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In the most recent budget, the Government allocated \$369.2 million to restore a resilient and reliable national rail service³. This funding will enable KiwiRail to continue networks services and continue network services for all rail users and provide the platform for projected growth on rail.

The Johnsonville, Melling, Wairarapa, Gracefield and North Island Main Trunk lines all extend through Greater Wellington with yard facilities in Wellington and Lower Hutt. These assets form a key part of the KiwiRail network nationally. KiwiRail seeks to protect its ability to operate, maintain and upgrade these assets into the future.

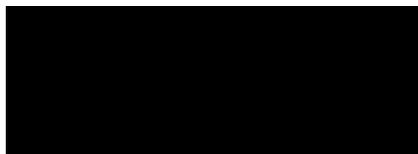
KiwiRail's interest in Plan Change 1 is primarily with regard to the following rules:

- Rules WH.R2 – WH.R5, WH.R7, WH.R11 and WH.R12 which relate to stormwater discharges that could be applicable to KiwiRail sites
- Rules WH.R18 and WH.R19 which relate to vegetation clearance
- Rule WH.R23 – WH.R25 which relate to earthworks
- Rules P.R2 – P.R5, P.R7, P.R10 and P.R11 which relate to stormwater discharges that could be applicable to KiwiRail sites
- Rules P.R16 - P.R18 which relate to vegetation clearance.
- Rules P.R22 – P.R24 which relate to earthworks

KiwiRail is generally supportive of the intent of the provisions, and seeks for the intent of the rules be retained.

KiwiRail wish to be heard in relation to the submissions and if other parties make similar submissions, KiwiRail would consider presenting a joint case with those parties at the hearing.

Regards,



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