

## **Public notice of proposed District Plan**

*Clause 5 of Schedule 1, Resource Management Act 1991*

Rangitikei District Council has prepared the following proposed plan (the proposal):

### Proposed Rangitikei District Plan 2010

The District Plan sets out the Council's objectives and policies for the use of land in the District and contains the rules governing development in the District, and what types of activities may take place in particular areas. The rules in the Plan create restrictions on a number of activities and the effects they generate, for example: noise, signage, and earthworks. Further examples of the Plan rules include limiting the number of houses that can be built on one section, tree planting in rural areas, building heights and setting minimum section sizes.

The proposed Rangitikei District Plan 2010 is a document produced as a result of the review of the existing District Plan. A review is required at least once every 10 years. The main focus areas for the review were identification of outstanding landscapes and natural features within the District; historic heritage; natural hazards; renewable energy; and subdivision and development controls. The Council has also proposed to re-zone certain areas within the District to allow for growth, particularly for residential and industrial activities; remove the mixed commercial and rural settlement zones, and introduce two new zones, the Rural Living Zone to allow for development of lifestyle blocks near the District's main urban centres, and the Education Zone for non-designated schools.

The proposal may be inspected at, or purchased from, any of the Rangitikei District Council's libraries in Marton, Bulls and Taihape, and at the Council's Main Office in Marton. In addition to the above locations the proposal is also available on the Council's website [www.rangitikei.govt.nz](http://www.rangitikei.govt.nz) or you may request a copy be emailed or posted to you by calling 0800 422 522. A posted copy will incur a charge of \$197.

Please contact Rebecca Tayler, Policy Analyst on 06 327 0099 or email [info@rangitikei.govt.nz](mailto:info@rangitikei.govt.nz) if you have any questions about the proposal.

Any person may make a submission on the proposal. You may do so by sending a written submission to:

Rangitikei District Council  
Private Bag 1102  
Marton 4741

with your submission clearly marked "District Plan".

The submission must be in form 5 of the Resource Management (Forms, Fees and Procedure) Regulations 2003, or in a document using the headings in form 5, and must state whether or not you wish to be heard in your submission. Copies of this form are available from the Rangitikei District Council, and will also be published in local newspapers in the District during November 2010.

Submissions close on **28 January 2011**.

The process for public participation in the consideration of the proposal under the Resource Management Act 1991 is as follows:

- after the closing date for submission, Rangitikei District Council must prepare a summary of the submissions and this summary must be publicly notified; and
- there must be an opportunity to make a further submission in support of, or in opposition to, the submissions already made; and
- if a person making a submission asks to be heard in support of his or her submission, a hearing must be held; and
- Rangitikei District Council must give its decision on the proposal (including its reasons for accepting or rejecting submissions); and
- any person who has made a submission has the right to appeal the decision on the proposal to the Environment Court.

Clare Hadley  
Chief Executive  
28 October 2010