

This entire chapter has been notified using the RMA Part One, Schedule 1 process (P1 Sch1).

Ngā Kaupapa o Ngā Rohenga Whakawhiti

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The Act states that the process by which cross boundary matters will be resolved can be stated in the District Plan.

Wellington City has boundaries with Porirua City Council and Hutt City Council. Wellington City is within the Wellington Region, which is administered by Greater Wellington Regional Council.

Cross boundary matters refer to situations where an activity takes place on or near a territorial boundary (e.g. residential subdivision), or where the effects of a particular activity impact on the territory of an adjacent authority (e.g. where an activity will result in traffic effects on a road in another District).

[The potential for environmental effects of land use activities in Wellington City on the water quality of the Porirua Stream and Te Awarua o Porirua/Porirua Harbour is an example of a cross boundary matter.](#)

The cross-boundary matters take two forms. The first is ensuring that the overall policies and rules in the District Plan take reasonable account of the effects on adjacent areas. The second category of cross boundary matters concern the consideration of the effect of activities in the District, on adjacent Districts.

Cross-boundary issues are addressed by:

1. Ensuring consistency and a degree of integration between the District Plan and the plans and policy statements of adjoining territorial authorities, as well as the Greater Wellington Regional Council. This will ensure that the region's resources are managed in a coordinated manner, and provide the basis for an assessment of resource consent applications; and
2. Consulting with adjoining authorities, Greater Wellington Regional Council, Taranaki Whānui ki te Upoko o te Ika and Ngāti Toa Rangatira on resource management matters, including Plan reviews, Plan changes and resource consent applications as required under the RMA or as is necessary or appropriate. This will include discussions with Council officers, as well Taranaki Whānui ki te Upoko o te Ika and Ngāti Toa Rangatira staff, possible notification of applications for resource consent in adjoining authorities and ~~where appropriate, joint hearings with adjoining territorial authorities and/or the Greater Wellington Regional Council.~~
3. [Where appropriate, joint processing of resource consents and the undertaking of hearings with adjoining territorial authorities and/or the Greater Wellington Regional Council.](#)