

Appendix A

Matters that a territorial authority must consider

RMA Section 168A Notice of requirement by territorial authority includes:

- (3) When considering a requirement and any submissions received, a territorial authority must, subject to [Part 2](#), consider the effects on the environment of allowing the requirement, having particular regard to—*
 - (a) any relevant provisions of—*
 - (i) a national policy statement:*
 - (ii) a New Zealand coastal policy statement:*
 - (iii) a regional policy statement or proposed regional policy statement:*
 - (iv) a plan or proposed plan; and*
 - (b) whether adequate consideration has been given to alternative sites, routes, or methods of undertaking the work if—*
 - (i) the requiring authority does not have an interest in the land sufficient for undertaking the work; or*
 - (ii) it is likely that the work will have a significant adverse effect on the environment; and*
 - (c) whether the work and designation are reasonably necessary for achieving the objectives of the requiring authority for which the designation is sought; and*
 - (d) any other matter the territorial authority considers reasonably necessary in order to make a decision on the requirement.*
- (3A) The effects to be considered under subsection (3) may include any positive effects on the environment to offset or compensate for any adverse effects on the environment that will or may result from the activity enabled by the requirement, as long as those effects result from measures proposed or agreed to by the requiring authority.*
- (4) The territorial authority may decide to—*
 - (a) confirm the requirement:*
 - (b) modify the requirement:*
 - (c) impose conditions:*
 - (d) withdraw the requirement.*