



Developing Otago's new Land and Water Regional Plan

Programme

7:00pm – Welcome & introductions

7:10pm – Mana whenua

7:20pm – ORC presentation

- The what, why, & how of the plan
- Visions & values
- Your feedback

8:15pm – Next steps

8:25pm – Any final questions

8:30pm – Meeting finishes



North Otago FMU

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- Introductions
- Online meeting logistics
- North Otago FMU
- Discussion, Q&As





Mana whenua perspective



What is a Land and Water Regional Plan?

*Amber Smith
Freshwater & Land Policy Analyst, ORC*

- Tells us how we manage activities that have an impact on health of our freshwater and land
- Objectives (desired outcomes), Policies (how to get there), Rules & Limits (may need a resource consent)



Why do we need a new Plan?

- Our current water plan is out-of-date
- New challenges and issues
- Changing expectations and new legislation



The Hierarchy of Plans





Te Mana o te Wai

new fundamental concept & shared responsibility

1st

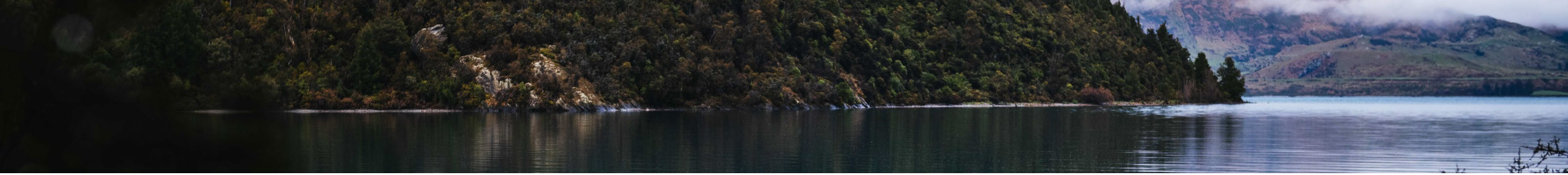
- The health and well-being of **water** bodies and freshwater ecosystems

2nd

- the health needs of **people** (such as drinking water)

3rd

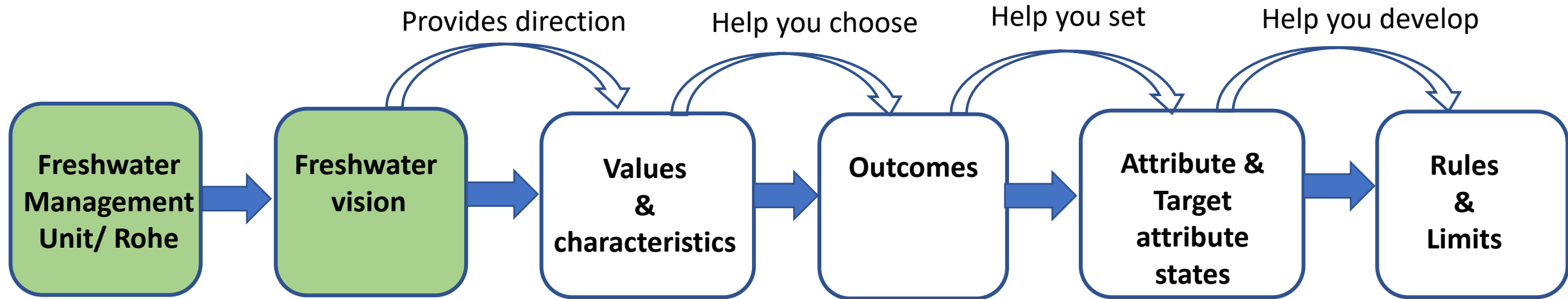
- the ability of people and communities to provide for their **social, economic, and cultural** wellbeing, now and in the future



How are we doing this?

- Partnering with iwi
- Building on past consultation
- Collating new and existing technical information (hydrology, ecology, economics)
- Engaging with communities to better understand what you value and what you want the environment to look like in the future.

How are we doing this?



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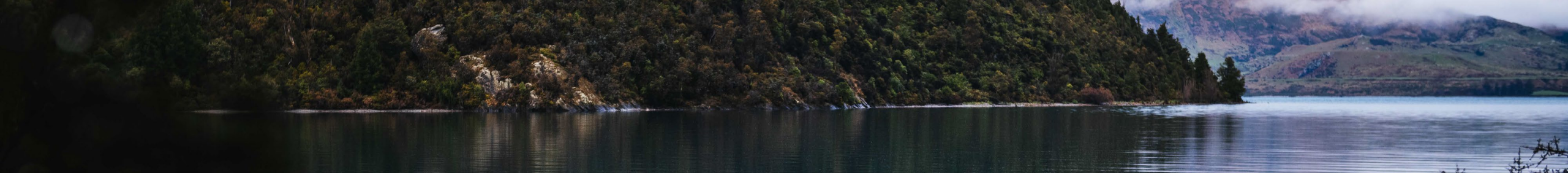
Value =
Water Quality

Characteristic =
Clarity

Outcome =
River and streams have clear flowing water

Attribute =
Suspended fine sediment

Rules =
sediment discharge rules, setbacks for earthworks, stock exclusion



Q & A





North Otago FMU vision

- Relationship of Kāi Tahu with wāhi tūpuna is sustained
- Healthy riparian margins, wetlands, estuaries and lagoons support thriving mahika kai
- Easy migration of indigenous species
- No further modification of water bodies, restore where possible
- Reduced discharges of nutrients and contaminants so water is safe for human contact
- Innovative and sustainable land and water management practices support food production and improve climate change resilience



North Otago FMU values

Compulsory values

Ecosystem health includes:

- Water quality
- Water quantity (River flow and lake level)
- Habitat
- Aquatic life - Plants or animals that live in or near water
- Ecological processes

Human contact (swimming)

Threatened species

Mahika kai

Values that must be considered

Natural character

Fishing

Water take and use

- Hydro-electricity
- Animal drinking water
- Communal & domestic use
- Economic, commercial or productive uses
- Wai tapu
- Tauranga waka

Other values identified

Non-contact recreation (e.g. walking, camping, picnicking)

Wāhi tupuna

Something else?



FMU/Rohe consultation

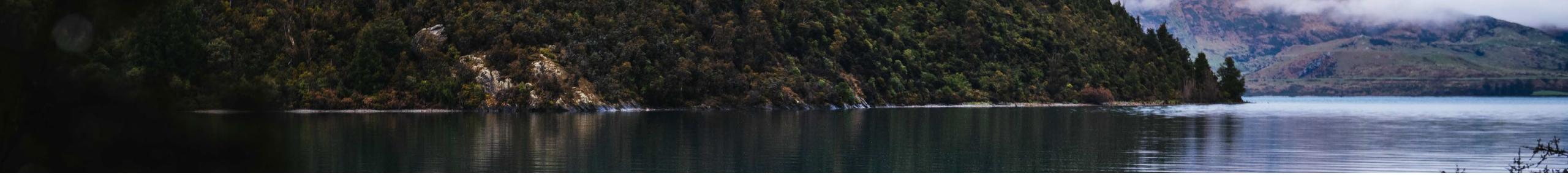
stages

March 2022 - Confirm values and discuss their characteristics (to inform setting environmental outcomes)

Mid 2022 - Present and discuss environmental outcomes and management options to achieve outcomes

Late 2022- Present a preferred management option

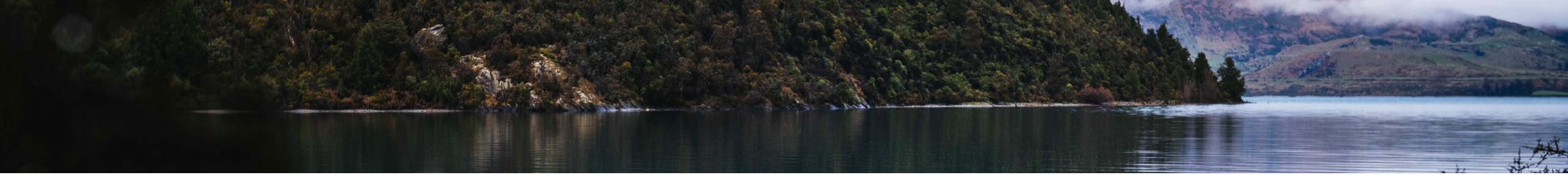
Dec 2023 - Proposed Land and Water Regional Plan out for public submissions



How can you have a say?

Complete the survey and pin your interests on our mapping tool

- Online <https://yoursay.orc.govt.nz/lwrp2022>
- or contact customer services to request a paper version of the survey
 - 0800 474 082
 - CustomerServices@orc.govt.nz



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Next steps & session wrap up

- Online survey closes 14 April 2022
- We will be in your area in mid-2022
- Stay connected:
 - www.orc.govt.nz
 - On-Stream e-newsletter

Thank you!