



# REGIONAL FORUM

People Water and Land – *Te Mana o te Tangata, te Wai, te Whenua*

## Three or Four Waters?

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## National perspective

- Havelock North – system failure, Aug 2016
  - Drinking water contamination, campylobacter
  - 5000 people affected
  - Havelock North enquiry & findings, May & Dec 2017
- Reform of three waters system underway
- Related to, but separate from, the Essential Freshwater Programme
- Cabinet decisions late 2020



Drinking water



Wastewater



Stormwater

## Regional Approach

- Compliance forums, ongoing
  - Data, monitoring, reporting (incl. incidents) and enforcement
- Four Waters – 3 Waters + water quality, commenced 2015
  - Focused on resource consenting
  - Development of strategic approaches forward
- 2<sup>nd</sup> tier and Planning Managers, commenced 2019



## Environment Southland Priorities

- LGA
  - Ongoing provision of good quality regulation and services (s10 & 11)
- 4 Waters wk. programme will be revived during 2020
  - Influenced by People, Water & Land Programme
  - Responds to the Values, Objectives and Limits over time
  - Connects councils LTPs, Asset Management Plans etc
  - Informs the content of Southland's next generation Policy / Plans





**Questions?**

