

**Before the Hearing Panel**

**Under** the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA)  
**In the matter** Proposed Plan Change 1 (PC1) to the Natural  
Resources Plan for the Wellington Region

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**Memorandum of Greater Wellington Regional Council concerning the  
Right of Reply – Hearing Stream 3 – Frequency of Monitoring Target  
Attribute**

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## MAY IT PLEASE THE PANEL

- 1 This memorandum is filed by Greater Wellington Regional Council (**GWRC**).
- 2 This memorandum responds to Minute 12 – General Question No. 2 that seeks clarification on the frequency of monitoring of Target Attribute States (TAS) particularly in relation to how these may be assessed for a part Freshwater Management Unit (pFMU), for example under Rules WH.R20 and P.R19.
- 3 Officers acknowledge the importance of clearly identifying how the TAS will be monitored over time, including the spatial and temporal scales that monitoring occurs. However, at this point in the hearing process, Officers consider it premature to confirm specific monitoring frequencies, this is because:
  - the full suite of activities and associated provisions under Plan Change 1 (PC1) has not yet been presented.
  - an integrated view of the monitoring framework will emerge through future hearing streams, particularly those addressing implementation, methods, and monitoring, and
  - aligning monitoring frequencies with the final form of provisions ensures clarity and avoids redundancy across the plan change.
- 4 Accordingly, Officers recommend that a detailed discussion on monitoring frequencies, including part-FMU assessments, be revisited at a later hearing stream when PC1 is complete and available to the Panel.