

BEFORE THE WAIKATO REGIONAL COUNCIL

IN THE MATTER of the Resource Management Act 1991

AND

IN THE MATTER of Submissions and Further Submissions
lodged by Winstone Aggregates Limited
and Fulton Hogan Limited on the
Proposed Waikato Regional Plan Change
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**RESPONSE TO QUESTION FROM THE PANEL REGARDING REGIONALLY
SIGNIFICANT INDUSTRY DEFINITION**

WINSTONE AGGREGATES AND FULTON HOGAN LIMITED

Submitter ID 73992

Submitter ID 74048

5 JULY 2019

BLOCK 2

Parts C1-C6: Policies, Rules and Schedules (most)

1.1 During their appearance before the panel on 1 July 2019, the panel asked Fulton Hogan Limited and Winstone Aggregates to consider further refinement of the proposed definition of regionally significant industry sought by these submitters.

1.2 The definition sought by Fulton Hogan and Winstone Aggregates presented in the evidence of Ms Sharon Dines was:

Regionally significant industry - means an economic activity based on the use of natural and physical resources in the region which have benefits that are significant at a regional or national scale. These may include social, economic or cultural benefits. Regionally significant industry includes:

- a) Dairy manufacturing sites;
- b) Meat processing plants;
- c) Pulp and paper processing plants; and
- d) Mineral extraction activities.

1.3 The submitters have reviewed provisions in other plans and policy statements to refine the above definition and consider that the inclusion of a threshold for aggregate extraction would provide further clarity. The threshold suggested below is modified from Policy 5.1.4 of the Northland Regional Policy Statement. The refined definition the submitters propose is:

Regionally significant industry - means an economic activity based on the use of natural and physical resources in the region which have benefits that are significant at a regional or national scale. These may include social, economic or cultural benefits. Regionally significant industry includes:

- a) Dairy manufacturing sites;
- b) Meat processing plants;
- c) Pulp and paper processing plants; and
- d) ~~Mineral extraction activities.~~ Aggregate extraction sites with an average extraction rate exceeding 50,000 tonnes per annum.