



SUBMISSION FORM (FORM 5)

**PROPOSED PLAN CHANGE TO THE UPPER HUTT CITY COUNCIL
DISTRICT PLAN: PROPOSED PLAN CHANGE 15 – FLOOD AND EROSION
HAZARD AREAS**

To: Upper Hutt City Council

Submission on Proposed Plan Change No. 15 to the Upper Hutt City Council District Plan

Submissions can be:

File Number: 351/12/015
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The closing date for submissions is Friday 9th November 2012 at 5pm

DETAILS OF SUBMITTER

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I could gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission (Please tick one)	NO	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Only answer this question if you ticked YES: I am / am not (select one) directly affected by an effect of the subject matter of the submission that: (a) adversely affects the environment; and (b) does not relate to trade competition or the effects of trade competition.
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DETAILS OF SUBMISSION

The specific provisions of the proposed Plan Change that my submission relates to are as follows:

New wording in section 16.1

Changes to the activity status in section 33.1

My submission is that:

I am an Environmental Engineer with MWH New Zealand Ltd. Since 2003, we have been engaged by the Hutt City Council to assist with the asset management of the trunk wastewater network that serves both HCC and UHCC. The designated site shown as HCC 2 on the planning maps accommodates a key asset in this network, which was developed in 2005 to provide a wastewater storage facility for the Councils. Future development of this site is likely to be required to meet new environmental standards and future growth. Due to the investment in infrastructure at this location it would not be cost effective or practicable to locate future associated assets at another site. While the existing designation provides for some additional storage other associated structures for related wastewater development at this site may not be sufficiently provided. I oppose the proposed change to Chapter 33 activity status and request an additional activity status to provide for appropriate development.

The existing Discretionary activity status in Chapter 33 for Building and structures in the 1 in 100 year flood extent provides for suitable controls on this land. The flood hazard can be suitably managed by engineering controls such as raising ground levels, providing waterproofed equipment, sealed doors and other mechanical protection as appropriate. I oppose the proposed change and request some additional wording in Chapter 16 to acknowledge that Utility development can be undertaken with appropriate controls.

I have discussed this submission with Bruce Sherlock, the Infrastructure Manager of Hutt City Council, and Lachlan Wallach, the Director of Infrastructure Services at Upper Hutt City Council and they support this submission.

(Please state in summary the nature of your submission. Clearly indicate whether you support or oppose the specific provisions or wish to have amendments made, giving reasons. Please use additional sheets if necessary)

I seek the following decision from the local authority:

Section 16.4.1 – add the following wording:

"Where it is not practicable to locate Utilities outside the Flood Hazard Area, any new Utilities within the Flood Hazard Areas should be designed to withstand the design flood event."

Section 33.1 – add the following activity:

Utilities (including associated buildings and structures) to be erected within the River Corridor, Overflow Path or Erosion Hazard Line as shown in the Hazard Maps in Part 5 of the District Plan **Discretionary activity**

(Please give precise details and use additional sheets if necessary)

Please indicate whether you wish to be heard in support of your submission (Tick appropriate box)	I do wish to be heard in support of my submission	X
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SIGNATURE AND DATE

Signature of person making submission or person authorised to sign on behalf of person making submission

Date 8 November 2012

(Note: A signature is not required if you are making your submission by electronic means)

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