



Taranaki Regional Council Coastal Plan review:

Where does the

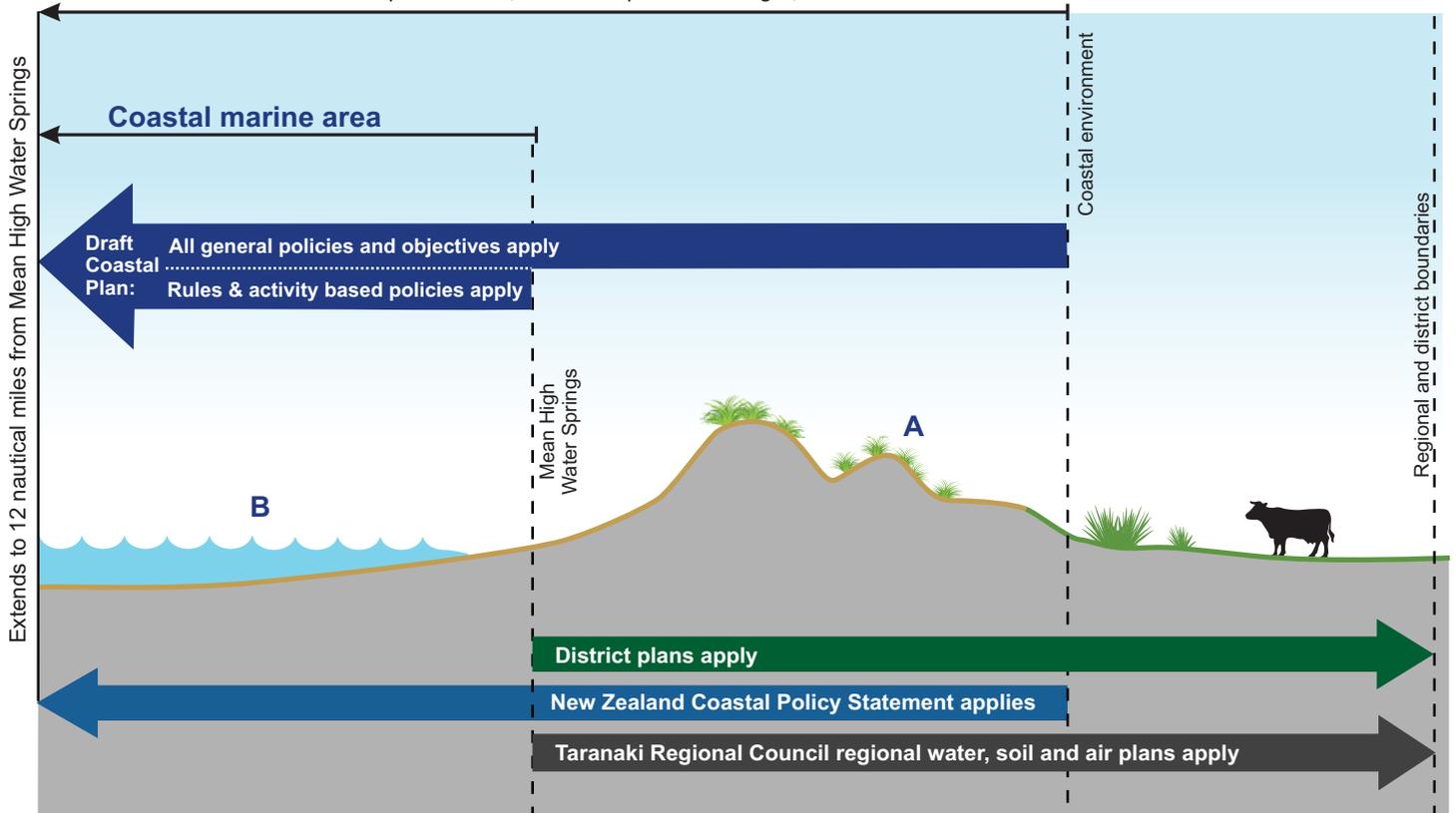
Draft Coastal Plan apply?

How do we define the coast? Do other plans and rules cover the same areas

The Taranaki Regional Council is reviewing its Coastal Plan, which is the 'rule book' governing the use, development and protection of what's known as the Coastal Marine Area. A new Draft Coastal Plan proposes to **extend its scope** to cover the broader Coastal Environment. This information sheet explains the meaning and implications of these terms. It also looks at other plans and rules that apply to the coast.

Coastal Environment

'Where coastal processes, influences or qualities are significant'



Coastal environment

Some aspects of the Draft Coastal Plan – the objectives and general policies – apply to what's called the Coastal Environment.

The Coastal Environment is defined as the area where coastal processes, influences or qualities are significant. As the diagram above shows, this extends inland. One obvious example would be sand dunes.

The wet bit: The Coastal Marine Area

All aspects of the Draft Coastal Plan, including the rules and activity-based policies, apply to the Coastal Marine Area (CMA). The CMA is part of the coastal environment, the seaward side of the mean high water springs (the highest high-tide mark), the 'wet bit'.



Other plans and rules

- The Government's New Zealand Coastal Policy Statement (NZCPS) covers all of the Coastal Environment. Regional and district plans must give effect to the NZCPS.
- The Taranaki Regional Council's other regional plans address activities impacting on fresh water, soil conservation and air quality within the Coastal Environment but outside of the Coastal Marine Area.
- New Plymouth and South Taranaki District Plans address subdivision and land use activities in the Coastal Environment, outside of the Coastal Marine Area.

Examples in the table below relate to locations A and B in the diagram:

Coastal Environment		
Activity	Location A: Dry bits	Location B: Wet bits
Discharge of wastewater into water	TRC Freshwater Plan Draft Coastal Plan (objectives and general policies only) NZCPS	Draft Coastal Plan NZCPS
Build a structure	District Plan Draft Coastal Plan (objectives and general policies only) NZCPS	Draft Coastal Plan NZCPS
Discharge of contaminant to air	TRC Air Plan Draft Coastal Plan (objectives and general policies only) NZCPS	Draft Coastal Plan NZCPS
Dig a large hole	District Plan Draft Coastal Plan (objectives and general policies only) NZCPS	Draft Coastal Plan NZCPS

We are keen to hear what you think

Feedback and more information

Go to www.trc.govt.nz/coastal-plan-review/ to find:

- The Draft Coastal Plan in full.
- This summary and background document.
- Other information sheets and background papers.
- An online form for sending feedback to the Council.

LET US KNOW WHAT YOU THINK

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 0800 736 222 - we can give you more information, take your feedback or arrange a meeting.



**Our deadline for feedback is
Friday 18 November 2016.**