Environmental Policy Newsletter
Mānawa maiea te putanga o Matariki
Welcome the rising of Matariki



Kia ora <<First Name>>

In this issue a Plan Change 81 and Change 1 to the Tasman Resource Management Plan update and a decision for PPCR for PC 86 announced.



Submissions now open for Plan Change 81 Urban Development to the Tasman Resource Management Plan and Change 1 to the Tasman Regional Policy Statement

Tasman District Council's proposed Plan Change 81 has been shaped by more than three years of community engagement to help ensure the district has enough land for homes, businesses and jobs over the next decade.

Jeremy Butler, Team Leader Urban and Rural Policy, says the proposed plan responds to Tasman's changing population and future growth.

"We need to ensure there is enough land to meet future housing demand while providing more choice for people at different stages of life," he says.

Community feedback has supported a wider range of housing options, including smaller homes, duplexes and terraced housing, giving first-home buyers, families and older residents more choice about where and how they live.

The proposed plan also looks at whether there is enough industrial, commercial and retail land, and whether it is in the right places to support employment, businesses and access to services.

To see whether changes are proposed for your property, visit the Tasman Resource Management Plan and enter your address into the property search tool. For how-to videos and access to the plan change submission portal, visit the Shape Tasman

Submissions close for Plan Change 81 - Urban Development to the Tasman Resource Management Plan and Change 1 to the Tasman Regional Policy Statement Monday, 3 August 2026.

Need some help?

If you're unsure how to access the TRMP online or submission portal we will be holding a series of community **drop-in sessions** where you can receive one-on-one assistance with access issues.

We can help you with:

- Find your property in the Tasman Resource Management Plan.
- Understand the proposed planning changes.
- Navigate the online maps and planning documents.
- Access the online submission portal and make a submission.

Whether you're a homeowner, business owner, developer or simply interested in Tasman's future growth, everyone is welcome.



Decision released on Tasman Resource Management Plan – Private Plan Change Request 86

On Tuesday 7th April 2026 Council ratified the Hearing Panel's decision for Private Plan Change Request - PPCR 86: Palmer Waimea Water Management Zone.

The decision is available at www.tasman.govt.nz search "Change 86"

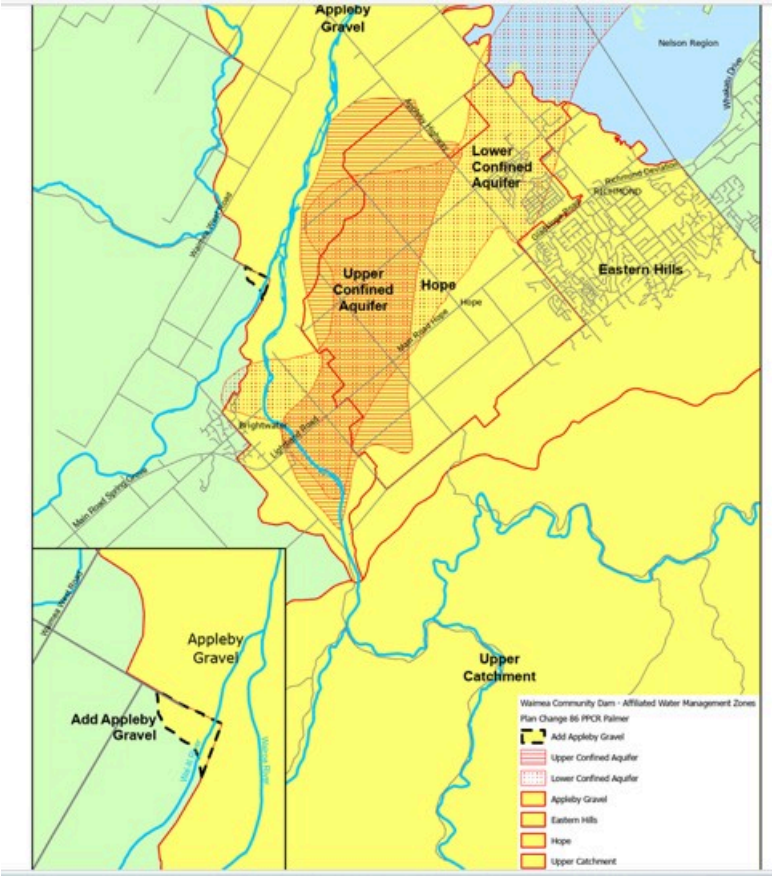
The appeal period opens Thursday 9th July 2026 and closes Thursday 20th August 2026. For further information, email Tasmanrmp@tasman.govt.nz.

This request was brought to Council by JL Palmer Ltd in August 2025. After initial notification, submissions, mediation and a hearing, the Hearing Panel's decision has now been released. Appeals can be made by submitters.

The Hearing Panel's decision upholds the requestors proposal to change the boundary of the Appleby Gravel Aquifer at Aldourie Road. The requester

provided substantial information and modelling data as part of the application and through the mediation and hearing process to support their request.

The outcome will allow an existing bore within the proposed Appleby Gravel Aquifer Zone extension (seen below in black dashed lines) to take water affiliated to the Waimea Community Dam subject to the resource consent process.



Being within the Appleby Gravel Zone (affiliated to the Waimea Community Dam) will provide the landowner with a more reliable supply of water than the current Wai-iti Dam Service Zone.



If you see three or more sick or dead wild birds in a group, report it immediately to the Exotic Pest and Disease Hotline on 0800 80 99 66.



Environmental Policy media links

Tasman Report is a podcast about the work of your council. Each episode draws on business from council committees and community boards, plus stories from staff working across parks and reserves, planning, infrastructure, biosecurity, ports and marine, planning, and emergency management, online here at Fresh FM and on Spotify, Apple Podcasts and iHeart Radio.

Tasman Resource Management Plan online here.

Natural Hazards map viewer. Access a YouTube how-to video.

Tasman Rural Hub is the place for everything rural. Check it out here

Te Waikoropupū Springs WCO information and data.

Te Waikoropupū Springs Monitoring Review presentation by Murray Close in Tākaka Tuesday, 15 April 2025. View here.

Avian Bird Flu threat updates read here.

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If you know someone who would be interested in being kept up-to-date on the work of the Environmental Policy team, and on future opportunities for providing feedback, please let them know that they can subscribe to these newsletters by using this link: http://eepurl.com/hk4tOv

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