

## 10. CROSS BOUNDARY ISSUES

### 10.1 Introduction

In accordance with Section 75 of the RMA, the District Plan must contain the processes to be used to deal with issues that cross territorial boundaries. This section of the District Plan sets out the concerns that have the potential to be cross boundary issues and indicates the processes that the Council will use to manage these.

In addition, there are some activities, or different parts of the same activity, that are managed by both the Gore District Council and Environment Southland. While the Gore District Council seeks to minimise as far as practical any jurisdictional duplication, that cannot always be achieved. Plan users should therefore also have regard to the provisions of any regional plan in determining whether any resource consent approvals are required under the RMA.

### 10.2 Authorities for cross boundary liaison

Authorities that the Council will have regard to when examining cross boundary issues are:

- (1) The Southland District Council;
- (2) The Clutha District Council;
- (3) Environment Southland;
- (4) The Otago Regional Council.

This list does not imply that all these authorities will be consulted but consultation with each where it is required will be undertaken. Even though Invercargill City Council does not directly abut the District, consultation and liaison over matters of concern will be undertaken with the Invercargill City Council.

### 10.3 Effects that require cross boundary management

#### 10.3.1 Landscape

The siting of structures within the landscape may give rise to adverse effects, both within the District and in adjoining territorial authorities.

#### 10.3.2 Esplanade strips and wetlands

The use of esplanade strips to provide a network of managed land along the margins of water bodies and the management of wetlands requires cross boundary management. Part of the District falls within the jurisdiction of the Otago Fish and Game Council and consultation will be required in addition to consultation with the Southland Fish and Game Council, Environment Southland and the Department of Conservation. Where esplanade strips are in operation along water bodies within the District it may be necessary to extend these into areas of adjoining Districts.

#### 10.3.3 Land transportation

Land transportation routes represent a cross-boundary issue. Where the effects of any land use activity undertaken within the District affects land transportation routes outside of the District then Council will consult with the affected authority. If an application for a resource consent concerning the management of effects on, or generated from, the land transportation routes is notified then the Council will notify the adjoining Council.

#### 10.3.4 Natural hazards

Land use activities within areas subject to natural hazards can cause adverse effects in adjoining districts. Similarly activities on land adjoining areas subject to natural hazards can exacerbate those hazards.

### 10.4 General matters

There may be other resource management issues or effects of land use activities that occur that will require cross boundary management. Monitoring of the effects of land use activities will be a cross boundary issue. It is prudent for the Council to undertake monitoring programmes in conjunction with adjoining territorial authorities and Environment Southland. The Council will not always be the initiator of cross boundary consultation and liaison.

### 10.5 Cross boundary issues and notification of resource consents

Where an application for a land use consent requires notification and where the effects of the land use activity are such that they may adversely affect adjoining territorial authorities then affected resource users, developers or interest groups in the adjoining authority will be notified.

### 10.6 Cross boundary issues and joint hearings

The Council will, where appropriate, participate in joint hearings with other territorial authorities, and the regional councils pursuant to Section 102 of the RMA: Joint hearings by 2 or more consent authorities.

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