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## New Zealand Freshwater Sciences Society

### **Water Submissions**

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### **Submission on the proposals to amend the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management 2011**

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission on the amendments to the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management 2011. The New Zealand Freshwater Science Society's submission is attached.

The Society has intentionally not provided an Executive Summary because of the detailed level of information necessary to understand, justify and respond to the stance taken by the Society.

Our submission is supported by the New Zealand Ecological Society and the New Zealand Hydrological Society. Each of these societies endorses the technical recommendations included in the NZFSS submission.

The NZFSS will continue to support reforms to programmes for freshwater management in New Zealand that will increase transparency of decision-making processes and allow for well-informed decisions to sustain freshwater resources for future generations. Many members of NZFSS have played an active role in helping to develop the reforms and look forward to further engagement as the reforms are rolled out.

Yours sincerely



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