

Regional Soil Plan Policies relating to sustainable land management	
Policy 6.1	To promote land management practices that recognise the inherent susceptibility of some landforms to erosion.
Policy 6.2	When considering land use activities which have the potential for irreversible effects on soils, to have regard to locating those activities, where practicable, on soils of low versatility.
Policy 6.3	To encourage the implementation of planned soil conservation initiatives on a whole catchment, sub-catchment or single property basis.
Policy 6.4	To encourage users of soil resources to adopt an ethic of stewardship for future generations.
Policy 6.5	To promote and facilitate the adoption of sustainable land management practices
Policy 6.6	To provide for research and monitoring which will assist the Council to further its sustainable land management objectives
Policy 6.7	To have particular regard to the National Sustainable Land Management Strategy and further develop this for the Wellington Region
Policy 6.8	To work with other relevant agencies and groups in order to determine roles and responsibilities for promoting and achieving a co-ordinated approach to sustainable land management
Policy 6.9	To recognise that land managers and owners have the prime responsibility for achieving sustainable land management in the Wellington Region
Policy 6.10	To recognise that voluntary action by land users is the preferred approach to achieving a change in unsustainable land management practices
Policy 6.11	To recognise that information and support services will be required to achieve voluntary change in unsustainable land management practices

Regional Soil Plan policies relating to sustainable land management cont.
<p>Policy 6.13 To avoid, remedy or mitigate the adverse effects of vegetation disturbance by promoting:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • the maintenance and enhancement of vegetation in erosion prone areas; and/or • the conversion of erosion prone areas to forestry or soil conservation woodlots, or regeneration or active restoration to native bush; and/or • riparian management, including where this will help safeguard the life-supporting capacity of aquatic ecosystems; and/or • compliance with industry recognised standards and procedures such as the Logging Industry Research Organisation’s (LIRO) “Forest Code of Practice” (second Edition, 1993); and/or <p>the maintenance and retention of erosion control plantings</p>
<p>Policy 6.15 To ensure that recognised erosion control and land rehabilitation techniques are adopted to avoid, remedy or mitigate any adverse effects resulting from soil disturbance activities. ,</p>

Regional Soil Plan methods relating to sustainable land management
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<p>Method 8.1: Co-ordinate and initiate the development of sustainable land management guidelines for the Wellington Region . . .</p>
<p>Method 8 . j : Initiate discussions with relevant agencies and interest groups to determine roles and responsibilities for promoting and achieving a co-ordinated approach to sustainable land management . . .</p>
<p>Method 8.c: Investigate, with Tangata Whenua, methods of identifying, recording, and protecting sites of significance to Tangata Whenua.</p>
<p>Method 8.d: Develop and promote the use of a decision support framework for versatile soils to assist territorial authorities in land use planning and in the consideration of resource consents . . .</p>
<p>Method 8.2: Implement a publicity and education programme to increase community understanding and commitment to the ethic of sustainable land management . . .</p>
<p>Method 8.6: Promote sustainable land management programmes to raise community awareness, such as the Decision Support Package.</p>