CHAPTER 3: LOCAL AUTHORITY CROSS-BOUNDARY ISSUES

3.0 INTRODUCTION

Some resource management issues or concerns are common with those for other local authorities adjacent to Tasman District. Such issues may be in relation to a specific resource or area that extends across district or regional boundaries, for example, continuous urban areas and areas of high natural value. Other common issues may be similar processes or systems such as erosion, contamination, transport networks or water bodies that require a consistent approach to management. The Act requires the Council to investigate common or cross-boundary issues with adjacent local authorities, and to specify in the regional and district plans, the processes to deal with these issues.

The West Coast Region and Buller District lie to the west of Tasman District, and Nelson City, Marlborough District, Hurunui District and the Canterbury Region lie to the east and south.

Since 1 July 1992 when the Council became a unitary authority, issues have arisen in consultation between the Council and some adjacent local authorities, particularly Nelson City Council and West Coast Regional Council. Significant issues include:

- (a) Consistent approaches in resource management policies and plans (Tasman District/Nelson City/Marlborough District/West Coast Region/Buller District/Canterbury Region/Hurunui District).
- (b) Consistent approaches in addressing issues of significance to the tangata whenua and iwi authorities (Tasman District/Nelson City).
- (c) Consistent management of effects of urban land use activities in the Nelson-Stoke-Richmond urban area, including space needs for residential, commercial, industrial (large and small sites), rural-residential and open space purposes (Tasman District/Nelson City).
- (d) Consistent management of the effects of land disturbance activities (Tasman District/Nelson City/West Coast Region).
- (e) Co-ordinated management of land use effects in areas that are significant hard rock quarry aggregate sources in the Eastern Nelson Hills (Tasman District/Nelson City).
- (f) Consistent coastal water quality management and coastal space management in eastern Tasman Bay/Te Tai-o-Aorere, particularly in relation to recreational activities and aquaculture (Tasman District/Nelson City).
- (g) Protection of natural values and features in Waimea Estuary (Tasman District/Nelson City).
- (h) Consistent water management on shared catchments, including the Roding River (Tasman District/Nelson City) and Buller River (Tasman District/West Coast Region).
- (i) Co-ordinated waste minimisation and hazardous waste management programmes (Tasman District/Nelson City).
- (j) Co-ordinated environmental monitoring of water and air quality and hazardous wastes (Tasman District/Nelson City).
- (k) Co-ordinated management of the effects of land transport systems and modes, including roading, passenger transport, cycleways and walkways, and of the effects of land use activities on these systems and modes (Tasman District/Nelson City).
- (l) Co-ordinated provision for specific amenity services and facilities in relation to recreation, arts, culture, tourism (Tasman District/Nelson City).

3.1 LOCAL AUTHORITY CROSS-BOUNDARY ISSUES

3.1.1 Issue

The need for co-ordinated, consistent approaches to resource management issues that cross local authority boundaries.

3.1.2 Objective

Full and effective integration of resource management decisions and results concerning issues extending across the District boundary.

3.1.3 Policies

3.1.3.1 The Council will continue joint definition and analysis of significant cross-boundary issues with adjacent local authorities and seek to pursue consistent resource management policies for their resolution.

3.1.20 Methods of Implementation

- **3.1.20.1** The Council will consult and undertake joint investigations and analyses of common issues with adjacent local authorities.
- 3.1.20.2 The Council will pursue consistent resource management policies to address these issues, under agreed priorities and processes under regional and district plans.
- 3.1.20.3 The Council will co-operate in the use of joint committees where appropriate to achieve methods (a) and (b).

3.1.30 Principal Reasons and Explanation

Cross-boundary issues are matters of concern and interest to both the Council and any adjacent local authorities. The Act requires these issues to be dealt with in the same way as resource management issues that are contained within the District. There are potential cost savings and cost-sharing arrangements that can be pursued by working together with adjacent Councils, particularly with Nelson City Council, with which the Council has a significant number of common issues.

3.1.40 Performance Monitoring Indicators

- 3.1.40.1 Completion of joint resolution processes within appropriate timeframes.
- 3.1.40.2 Demonstration of sustainable and integrated management outcomes arising from resolution processes.

3.50 ENVIRONMENTAL RESULTS ANTICIPATED

- 3.50.1 Resolution of significant cross-boundary issues through appropriate timeframes and efforts.
- 3.50.2 Environmental results that are in accordance with sustainable and integrated management aims of all affected Councils.