

Regional Policy Statement and Discharges to Land Plan

The Wellington Regional Policy Statement (PRS) and some of our regional plans already support and allow for a greater role to be undertaken in waste minimisation and cleaner production.

Policies 1, 2 & 3 of Waste Chapter of the RPS support an integrated approach for waste management (involving local councils and the Regional Council) and a co-ordinating role by the Council for the Region. Section 13.5 of the RPS provides the methods for implementing the waste management policies and for minimising the amount of waste for disposal as follows:

Our regional plans also support waste minimisation, in particular the Discharge to Land Plan that contains the following non-regulatory methods relating to waste minimisation:

The Wellington Regional Council will:

- 6.1.1 *Undertake energy and waste management audits of its total operations with a view to applying the principles of waste minimisation and cleaner production throughout the organisation.*
- 6.1.2 *Advocate waste minimisation and cleaner production policies at all appropriate opportunities, and particularly to the industrial, commercial, production and local authority sectors of the Region.*
- 6.1.3 *Liaise with the Cleaner Production Association and other groups engaged in cleaner production activities.*
- 6.1.4 *Support cleaner production demonstration projects in the Region, as appropriate.*
- 6.1.5 *Liaise with central government on the development of waste management policies and strategies which are more effectively co-ordinated at a national level.*