

**IN THE MATTER of
the Resource Management Act 1991**

AND

**IN THE MATTER of
Hearing of submissions and further
submissions on the Proposed Te Tai O
Poutini Plan**

**MINUTE 38 – Cumulative Effects of
Wastewater Disposal**

INTRODUCTION

1. During the Rural Hearing, a number of individual rezoning proposals were put before the Hearing Panel for Rural Lifestyle and Settlement zoning, some in close proximity to each other. These proposals involved onsite wastewater disposal at a range of densities but primary at 4,000m² and above.
2. In addition to the above, submitters also sought that the minimum standard for subdivision in the Rural Lifestyle zone be reduced to 4,000m² from one hectare.

INFORMATION SOUGHT

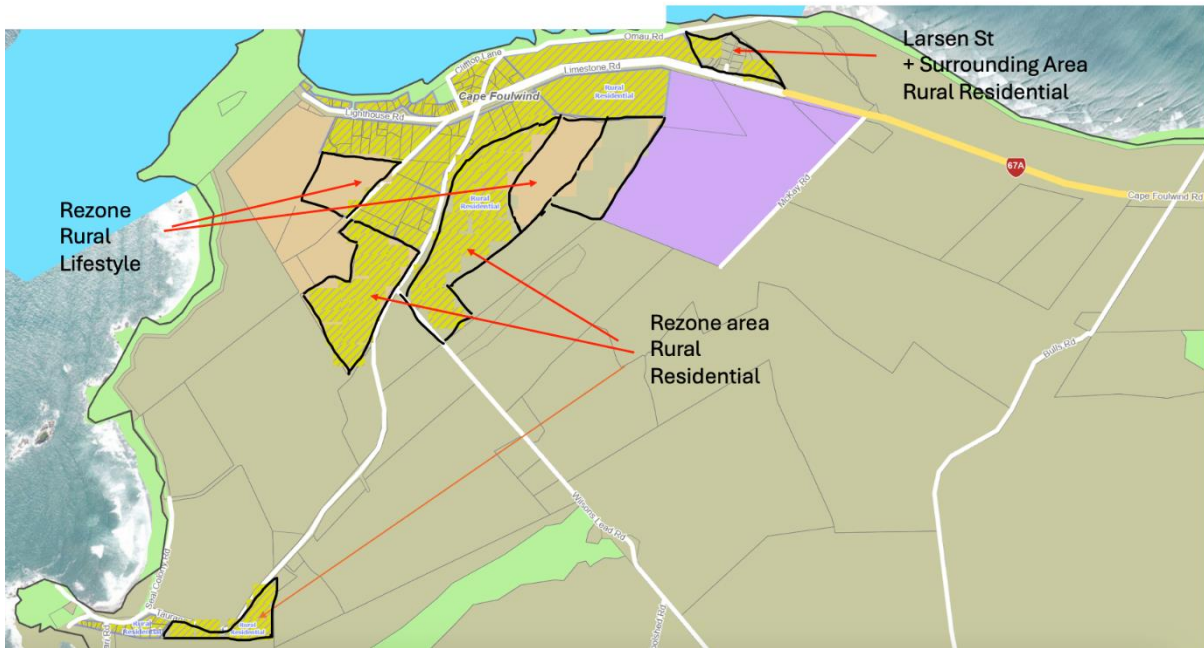
3. While the Hearing Panel received some information on individual wastewater servicing there has been no overarching consideration of the cumulative effects of onsite wastewater disposal. The Hearing Panel is therefore unclear as to whether there is the potential for significant adverse effects to occur on a broader basis because of proposed rezonings in terms of wastewater disposal.
4. The Hearing Panel has identified two locations (Cape Foulwind and Moana) where it considered further information on the cumulative effects of onsite wastewater disposal might better inform its decisions.
5. Pursuant to section 41C(4)(a) the Hearing Panel therefore requests that a report be provided by the West Coast Regional Council on the potential cumulative effects of onsite wastewater disposal in relation rezoning proposals contained in the Reporting Officer for the Rural and Settlement zones section 42A reports, along with the potential reduction of the minimum lot site for the Rural Lifestyle zone to 4000m² in relation to the following two areas:
 - i. The Cape Foulwind area - see paragraphs 414 – 438 of the Section 42A Officer's Report on the Rural Zones and the associated evidence and statements of submitters. See plan below.
 - ii. The Moana area - see paragraphs 494 – 495 of the Section 42A Officer's Report on the Rural Zones and paragraphs 191 – 193 & 195 – 196 of the Section 42A Officer's Report on the Settlement Zones and the associated evidence and statements of submitters. Note that the Russell Robinson submission at Moana proposes connecting to the Moana Wastewater treatment plant. See plan below.
6. The Hearing Panel requests that this report be received by the 27th of September 2024 and notes that further directions for submitters may be forthcoming post the receipt of the report.



Dean Chrystal

Independent Commissioner – Chair - on behalf of the Hearing Panel members

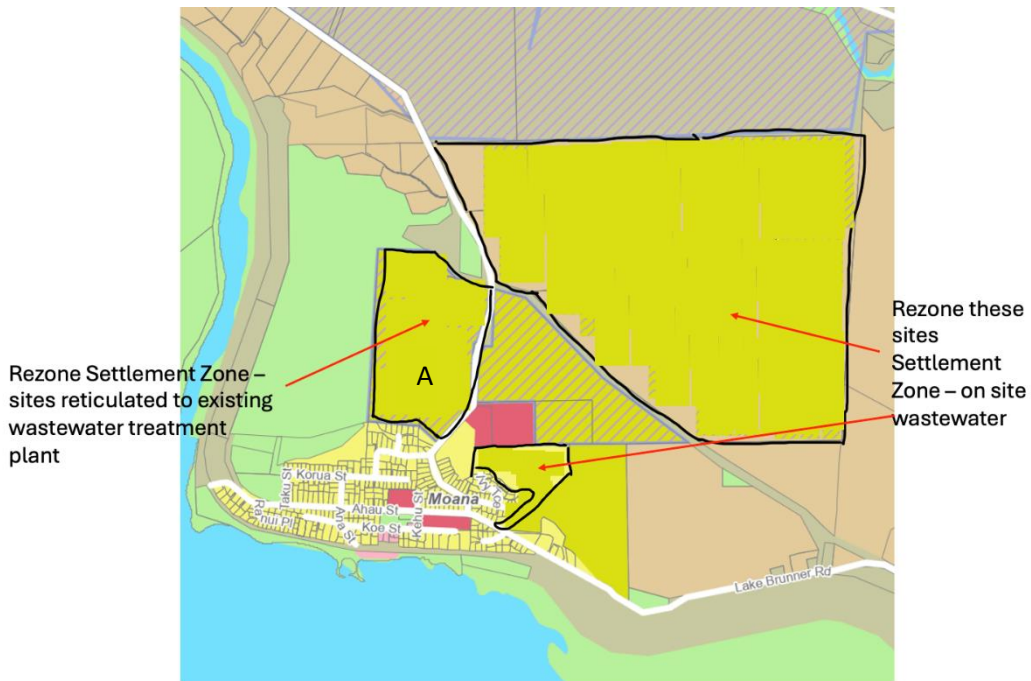
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Cape Foulwind Rezoning Requests

Rural Residential sites have a minimum lot size of 4000m²
 Rural Lifestyle sites have a minimum lot size of 1ha
 All are expected to be serviced with on site wastewater systems

Moana Rezoning Requests



Rural Residential sites have a minimum lot size of 4000m²
 Settlement Zone sites have a minimum lot size of 1000m² except that site A is looking for sites 300-500m².