

Greater Heretaunga and Ahuriri
Land and Water Management
Collaborative Stakeholder (TANK)
Group



**Meeting 39:
19 April 2018**



Karakia

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Ko te tumanako

Kia pai tenei rā

Kia tutuki i ngā wawata

Kia tau te rangimarie

I runga i a tatou katoa

Mauriora kia tatou katoa

Āmine

Water is a taonga



Agenda

- 9:30am Coffee & Welcome (Robyn)
- 9:50am Objectives for today (Mary-Anne)
Updates
- 10:00am Deciding freshwater attribute states (Sandy)
- 11:00am Sediment & Nutrient Management Discussion Paper
Farmer Reference Group – management proposal (Peter Kay)
- 12:30pm **LUNCH**
- 1:00pm Reducing Nutrient Losses to Water (Mary-Anne)
- 3:00pm **COFFEE BREAK**
- 3:30pm Update from Treaty Partners Group (Mana Whenua Group) (Marei)
- 3:45 pm Confirm Meeting records (Mtg 38)
- 4.20pm Meeting 40 Agenda (15 May)
- 4:30pm **CLOSE MEETING**

Introductions
Apologies
Housekeeping
Recording



Engagement etiquette

- Be an active and respectful participant / listener
- Share air time – have your say and allow others to have theirs
- One conversation at a time
- Ensure your important points are captured
- Please let us know if you need to leave the meeting early

Ground rules for observers

- RPC members are active observers by right (as per ToR)
- Pre-approval for other observers to attend should be sought from Robyn Wynne-Lewis (prior to the day of the meeting)
- TANK members are responsible for introducing observers and should remain together at break out sessions
- Observer's speaking rights are at the discretion of the facilitator and the observer should defer to the TANK member whenever possible.

Notices and announcements



Meeting objectives

1. Agree Water Quality Objectives; Attribute States
2. Agree management framework and policy direction for sediment and contaminant management;
 - Farmer Reference Group Proposal and
 - Nutrient Management

Action points- Meetings 38 & 37

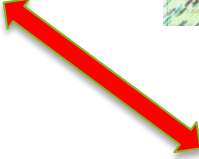
ID	Action item	Person responsible	Status
38.1	HBRC staff to provide hard copies of the pre-circulated documents for each TANK member	Nazlee	This meeting
37.1	Recommendation table to be updated including recommendation 2.1, and circulated post-meeting. Members to email feedback to Ceri.	Ceri	Complete
37.2	Circulate electronic copies of the HDC and NCC presentations to the Group	Ceri	Complete
37.3	Final version of Meeting 33 record would be re-circulated to the Group via email with the amended Meeting 36 record. These would also be added to the portal and website.	Ceri	Complete
37.4	Circulate Draft Plan to members, with executive summary following meeting 37.	Ceri/Mary-Anne	Complete

**WATER QUALITY
OBJECTIVES;
Providing for the Values**



Attribute States

Attributes Table



Farmer Reference Group
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“reduction in sediment loss by 30%”

EAWG - Meeting the Nutrient
challenge *“reduction in Nutrient loss
by 10 - 50%”*

Strawman –Nutrient and Sediment
Loss Management Framework

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Good Stewardship;
Contaminant loss management
Ecosystem Health

Nutrient Management Discussion Paper

Nutrient loads and allocation limits

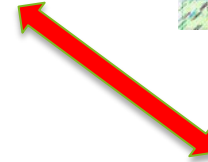




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Water Quality Objectives for Attributes States

Sandy Haidekker

Water quality numerical objectives (guidelines)

1. Where did we get to? TANK 33: Decision table maintain - improve
2. Reasoning behind the numerical objectives (guidelines –GL)
 - Where do the guidelines come from?
 - Decision criteria
3. Proposed numerical values – with state update 2013-16 data

Summary on desired states: TANK 33



Attribute	Value/guideline	Zone 1 Upper catchments		Zone 2 Mid-low main stem		Zone 3 Hill country tributaries		Zone 4 Lowland tributaries		
		Ngaruroro	Tutaekuri	Ngaruroro mid - low	Tutaekuri mid - low	Ngaruroro	Tutaekuri	Ngaruroro	Karamu	Ahuriri
Sediment - turbidity	Trout fishery ANZECC	maintain current	maintain current	maintain current	maintain current	maintain current	maintain current	maintain current	maintain current	improve ≤ 5.6 NTU
Sediment - clarity	Trout fishery recreation	maintain current	maintain current	maintain current	maintain current	maintain current	maintain current	improve >1.6 m	improve >1.6 m	improve >1.6 m
Deposited sediment	Waitangi/Ahuriri estuaries	maintain current	maintain current	improve	improve	improve	improve	improve	improve	improve
Algae - cover	Ecosystem health	maintain current	maintain current	maintain current	maintain current	improve $\leq 40\%$	maintain $\leq 40\%$	n/a	n/a	n/a
Algae - cover	Recreation	maintain current	maintain current	improve $< 30\%$	improve $< 30\%$	improve $< 30\%$	improve $< 30\%$	n/a	n/a	n/a
Macrophyte volume	Ecosystem health	maintain current	maintain current	n/a	n/a	improve $\leq 50\%$	n/a	improve $\leq 50\%$	improve $\leq 50\%$	improve $\leq 50\%$
MCI	Ecosystem health	maintain current	maintain current	maintain current >100	maintain current >100	maintain current	maintain current	maintain current >80	improve ≥ 80	improve ≥ 80
DIN	Algal growth/ estuary	maintain current	maintain current	maintain current	maintain current	improve <0.295 mg/L	improve <0.295 mg/L	improve <0.444 mg/L	improve <0.444 mg/L	improve <0.444 mg/L
DRP	Algal growth/ estuary	maintain current	maintain current	maintain current	maintain current	maintain current	improve $<0.0.15$ mg/L	improve $<0.0.15$ mg/L	improve $<0.0.15$ mg/L	improve $<0.0.15$ mg/L

Where do guidelines come from?

- NPS – National Objectives Framework (*E.coli*, toxicity, algal biomass)
- Hawke's Bay Regional Resource Management Plan
- Australian and New Zealand Guidelines for Fresh and Marine Water Quality
- NOF proposed thresholds and discussion papers
- Science papers with relationship between attribute and value

Decision criteria for guidelines

1. National Objectives Framework

2. Direct attribute – value relationship

- With bands for state: excellent/good/fair/poor
- Single guideline

3. A statistical guideline

- Defines 'normal' in a range (percentile) → being outside means potentially a problem
- e.g. ANZECC, RRMP

4. The critical value is the most sensitive value for the water quality attribute and for which guidelines have been developed.

e.g. attributes: clarity, turbidity, suspended sediment to values: trout fishery, recreation

Agreement on water quality objectives

Guideline values aim to represent the decisions taken on TANK 33
(maintain or improve)

- Agree on numerical values (guidelines, limits) to describe the desired state
- maintain or improve an attribute state ***in a zone***.
- Where a water body's attribute state is better than that of a guideline, the objective is that the ***state*** is maintained.

Agreement on water quality objectives

Considerations / uncertainties in determining the most appropriate guideline:

- One guideline: Broad categories, sometimes challenging to find the right attribute-value significance or relationship (ANZECC, RRMP)
- Within a zone variable attribute states → GL means improve for some, maintain current state for others
- One guideline, several statistics or no statistic defined
- Limited data available (continuous measurements e.g. oxygen and temperature)
- Data gaps: Not every tributary has data on all attributes
- Guidelines not available / not developed yet
- Statistics to calculate guideline not defined

- Fill in values for 'maintain current'
- Update: More (better) guidelines available
- Update: More recent data 2014-2016 dataset
- Update: Gap sites have 3 full years dataset

➔ **Monster table!**

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Summary on desired states

Discussion table



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Sediment - clarity (m)	Trout fishery recreation	≥ 5	≥ 5	≥ 1.6	≥ 1.6	≥ 1.6	≥ 1.6	≥ 1.6	≥ 1.6	≥ 1.6
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Algae - cover (% PeriWCC)	Ecosystem health								n/a	n/a
Algae - cover (% PeriWCC)	Recreation	≤ 30	≤ 30	≤ 30	≤ 30	≤ 30	≤ 30	n/a	n/a	n/a
Macrophyte volume (% CAV)	Ecosystem health	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	(≤ 50)	n/a	≤ 50	≤ 50	≤ 50
MCI	Ecosystem health	≥ 120	≥ 120	≥ 100	≥ 100	≥ 100	≥ 100	$\geq 80^*$	$\geq 80^*$	$\geq 80^*$
DIN	Algal growth/ estuary	< 0.05	< 0.05	< 0.15	< 0.15	< 0.3	< 0.3	< 0.444	< 0.444	< 0.444
DRP	Algal growth/ estuary	< 0.003	< 0.003	< 0.015	< 0.015	< 0.015	< 0.015	< 0.015	< 0.015	< 0.015

White: all SOE sites meet GL = maintain
 Grey: One or more SOE sites don't meet GL

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TANK 33 decision: maintain current

ANZECC / RRMP recreation

All flows → improve

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- Data update 2013-16
- Tutaekuri: small gravel at SOE sites

Algae - cover (% PeriWCC)	Ecosystem health	≤20	≤20	≤40	≤40	≤40	≤40	n/a	n/a	n/a
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- Maraekakaho at Kereru road: should be algae on gravel bed
→ switches between algae and macrophytes or both

Macrophyte volume (% CAV)	Ecosystem health	n/a	n/a	n/a	n/a	(≤ 50)	n/a	≤ 50	≤ 50	≤ 50
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- TANK 33: maintain current
- MCI slightly below in Ngaruroro (95/99)
- MCI below in Tutaekuri (86/92)
- Hill country tributaries Ngaruroro: only Maraekakaho <100

MCI	Ecosystem health	≥ 120	≥ 120	≥ 100	≥ 100	≥ 100	≥ 100	≥ 80*	≥ 80*	≥ 80*
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Proposal: Attribute States

Objectives for attribute states as provided in spreadsheet

1. Do you agree with the attributes states as out-lined?
or
2. Agree but with conditions?
3. Do you disagree ? – why

Farmer Reference Group – Management Framework Proposal

Peter Kay

TANK Nutrient and Sediment Management Proposal

Collective/Industry Approach

Permitted

Collective Identifies Water Quality Issues & Develops Plan to address issues

Council Approves the Plan

Collective Implements and Reports on Progress

Programme and implementation audited (Council or third party)

Collective Reviews Plan

Adaptive, flexible innovative

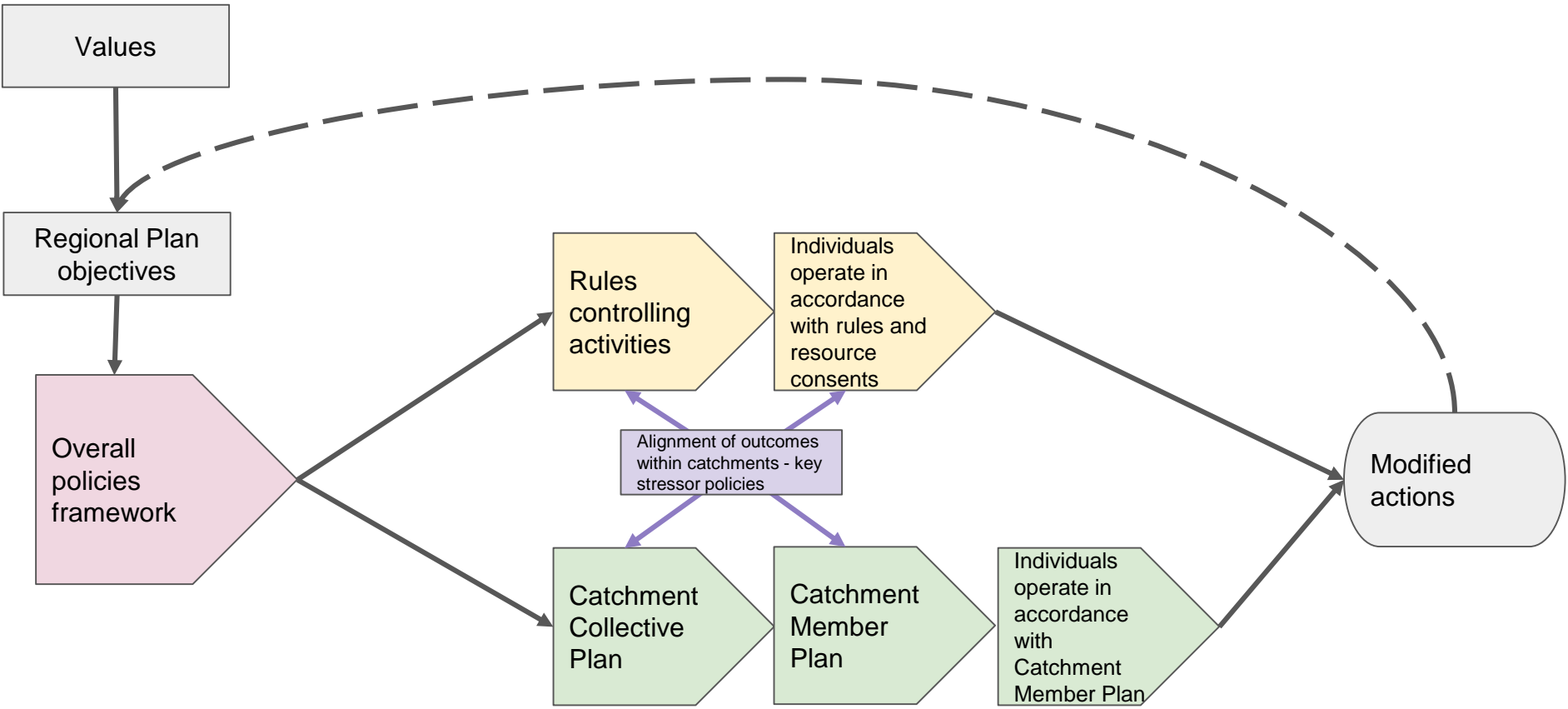
Individual Approach

Controlled

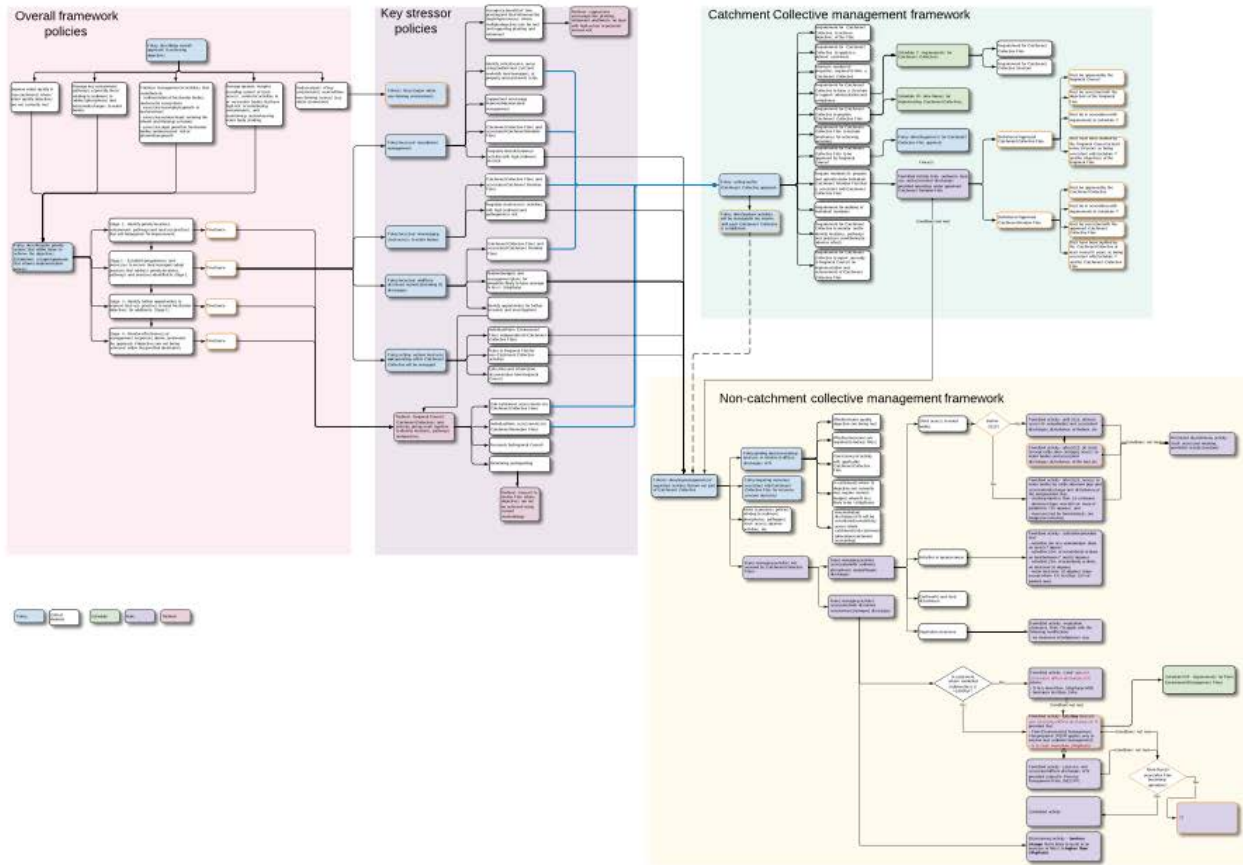
Consent with conditions

Rules – stock exclusion
Setbacks, cultivation

Monitoring and compliance by Council



Farmer Reference Group Draft Strawman Policy Framework



Big-picture - Key Features

- **Builds on collaborative model** for implementation
- **Obligations** are specified;
 - Meeting water quality objectives specified at sub-catchment level
 - Membership of programme or farm plan
 - Rules for specific activities
- **Council approval** of catchment and farm plans
- **Priority** approach
 - Targeted catchments
 - Key stressors/pathways



Big-picture



Key features:

- **Milestones** specified for plans and implementation
 - Reporting on implementation of programmes
 - Related to plan timeframes
- **Monitoring** at catchment scale
- **Auditing** required
- Allows for **innovation/flexibility** to meet objectives



Proposal: Management Framework

Do you agree with the management framework as presented by the pastoral Farmer Reference Group - including provisions for nutrient and riparian land management for other land uses?

1. Do you agree with the framework as out-lined?
or
2. Agree but with conditions?
3. Do you disagree ? – why

Discussion Paper: *Reducing Nutrient Losses to Water, Water Quality Attribute States*

Do you have feedback or questions in relation to the discussion paper?

1. Do you agree with the conclusion reached?
or
2. Agree but with conditions?
3. Do you disagree ? – why

Next meeting – 15 May 2018

Economic Assessment
Low Flow Trigger
Mitigation Measures

Report back from Drinking Water Group

Tutaekuri Values

Draft Plan & Rules (Implementation plan)

Social & Cultural Impact Assessment

Closing Karakia

Nau mai rā

Te mutu ngā o tatou hui

Kei te tumanako

I runga te rangimarie

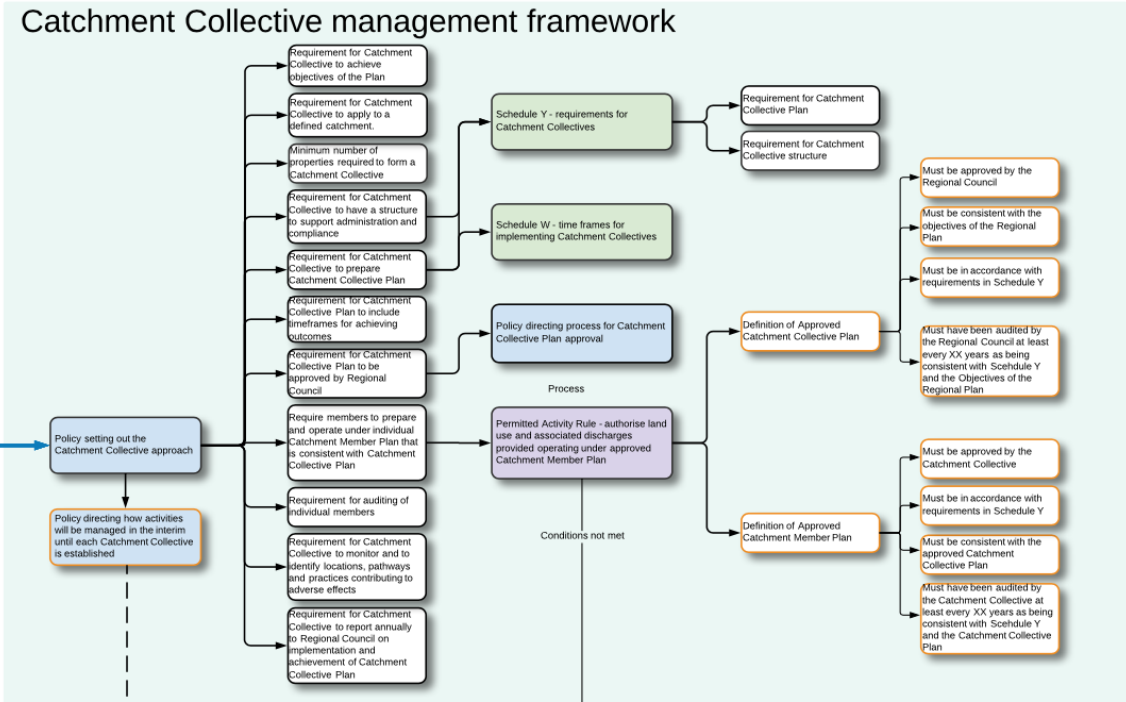
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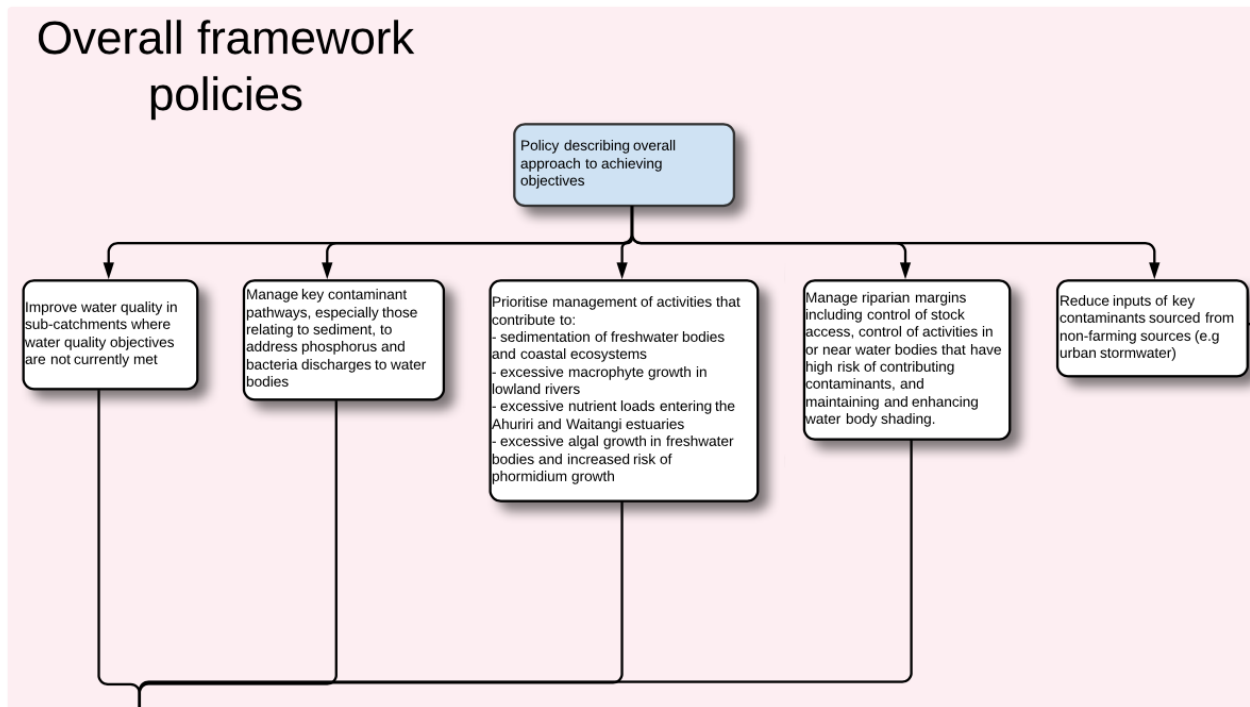
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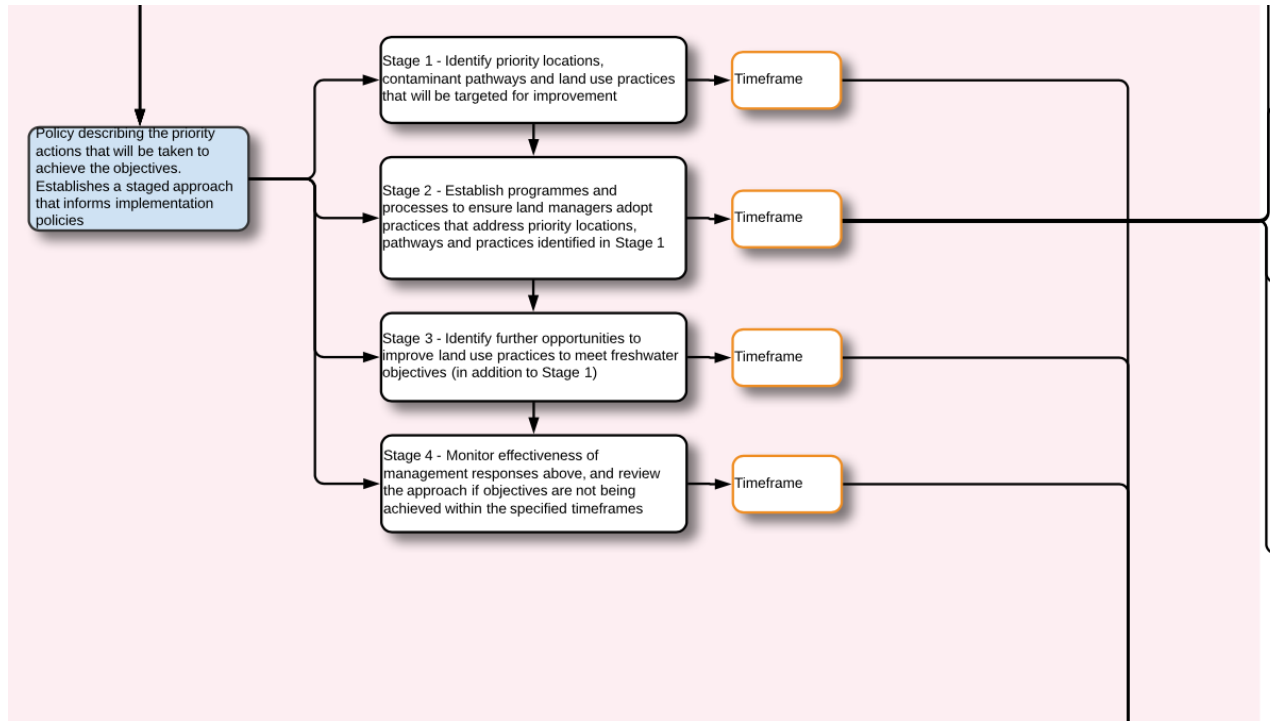
Catchment collective framework



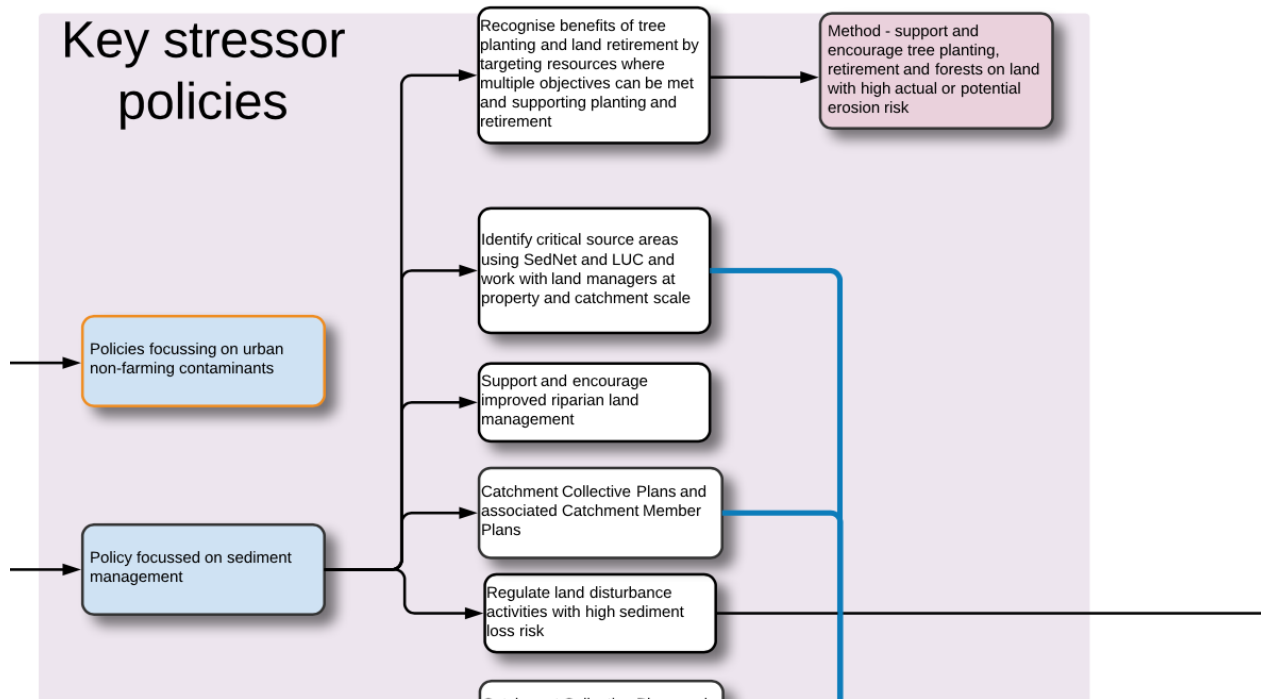
Overall management approach



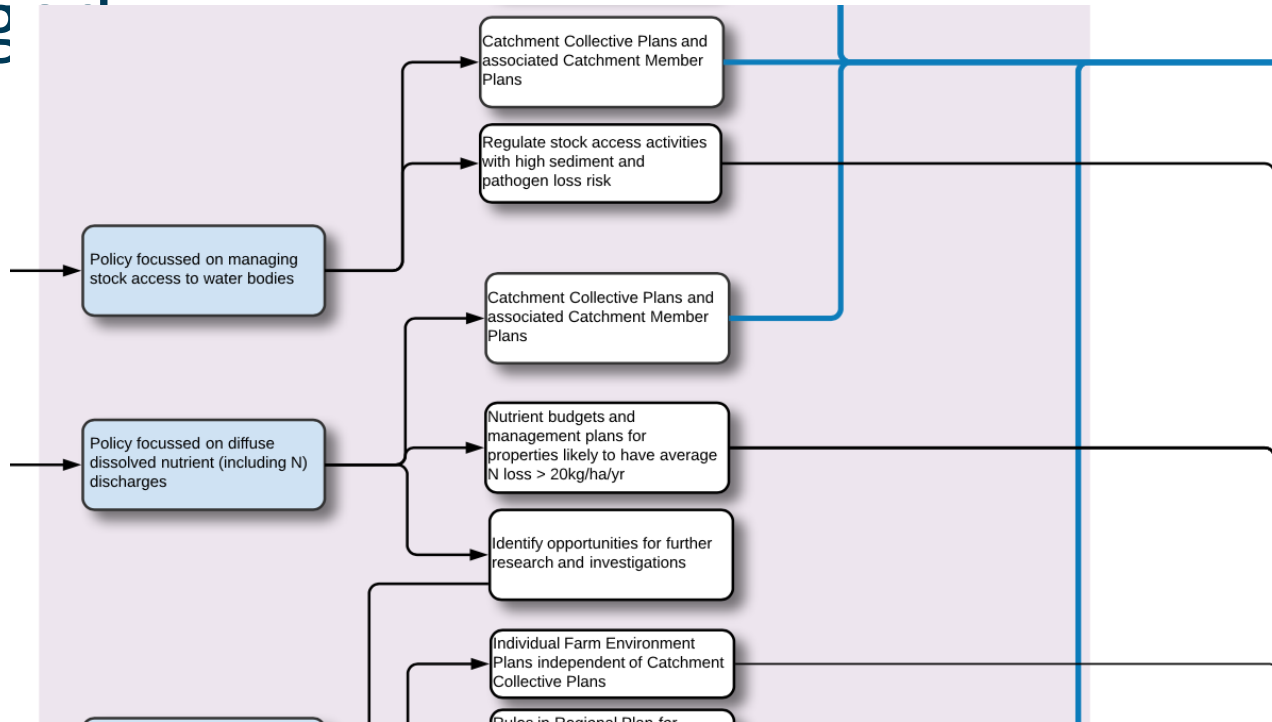
A staged approach



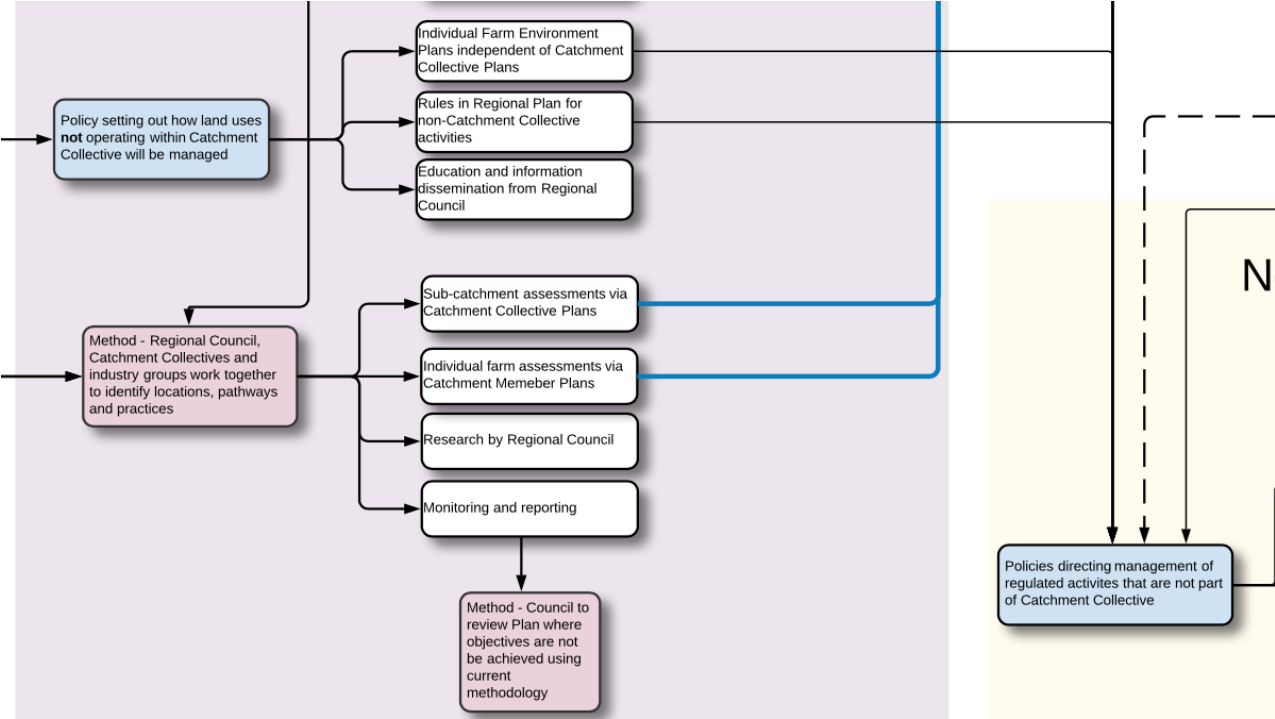
How will sediment discharges be managed



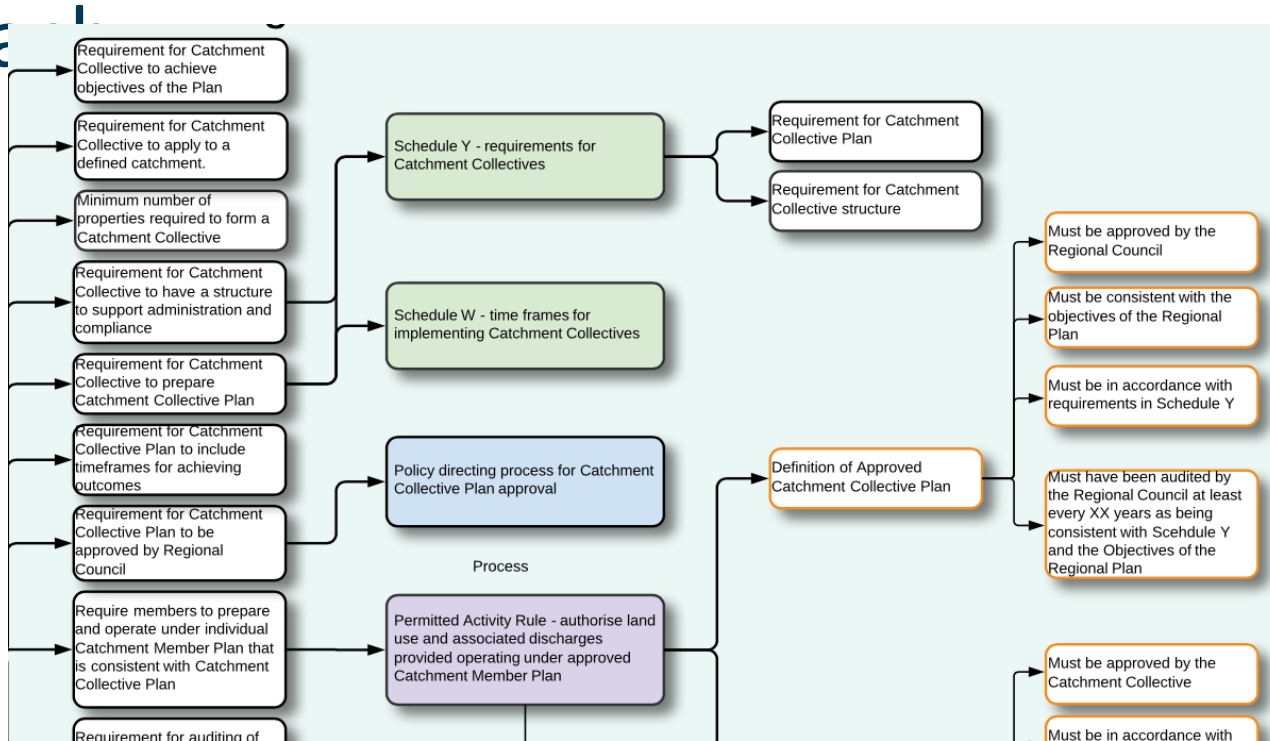
How will stock access and Nitrogen be managed



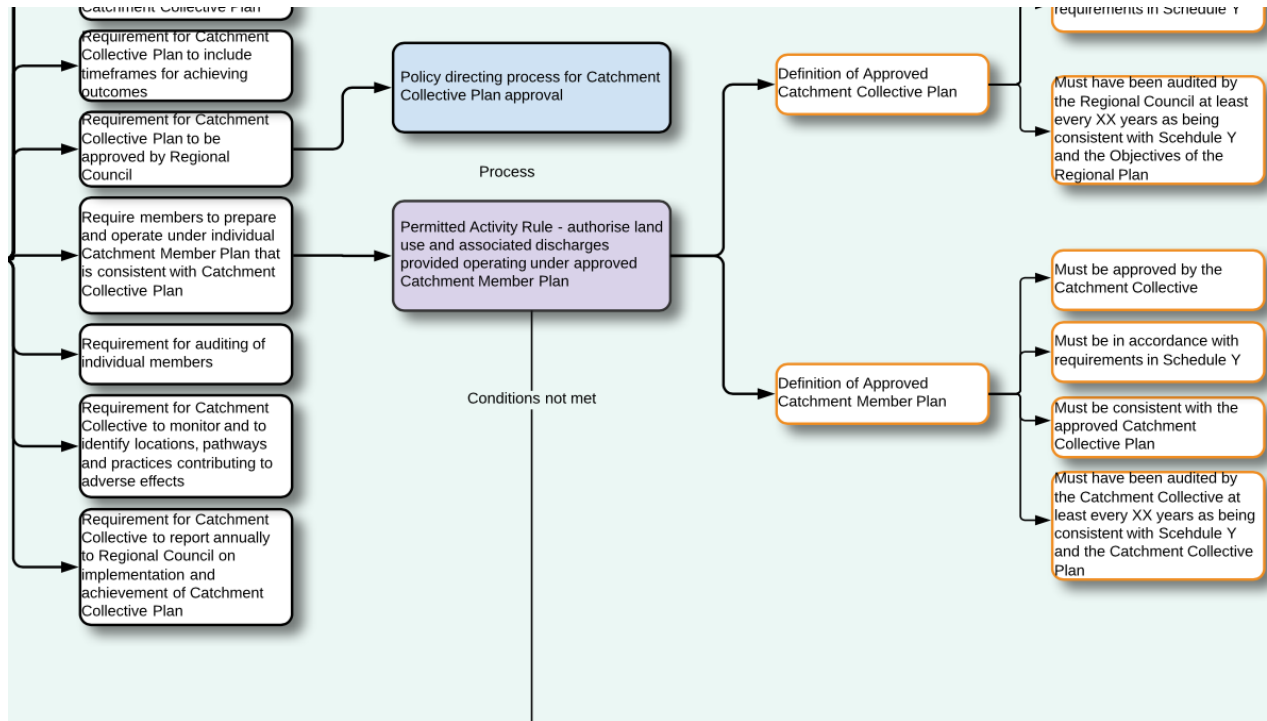
Non-catchment collective activities



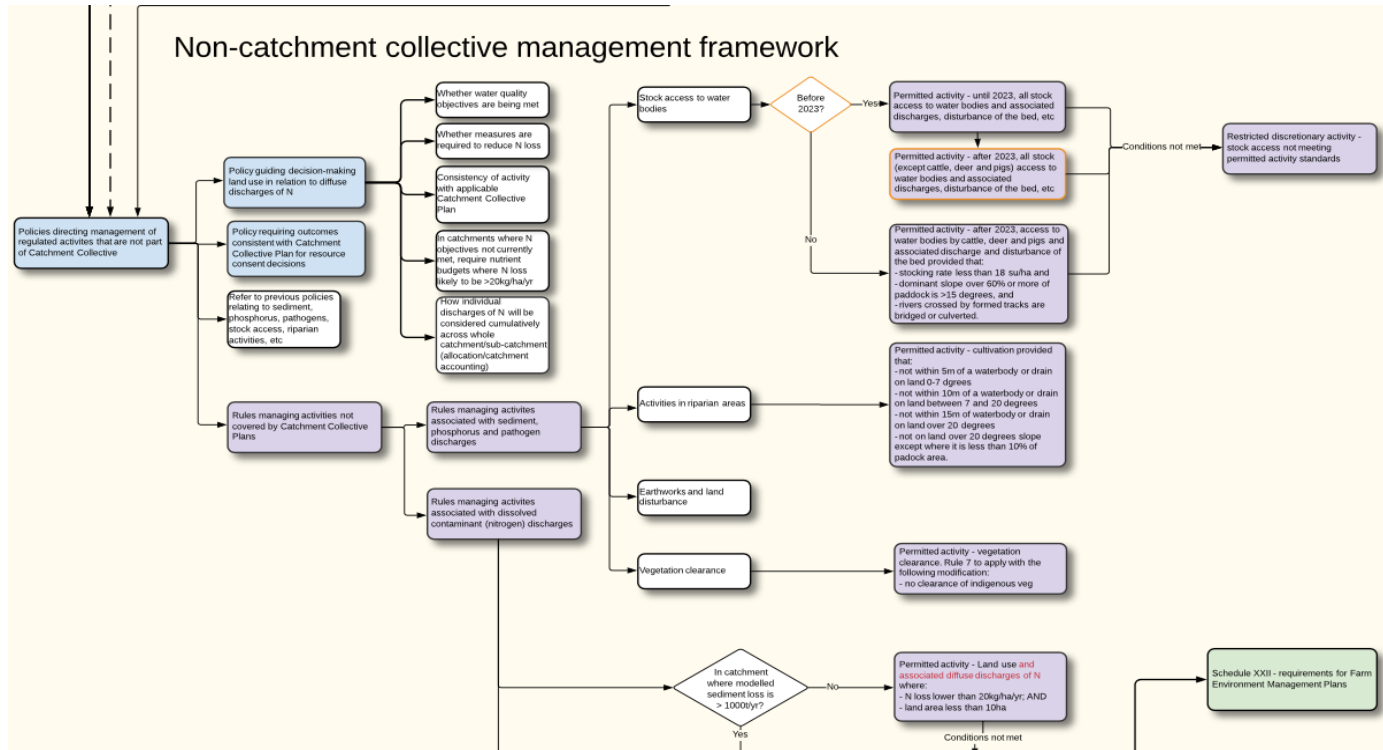
Key components of Catchment Collective approach



Key components continued...



Non-catchment collective approach - regulation



Nitrogen management approach

