

## PART VI: DISCHARGES

### INTRODUCTION

Part VI applies to all discharges of contaminants to the environment.

**Chapters 33 to 35** deal with contaminant discharge issues, objectives and policies. It covers discharges to land, fresh water, air, and the coastal marine area.

**Chapter 36** states the rules applying to the discharge of contaminants, and Chapter 37 gives guidelines for the information that may be required to accompany discharge permit or coastal permit applications.

Part V constitutes regional plan provisions controlling the taking, using, damming and diverting of water and coastal water.

Part VI constitutes regional plan provisions controlling the discharge of contaminants and management of air, land and water quality. The effect of regional objectives, policies and rules on discharge activities is described in Chapter 1.8.2 of the Plan.

Elements of Part VI including Chapter 35 and relevant rules in Chapter 36, along with Part III (Coastal Marine Area), together constitute the Regional Coastal Plan.

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The quality of water in the coastal marine area is affected by land uses or discharges to fresh water, as well as by discharges direct to the coastal marine area. Part VI makes appropriate connections between activities on land and their downstream effects on the coastal marine area.

**Note:** Other parts of this introduction are applicable to the coastal marine area but are not part of the Regional Coastal Plan.

