

Amendments to the Regional Plan: Water for Otago

The Otago Regional Council (ORC) has amended, under Sections 55 and 44A of the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA), the Regional Plan: Water for Otago (Water Plan) from **24 September 2026**.

The s55 amendments give effect to the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management 2020 by amending Policy 10.4.8 of the Water Plan to reflect the current wording of clause 3.22(1) on natural inland wetlands.

The s44A amendments remove inconsistencies with the Resource Management (National Environmental Standards for Commercial Forestry) Regulations 2017 by deleting Schedule 17 from the Water Plan and making consequential changes, including deleting associated advice notes and amending Table 11.2.

The Water Plan is available on ORC's website **www.orc.govt.nz** and can also be accessed at public libraries throughout Otago.

Notified in accordance with Clause 20(2) of Schedule 1 of the RMA.

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