KOTAHI NZ TRANSPORT AGENCY'S SUBMISSION

Proposed Change 1 to Chapter 6 of the Canterbury Regional Policy Statement (CRPS) proposes to identify new urban housing development areas (Future Development Areas (FDAs)) in Rolleston, Rangiora and Kaiapoi. The proposed changes will add policy provisions to enable both Selwyn and Waimakariri District Councils to rezone land within the FDAs through their district planning processes, if this is necessary to alleviate shortfalls in housing capacity. The proposed changes are required to give effect to the National Policy Statement on Urban Development 2020 (NPS-UD) and implements the settlement pattern in *Our Space 2018-2048: Greater Christchurch Settlement Pattern Update* Whakakāngai O Te Hōrapa Nohoanga.

National Policy Statement on Urban Development 2020

The NPS-UD recognises the importance of businesses and community services located in urban environments that are well serviced by existing or planned public transport (Objective 3) and active transport options (Policy 1). The three identified locations for future urban growth are located adjacent to existing urban areas that are serviced by public transport (bus services), thus reducing the need for longer trips. There are also better multi-modal transport options now, than were available when modelling was previously undertaken to identify greenfield priority areas which will help support Objective 8 of the NPS-UD.

The proposed changes will not restrict the ability for Waimakariri and Selwyn District Council's to engage with Waka Kotahi to achieve integrated land use and infrastructure planning (Policy 10). Waka Kotahi considers that the proposed areas of further development are 'infrastructure-ready' as the existing transport networks (including public transport, cycle and pedestrian facilities) have adequate capacity to support additional urban growth at these three locations (Clause 3.4.3).

Strategic Infrastructure and Integrated Land Use

The land identified for future urban housing development within the FDAs at Rolleston, Rangiora and Kaiapoi is located within the projected infrastructure boundary. Waka Kotahi is satisfied that there is appropriate policy

provision in place through the proposed amendments to the RPS to ensure that development considers strategic infrastructure, including the state highway network and pedestrian, cycle and public transport infrastructure.

Waka Kotahi considers that Proposed *Policy 6.3.12 – Future Development Areas* will adequately require future urban development to be integrated with the strategic infrastructure (including the state highway network) and require there to be capacity in the network to support future urban development. Proposed Policy 6.3.12 is consistent with *Objective 6.2.4 – Integration of transport infrastructure and land use* of the RPS. As a result of this direction, Selwyn and Waimakariri District Council's will be required to give effect to the RPS and release additional land for future urban development, provided that it is well integrated with strategic infrastructure.

Waka Kotahi is a partner to the Urban Development Strategy (UDS) which aims to manage growth within the Greater Christchurch region in a proactive, integrated and sustainable manner. The UDS has been amended to include the Settlement Pattern Update titled *Our Space*, which includes preferred locations for housing growth and includes development at Kaiapoi, Rangiora and Rolleston. The proposed changes to the RPS seek to provide for additional development at these locations to meet demand. *Our Space* considers the likely availability of appropriate infrastructure provision, and Waka Kotahi is satisfied that the proposed changes will not alter the availability of suitable infrastructure provision (in terms of the state highway network), and that the only amendment is to the timeframes in which there is expected to be network capacity. *Our Space* also considers the likely availability of appropriate infrastructure to support projected development, integrating land use and transport planning to ensure safe and accessible urban areas. Waka Kotahi does not consider that the proposed changes will affect these outcomes.

Transport Effects

Given that the areas identified for future urban development are located within the projected infrastructure boundary, the transport effects are similar to those that have been previously modelled by Waka Kotahi. There is adequate capacity available on the transport network, including the state highway, pedestrian, cycle and public transport networks, such that they will provide for additional development at the proposed locations. Overall, the effects on the transport network are similar to those anticipated by Waka Kotahi, albeit at a faster rate of growth and Waka Kotahi is assured that the strong policy recognition of strategic infrastructure will suitably manage future urban development so that land use and transport infrastructure are successfully integrated and the potential transport effects appropriately considered.

Overall, Waka Kotahi supports the proposed amendments to the Canterbury Regional Policy Statement to provide Future Development Areas at Rolleston, Kaiapoi and Rangiora to fulfil the National Policy Statement on Urban Development 2020.

Dated at Christchurch this 15th day of February 2020



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