

Overview

The district has a large number of small rural and coastal settlements. The National Planning Standards have identified the Settlement zone as being appropriate for 'areas used predominantly for a cluster of residential, commercial, light industrial and/or community activities that are located in rural areas or the coastal environment. This definition applies to settlements of varying sizes and mixes of activities, including larger settlements such as Okaihau through to smaller settlements such as Jacks Bay.

A defining feature of settlements in the Settlement zone is that they are neither supported, nor plan to be supported, by a Council reticulated wastewater network. In addition, most settlements do not have reticulated water supply and are not connected to a reticulated stormwater network. It is expected that these settlements will have limited development potential due to this lack of infrastructure as the need to provide most, if not all, services on-site will prevent urban scale intensification. The character and amenity of each settlement differs depending on its location, the range of activities in the settlement and the role of the settlement in servicing the surrounding area. It is expected that the individual characteristics of each settlement will be recognised in the preparation and assessment of any resource consent application. Most of the settlements are located in a rural setting adjoining the Rural Production zone, which means reverse sensitivity effects also need to be managed at this interface.

Larger settlements provide commercial, community and industrial services for the surrounding rural community and the travelling public. These non-residential activities are usually small scale such as schools, medical centers, halls, marae, food outlets and service stations. They play a major role in the community such as providing a source of employment, education healthcare and as social meeting places.

Some settlements are located in the coastal environment and only support a cluster of residential activities, which may have small to medium scale visitor accommodation (such as camping grounds, motor camps and holiday rental homes) and also recreational facilities. Due to their coastal location some of these settlements have small resident populations that rise substantially over summer months with the influx of holidaymakers.

There are settlements such as Te Tii where the land tenure is predominantly Māori land, as defined in Te Ture Whenua Māori Act 1993. The majority of the land in these settlements will be zoned Māori Purpose zone, however residual land in the settlement that is in general title and therefore not eligible to have the Māori Purpose zone applied has been zoned Settlement zone. This ensures that all land in a settlement has an appropriate development framework, regardless of land tenure.

Council has a responsibility under the RMA, the NPS-UD and the Northland Regional Policy Statement to ensure that there is sufficient land, integrated with infrastructure networks, for housing and business to meet the expected demands of the district. If land in the Settlement zone is connected to a Council reticulated wastewater network system in the future, then a plan change will be undertaken at that time to determine if the settlement should be rezoned as an urban environment.

Objectives	
RSZ-O1	Rural and coastal settlements are used predominantly for residential activities and are sustained by a range of compatible activities and services.
RSZ-O2	Land use and subdivision is of a scale and intensity that is in keeping with the rural or coastal character and amenity of each settlement.
RSZ-O3	Land use and subdivision in the Settlement zone is appropriate for the physical and environmental attributes of the site and any infrastructure constraints.

RSZ-O4	Land use and subdivision in the Settlement zone is managed to control any reverse sensitivity issues that may occur within the zone or at the zone interface.
Policies	
RSZ-P1	Enable residential and complementary non-residential activities that support the role and function of the Settlement zone.
RSZ-P2	Require land use and subdivision in the Settlement zone associated with non-residential activities to demonstrate the ability to provide for onsite infrastructure unless a reticulated service is available.
RSZ-P3	Enable non-residential activities in the Settlement zone that: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. are of a scale, intensity, character and amenity that compliments the residential activities in the settlement; b. support the social and economic well-being of the community; c. do not adversely affect the viability and vitality of nearby urban centers; and d. demonstrate the ability to provide for onsite infrastructure.
RSZ-P4	Avoid land use and development in the Settlement zone that results in reverse sensitivity effects either within the zone or on activities adjacent zones.
RSZ-P5	Manage land use and subdivision to address the effects of the activity requiring resource consent, including (but not limited to) consideration of the following matters where relevant to the application <u>Consider the following matters where relevant when assessing and managing the effects of land use and subdivision in the Settlement Zone¹:</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. the scale, character and amenity of the settlement, in particular impacts on existing residential activities; b. siting and design; c. cultural and social well-being, including health and safety; d. potential reverse sensitivity effects both within the settlement and on adjacent zones; e. its location within or adjoining to the settlement; and f. the vitality and viability of nearby urban environments. g. the capacity of the site to cater for on-site infrastructure associated with the proposed activity; h. the adequacy of roading infrastructure to service the proposed activity; i. managing natural hazards; j. any adverse effects on areas with historic heritage and cultural values, natural features and landscapes, natural character or indigenous biodiversity values; and k. any historical, spiritual, or cultural association held by tangata whenua, with regard to the matters set out in Policy TW-P6.
Rules	

Notes:

1. There may be other rules in Part 2-District-wide Matters of the District Plan that apply to a proposed activity, in addition to the rules in this zone chapter. These District-wide rules may be more stringent than the other rules in this chapter. Ensure that relevant District-wide chapters are also referred to in addition to this chapter, to determine whether resource consent is required under other rules in the District Plan. Refer to the *how the plan works* chapter to determine the activity status of a proposed activity where resource consent is required under multiple rules.
2. This zone chapter does not contain rules relating to setback to waterbodies and MHWS for building and structures or setbacks to waterbodies and MHWS for earthworks and

¹ Consequential amendment, clause 10(2)(b), Schedule 1, RMA

indigenous vegetation clearance. The Natural Character chapter² contains rules for activities within wetland, lake and river margins and the Coastal Environment chapter contains rules for activities within the coastal environment. The Natural Character chapter and the Coastal Environment chapter ³ should be referred to in addition to this zone chapter.

3. The objectives and policies of the Mineral Extraction Zone should be considered in addition to the objectives and policies of the Settlement Zone for any consent application for a mineral extraction activity⁴.
4. None of the rules in the table below apply to activities that are regulated under the Resource Management (National Environmental Standards for Commercial Forestry) Regulations 2017⁵.

RSZ-R1	New buildings or structures, <u>relocated buildings⁶</u> or extensions or alterations to existing buildings or structures	
Settlement zone	Activity status: Permitted Where: PER-1 The new building or structure, <u>relocated building</u> or extension or alteration to an existing building or structure, will accommodate a permitted, <u>controlled or restricted discretionary⁷</u> activity.	Activity status where compliance not achieved with PER-2: Restricted Discretionary Matters of discretion are restricted to: a. the matters of discretion of any infringed standard
	PER-2 The new building or structure, <u>relocated building</u> or extension or alteration to an existing building or structure complies with standards: RSZ S1 Maximum height; RSZ S2 Height in relation to boundary; RSZ S3 Setback (excluding from MHWS or wetland, lake and river margins); RSZ S4 Setback from MHWS; RSZ S5 Outdoor living space; RSZ S6 Outdoor Storage; and RSZ S7 Landscaping and screening; <u>RLZ-SX Sensitive activities setback from intensive indoor and outdoor primary production activities; and</u> <u>RLZ-SY Sensitive activities setback from buildings or structures used to house, milk or feed stock (excluding buildings or structures used for an intensive indoor or outdoor primary production activity).</u> ⁸	Activity status where compliance not achieved with PER-1: Discretionary

² Clause 16, Schedule 1, RMA amendment to insert missing word

³ Consequential amendment resulting from Coastal Environment section 42A report under clause 10(2)(b), Schedule 1, RMA

⁴ Consequential amendment resulting from Mineral Extraction section 42A report under clause 10(2)(b), Schedule 1, RMA

⁵ Consequential amendment resulting from Rural Wide Issues and RPROZ section 42A report under Clause 10(2)(b), Schedule 1, RMA

⁶ Heavy Haulage Assoc Inc (S482.005)

⁷ FNDC (S368.009)

⁸ Consequential amendment under clause 10(2)(b), Schedule 1, RMA resulting from the Rural Wide Issues and RPROZ report

RSZ-R2	Impermeable surface coverage	
Settlement zone	<p>Activity status: Permitted</p> <p>Where:</p> <p>PER-1 The impermeable surface coverage of any site is no more than 35% or 600m², which ever is the lesser.</p>	<p>Activity status where compliance not achieved with PER-1: Restricted Discretionary</p> <p>Matters of discretion are restricted to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> the extent to which landscaping or vegetation may reduce adverse effects of run-off, the effectiveness of the proposed method for controlling stormwater on site; the availability of land for disposal of effluent and stormwater on the site without adverse effects on adjoining waterbodies (including groundwater and aquifers) or on adjoining sites <u>or downstream sites</u>⁹; whether low impact design methods and use of green spaces can be used; any cumulative effects on total catchment impermeability; <u>and</u> natural hazard mitigation and site constraints; <u>and</u> <u>extent of potential adverse effects on cultural, spiritual, heritage and/or amenity values of any affected waterbodies.</u>¹⁰
RSZ-R3	Residential activity	
Settlement zone	<p>Activity status: Permitted</p> <p>Where:</p> <p>PER-1 The site area per residential unit is at least 3,000m².</p> <p>This rule does not apply to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a single residential unit located on a site less than 3,000m². <u>a minor residential unit constructed in accordance with rule RSZ-R10</u>¹¹. 	<p>Activity status where compliance not achieved with PER-1: Discretionary</p> <p>Where:</p> <p>DIS-1: The site area per residential unit is at least 1,500m².</p> <p>Activity status where compliance not achieved with DIS-1: Non-complying</p>
RSZ-R4	Visitor accommodation	

⁹ Consequential amendment under clause 10(2)(b), Schedule 1, RMA resulting from Puketotara Lodge (S481.003)

¹⁰ Consequential amendment under clause 10(2)(b), Schedule 1, RMA resulting from the Rural Wide Issues and RPROZ report

¹¹ FNDC (S368.083)

Settlement zone	<p>Activity status: Permitted</p> <p>Where:</p> <p>PER-1 The visitor accommodation is within a residential unit, accessory building or minor residential unit.</p> <p>PER-2 The occupancy does not exceed six guests per night.</p> <p>PER-3 The site does not share access with another site.</p>	<p>Activity status where compliance with not achieved with PER-1, PER-2 or PER-3: Restricted Discretionary</p> <p>Matters of discretion are restricted to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> the number of visitors accommodated; the location and design of buildings, outdoor areas, parking and loading areas and access; hours of operation; noise, disturbance and loss of privacy of adjacent sites; screening and landscaping; wastewater¹² treatment and disposal; water supply for drinking and firefighting; and stormwater disposal.
RSZ-R5	Home business	
Settlement zone	<p>Activity status: Permitted</p> <p>Where:</p> <p>PER-1 The home business is undertaken within: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a residential unit; or an accessory building that does not exceed 40m² GFA; or a minor residential unit. </p> <p>PER-2 There is no more than one full-time equivalent person engaged in the home business who resides off-site.</p> <p>PER-3 All manufacturing, altering, repairing, dismantling or processing of any materials or articles associated with an activity is carried out within a building.</p> <p>PER-4 <u>Hours when a business can be open to the public of operation</u>¹³ are between: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 7am-8pm Monday to Friday. 8am-8pm Weekends and public holidays. </p>	<p>Activity status where compliance not achieved with PER-1, PER-2, PER-3 and PER-4: Discretionary</p> <p>Activity status where compliance not achieved with PER-5: Non complying</p>

¹² FNDC (S368.026)

¹³ John Andrew Riddell (S431.143)

	<p>PER-5 The activity does not involve an offensive trade.</p>	
RSZ-R6	Educational¹⁴ facility	
<p>Settlement zone</p>	<p>Activity status: Permitted</p> <p>Where:</p> <p>PER-1 The educational facility is within a residential unit, accessory building or minor residential unit.</p> <p>PER-2 The number of students attending at one time does not exceed four, excluding those who reside onsite.</p>	<p>Activity status where compliance not achieved with PER-1 or PER-2: <u>Restricted¹⁵ Discretionary</u></p> <p><u>Matters of discretion are restricted to:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. <u>the character and appearance of the building(s)</u> b. <u>the siting of the building(s), decks and outdoor areas including parking relative to adjoining sites;</u> c. <u>whether the building(s) are visually dominant and create a loss of privacy for surrounding residential units and their associated outdoor areas;</u> d. <u>ability of the supporting roading network to cater for the additional vehicular and if applicable cycling and pedestrian traffic;</u> e. <u>servicing requirements and any constraints of the site;</u> f. <u>whether the location of the building(s) and educational facility activity could create reverse sensitivity effects on adjacent and surrounding primary production activities;</u> g. <u>whether the layout of the development maintains the existing rural character of the surrounding area;</u> h. <u>any lighting or noise effects</u> i. <u>the frequency of the use, hours and days of operation and the number of people it can cater for; and</u> j. <u>any natural hazard affecting the site or surrounding area.</u>

¹⁴ Clause 16 amendment, Schedule 1, RMA

¹⁵ MOE (S331.078)

RSZ-R7		Grazing of animals except pig farming	
Settlement zone	<p>Activity status: Permitted</p> <p>Where:</p> <p>PER-1 The number of poultry does not exceed 12 per site, and there are no roosters.</p>	<p>Activity status where compliance not achieved with PER-1: Discretionary</p>	
RSZ-R8		Commercial activity	
Settlement zone	<p>Activity status: Permitted</p> <p>Where:</p> <p>PER-1 Any retail activity does not exceed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> GFA of 400m² if the site is located in the settlement of Moerewa; or GFA of 300m² in all other settlements. <p>PER-2 Any office activity does not exceed:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> GFA of 200m² if the site is located in the settlement of Moerewa; or GFA of 100m² in all other settlements. <p>PER-4 The activity complies with standards: RSZ S5 Outdoor storage; RSZ S6 Landscaping and screening.</p>	<p>Activity status where compliance not achieved with PER-4: Restricted Discretionary</p> <p>Matters of discretion are restricted to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> the matters of discretion of any infringed standard. 	<p>Activity status where compliance not achieved with PER-1 or PER-2: Discretionary</p>
RSZ-R9		Community facility	
Settlement zone	<p>Activity status: Permitted</p> <p>Where:</p> <p>PER-1 The combined buildings or structures do not exceed GFA of 300m² or a maximum increase of 10% of combined GFA if doing a¹⁶ additions or alterations to an existing community facility.</p> <p>PER-2 The activity complies with standards: RSZ-S5 Outdoor storage; RSZ-S6 Landscaping and screening.</p>	<p>Activity status where compliance not achieved with PER-2: Restricted Discretionary</p> <p>Matters of discretion are restricted to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> the matters of discretion of any infringed standard. 	<p>Activity status where compliance not achieved with PER-1: Discretionary</p>
RSZ-R10		Minor residential unit	
Settlement zone	<p>Activity status: Permitted</p>	<p>Activity status where compliance not achieved with PER-2 or PER-3:</p>	

¹⁶ Clause 16 amendment, Schedule 1, RMA to remove extra letter

	<p>Where:</p> <p>PER-1 The number of minor residential units on a site does not exceed one.</p> <p>PER-2 The minor residential unit shares vehicle access with the principal residential unit.</p> <p>PER-3 The separation distance between the minor residential unit and the principal residential unit does not exceed 15m.</p> <p>PER-4 The minor residential unit: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. does not exceed a GFA of 65m²; and 2. with an optional attached garage or carport that does not exceed GFA of 18m², where the garage or carport is used for vehicle storage, general storage and laundry facilities. </p>	<p>Discretionary</p> <p>Activity status where compliance not achieved with PER-1 or PER-4: Non complying</p>
RSZ-R11	Rural industry	
Settlement zone	Activity status: Discretionary	Activity status where compliance not achieved: Not applicable
RSZ-R12	Industrial activity	
Settlement zone	Activity status: Discretionary	Activity status where compliance not achieved: Not applicable
RSZ-R13	Activities not otherwise listed in this chapter	
Settlement zone	Activity status: Discretionary	Activity status where compliance not achieved: Not applicable
RSZ-R14	Mineral extraction activity	
Settlement zone	Activity status: Non Complying	Activity status where compliance not achieved: Not applicable
RSZ-R15	Offensive trade	
Settlement zone	Activity status: Non Complying	Activity status where compliance not achieved: Not applicable
RSZ-R16	Intensive indoor <u>and outdoor</u>¹⁷ primary production	
Settlement zone	Activity status: Non Complying	Activity status where compliance not achieved: Not applicable
Standards		

¹⁷ Consequential amendment, clause 10(2)(b), Schedule 1, RMA resulting from NZ Pork (S55.006 and S55.008)

RSZ-S1	Maximum height	
Settlement zone	<p>The maximum height of a building or structure, or extension or alteration to an existing building or structure is 8m above ground level.</p> <p>This standard does not apply to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. solar and water heating components provided these do not exceed the height by more than 0.5m on any elevation; ii. chimney structures not exceeding 1.2m in width and 1m in height on any elevation; iii. chimney structures not exceeding 1.2m in width and 1m in height on any elevation; or iv. architectural features (e.g. finials, spires) that do not exceed 1m in height on any elevation. <p>NOTE: <u>If a resource consent application is made for an infringement of RSZ-S1 and the proposed building or structure is greater than 40 metres in height and within 1,000 metres of the Waipapakauri transmitter at Spains Road, Awanui, Part Lot 4 DP 43276 or the Ōhaeawai transmitter at State Highway 12, Ōhaeawai Part Te Riu Block XII Omapere Survey District SO 43051, consultation will be required with Radio New Zealand to manage potential adverse electromagnetic coupling effects.¹⁸</u></p>	<p>Where the standard is not met, matters of discretion are restricted to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. the character and amenity of the surrounding area; b. dominance in relation to the road and adjoining sites; c. loss of privacy to adjoining sites, including potential loss in relation to vacant sites; d. shading and loss of access to sunlight to adjoining sites; e. landscaping; and f. natural hazard mitigation and site constraints.
RSZ-S2	Height in relation to boundary	
Settlement zone	<p>The building or structure, or extension or alteration to an existing building or structure must be contained within a building envelope defined by the following recession planes measured inwards from the respective boundary:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 55 degrees at 2m above ground level at the northern boundary of the site; 2. 45 degrees at 2m above ground level at the the¹⁹ eastern and western boundaries of the site; and 3. 35 degrees at 2m above ground level at the southern boundary of the site. <p>This standard does not apply to</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. solar and water heating components provided these do not exceed the height by more than 0.5m on any elevation; ii. chimney structures not exceeding 1.2m in 	<p>Where the standard is not met, matters of discretion are restricted to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. loss of privacy to adjoining sites, including potential loss in relation to vacant sites; b. shading and loss of access to sunlight to adjoining sites, including buildings and outdoor areas; and c. natural hazard mitigation and site constraints.

¹⁸ RNZ (S489.042)

¹⁹ Clause 16, Schedule 1, RMA amendment to remove duplicate word

	<p>width and 1m in height on any elevation;</p> <p>iii. satellite dishes and aerials that do not exceed 1m in height and/or diameter on any elevation;</p> <p>iv. architectural features (e.g. finials, spires) that do not exceed 1m in height on any elevation; or</p> <p>v. a building or structure that exceeds this standard for a maximum distance of 10m along any one boundary other than a road boundary, provided the maximum height of the building where it exceeds the standard is 2.7m.</p>	
RSZ-S3	Setback (excluding from MHWS or wetland, lake and river margins)	
Settlement zone	<p>The building or structure, or extension or alteration to an existing building or structure must be set back at least 1.2m from all site boundaries, except that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. the setback must be at least 3m measured from a road boundary; <u>and</u> 2. <u>for a boundary adjoining a rail corridor, the setback must be at least 3m from the KHR designation boundary²⁰.</u> <p>This standard does not apply to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. <u>fences or walls no more than 2m in height above ground level²¹; or</u> ii. uncovered decks less than 1m in height above ground level; or iii. underground wastewater infrastructure; or iv. water tanks less than 2.7m in height above ground level; or v. a building or structure exceeding this standard for a maximum distance of 10m along any one boundary other than a road or public boundary. 	<p>Where the standard is not met, matters of discretion are restricted to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. the character and amenity of the surrounding area; b. screening, planting and landscaping on the site; c. the design and siting of the building or structure with respect to privacy and shading; d. natural hazard mitigation and site constraints; e. the effectiveness of the proposed method for controlling stormwater; f. the safety and efficiency of the current or future access, egress on site and the roading network; and g. the impacts on existing and planned public walkways, reserves and esplanades; h. <u>The location and design of the building as it relates to the ability to safely use, access and maintain buildings without requiring access on, above or over the rail corridor; and</u> i. <u>The safe and efficient operation of the rail network²².</u>
RSZ-S4	Setback from MHWS²³	
Settlement	The building or structure, or extension or	Where the standard is not met,

²⁰ KiwiRail (S416.061)

²¹ Consequential amendment under clause 10(2)(b), Schedule 1, RMA

²² KiwiRail (S416.061)

²³ Consequential amendment resulting from Coastal Environment section 42A report under clause 10(2)(b), Schedule 1, RMA

zone - -	alteration to an existing building or structure must be set back at least 26m from MHWS	matters of discretion are restricted to: - a. the natural character of the coastal environment; b. screening, planting and landscaping on the site; c. the design and siting of the building or structure with respect to dominance on adjoining public space; d. natural hazard mitigation and site constraints; e. the effectiveness of the proposed method for controlling stormwater; and f. the impacts on existing and planned roads, public walkways, reserves and esplanades.
RSZ-S5 Outdoor living space		
Settlement zone	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Each residential unit or minor residential unit must have an exclusive outdoor living space: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. of at least 50m² at ground level with a minimum dimension of 5m; or ii. at least 8m² (with a minimum dimension of 2m) where the residential unit is not on the ground floor. 2. The outdoor living space must: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. be directly accessibly from a habitable room in the residential unit; ii. be free of buildings, storage, parking spaces and manoeuvring areas; and iii. be oriented to the north, east or west side (or a combination) of the residential unit. 	Where the standard is not met, matters of discretion are restricted to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. the provision of sufficient outdoor living space; b. the residential amenity for the occupants of the residential unit; c. accessibility and convenience for residents; d. alternative provision of outdoor living space, such as proximity to accessible public open space; e. the provision of adequate access to sunlight on the outdoor living space throughout the year; and f. topographical or other site constraints making compliance with the standard impractical.
RSZ-S6 Outdoor storage		
Settlement zone	Any outdoor storage areas, except for the display of goods for retail sale, must be fully screened by a solid fence or wall of a minimum height of 1.8m so that the area it is not visible from adjoining sites and public land. This standard does not apply to construction materials to be used on-site for a maximum period of 12 months.	Where the standard is not met, matters of discretion are restricted to: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. the streetscape and amenity of the surrounding area; b. the amenity of adjoining properties; including that on the outdoor living space; c. screening, planting and landscaping; d. topographical or other site

		<p>constraints making compliance with the standard impractical;</p> <p>e. the ability to mitigate any adverse visual effects of reduced, alternative or no screening through the use of alternative methods; and</p> <p>f. the design, layout and use of the site which may compensate for reduced, alternative or no screening.</p>
RSZ-S7	Landscaping and screening	
Settlement zone	<p>1. Where a site adjoins a <u>Rural Production Zone</u>, road boundary, at least 50% of that part of the site which is not occupied by buildings, structures or driveways <u>the shared boundary</u>²⁴ shall be screened or landscaped with either:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. a solid fence or wall of a minimum height of 1.8m; or ii. be landscaped with plants or trees with a minimum height of 1m at planting which will achieve a continuous screen of 1.8m in height and 1.5m in width within five years; or iii. be screened with a combination of (a) and (b) above. <p>2. Where an internal boundary adjoins any site that is not zoned Rural Production it shall be screened or landscaped with either:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. be fenced with a solid fence or wall of a minimum height of 1.8m; or ii. be landscaped with plants or trees of a minimum height of 1m at planting which will achieve a continuous screen of 1.8m in height and 1.5m in width within five years; or iii. be screened with a combination of (i) and (ii) above. 	<p>Where the standard is not met, matters of discretion are restricted to:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. the streetscape and amenity of the surrounding area; b. topographical or other site constraints making compliance with this standard impractical; c. the amenity of adjoining properties; including that on the outdoor living space; d. the scale of the building or structures and their distance from the boundary; e. the ability to mitigate any <u>potential reverse sensitivity effects resulting from adverse visual effects</u> of reduced, alternative or no screening through the use of alternative methods; and f. the design, layout and use of the site which may compensate for reduced, alternative or no screening.
RSZ-SX	<u>Sensitive activities setback from intensive indoor and outdoor primary production activities</u> ²⁵	
Settlement Zone	<p><u>All buildings and structures used for new sensitive activities will be setback 300m from any hardstand areas, treatment systems, buildings housing animals and any other structures associated with an intensive indoor or outdoor primary production activity located on an adjoining site under separate ownership.</u></p>	<p><u>Where the standard is not met, matters of discretion are restricted to:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. <u>Potential reverse sensitivity effects and measures taken to mitigate these effects, such as landscaping or screening</u> b. <u>Whether there are alternative</u>

²⁴ Yvonne Sharp (S90.004) and others

²⁵ Consequential amendment under Clause 10(2)(b), Schedule 1, RMA resulting from NZ Pork (S55.031)

		<u>options for the location of the sensitive activity</u>
<u>RSZ-SY</u>	<u>Sensitive activities setback from buildings or structures used to house, milk or feed stock (excluding buildings or structures used for an intensive indoor or outdoor primary production activity)²⁶</u>	
<u>Settlement Zone</u>	<u>All buildings and structures used for new sensitive activities will be setback 100m from any buildings or structures used to house, milk or feed stock (excluding buildings or structures used for an intensive indoor or outdoor primary production activity) located on an adjoining site under separate ownership.</u>	<u>Where the standard is not met, matters of discretion are restricted to:</u> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. <u>Potential reverse sensitivity effects and measures taken to mitigate these effects, such as landscaping or screening</u> b. <u>Whether there are alternative options for the location of the sensitive activity</u>

²⁶ NRC (S359.019)