

### **E19.1. Background**

These objectives and policies give effect to Policy 15(b) of the New Zealand Coastal Policy Statement 2010 and Regional Policy Statement Objectives B4.2.1 and the policies in B4.2.2.

These provisions apply to activities in the coastal environment that are proposed in areas that are not scheduled in the Outstanding Natural Features Overlay or the Outstanding Natural Landscapes Overlay but that require resource consent.

### **E19.2. Objective [rcp/dp]**

- (1) The characteristics and qualities of natural landscapes and natural features which have particular values, provide a sense of place or identity, or have high amenity value, are maintained while providing for subdivision, use and development in the coastal environment.

### **E19.3. Policies [rcp/dp]**

- (1) Manage subdivision, use and development in the coastal environment adjoining scheduled outstanding natural landscapes or outstanding natural features to:
  - (a) protect visual and biophysical linkages between the site and outstanding natural landscapes or outstanding natural features; and
  - (b) avoid adverse cumulative effects on the values of outstanding natural landscapes or outstanding natural features.
- (2) Manage the effects of subdivision, use and development in the coastal environment to avoid significant adverse effects, and avoid, remedy or mitigate other adverse effects on the characteristics and qualities of natural landscapes and natural features which have particular values, provide a sense of place or identity, or have high amenity values, taking into account:
  - (a) the location, scale and design of the proposed subdivision, use or development;
  - (b) the extent of anthropogenic changes to the natural characteristics and qualities;
  - (c) the presence or absence of structures, buildings or infrastructure;
  - (d) the temporary or permanent nature of any adverse effects;
  - (e) the physical and visual integrity and the natural processes of the location;
  - (f) the intactness of any areas of significant vegetation, and vegetative patterns;
  - (g) the physical, visual and aesthetic values that contribute significantly to the natural landscape's values;

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- (h) the integrity of landforms, geological features and associated natural processes, including sensitive landforms such as ridgelines, headlands, peninsulas, cliffs, dunes, wetlands, reefs, freshwater springs, streams, rivers and surf breaks; and
  - (i) the functional or operational need for infrastructure to be located in a particular area.
- (3) Ensure appropriate processes are followed with accidentally discovered natural features of potential significance when trenching or excavating in:
- (a) basalt lava in the Auckland volcanic field;
  - (b) organic deposits of pre-European age; or
  - (c) greater rock strata known to contain fossils.

### **E19.4. Activity table**

There is no activity table for this section.

### **E19.5. Notification**

There are no notification provisions for this section.

### **E19.6. Standards**

There are no standards for this section.

### **E19.7. Assessment – controlled activities**

There are no controlled activities in this section.

### **E19.8. Assessment – restricted discretionary activities**

There are no restricted discretionary activities in this section.

### **E19.9. Special information requirements**

There are no special information requirements for this section.