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## PROPOSED PLAN CHANGE TO THE UPPER HUTT CITY COUNCIL DISTRICT PLAN Proposed Plan Change 50 – Rural Review

The closing date for submissions is **Friday, 17 November 2023, at 5pm**

### To Upper Hutt City Council

#### Submission on Proposed Plan Change 50 to the Upper Hutt City Council District Plan

**Deliver to:** Upper Hutt Civic Centre, 838 – 842 Fergusson Drive, Upper Hutt 5019

**Post to:** Planning Policy Team, Upper Hutt City Council, Private Bag 907, Upper Hutt 5140

**Scan and email to:** [planning@uhcc.govt.nz](mailto:planning@uhcc.govt.nz)

### Details of submitter

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I could gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission (please tick one ): **yes**  / **no**

Only answer this question if you ticked 'yes' above:

I am  /  am not (tick 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.

## Details of submission

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

GRUZ-S14 proposes that each residential unit that is not connected to Council's reticulated water supply must have  
(..) b) a domestic fire sprinkler systems in accordance with NZS 4541:2013 that is connected to a firefighting water supply in accordance with the New Zealand Fire Service Firefighting Water Supplies Code of Practice SNZ PAS 4509:2008.

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My submission is that:

- NZS 4541 is more applicable commercial buildings. It might be more appropriate and cost effective to install sprinklers in single family dwellings to NZS 4517:2010 *Fire sprinkler systems for houses*.
- NZS 4541:2013 is superseded, the newest edition (which is also, as of last week, currently cited in the acceptable solutions for fire C/AS2 and C/VM2) is NZS 4541:2020
- Unless the intent is to have a firefighting water supply in addition to a sprinkler system, either sprinkler standard contains requirements for the water supply for that system. The water supply is determined by calculations based on the system's design. Reference to SNZ PAS 4509:2008 may conflict with the results of those calculations and make it difficult to install a sprinkler compliant with the appropriate standard.

Consider also whether other non-residential buildings not connected to the reticulated water supply will also require sprinklers and/or water supply for firefighting which currently do not need these?

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 PAPER IF NECESSARY

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I seek the following decision from the local authority:

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PLEASE GIVE PRECISE DETAILS AND USE ADDITIONAL PAPER IF NECESSARY

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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.

I **do not** wish to be heard in support of my submission.

Please indicate whether you wish to make a joint case at the hearing if others make a similar submission (tick appropriate box 

I **do** wish to make a joint case.

I **do not** wish to make a joint case.

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**Signature and date**

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

SIGNATURE

DATE 9 November 2023

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