

**BEFORE THE HEARINGS PANEL APPOINTED BY WAIMAKARIRI DISTRICT
COUNCIL**

IN THE MATTER of the Resource Management Act 1991
(the Act)

AND

IN THE MATTER of hearing of submissions on The Proposed
Waimakariri District Plan

Hearing Stream 7A Ecosystems and
Indigenous Biodiversity

**INDUSTRY STATEMENT OF SARAH CAMERON FOR HORTICULTURE NEW
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23 August 2024

PURPOSE

1. This statement responds to the Section 42A report recommendations in regard to the Horticulture NZ submission specifically:
 - ECO – R1 Indigenous vegetation clearance within any mapped SNA
 - ECO - R2 Indigenous vegetation clearance outside any mapped SNA or unmapped SNA

2. HortNZ sought the inclusion of the below in both ECO – R1 and ECO – R2:

to manage vegetation that is infected by an unwanted organism as declared by the Ministry of Primary Industries Chief Technical Officer or an emergency declared by the Minister under the Biosecurity Act 1993.

3. The S42a author quite rightly pointed out that each rule already contains clearance for biosecurity removal:

for biosecurity purposes and is undertaken by, or on behalf of, the District Council, the Regional Council or Crown, or their nominated agent;

4. HortNZ accepts the recommendation of the S42a Author and won't be attending the hearing to further litigate the submission points for ECO – R1 and ECO – R2