

# RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT REFRESHER COURSE

Online training, 12-15 September 2023

This is an online course (4 half days) for statutory officers and other relevant public health personnel undertaking activities in public health aspects of resource management to enable them to effectively submit on RMA processes, attend hearings and the Environment Court, and undertake other activities so they can improve, promote and protect public health using the Resource Management Act 1991, the Local Government Act 2002 and the Environmental Health Protection Manual. **This course would suit officers with some experience in RMA processes.**

**Attendees should have attended a Council or Environment Court resource consent hearing within the last year if possible.**

## **AT THE CONCLUSION OF THE COURSE GRADUATES WILL HAVE AN APPRECIATION AND UNDERSTANDING OF:**

- RM Reforms - likely changes and how they may affect PHU activities
- Influencing plan and policy development and the consent process under the RMA
- Managing public health outcomes through resource management
- Urban Development and Planning – origins and relationship to health and wellbeing
- RMA and LGA planning - Commissioner and Planner's perspectives
- Writing submissions, the key elements and use of templates
- How to access Analysis and Advice Services, including the opportunities and limitations
- Air Quality and the RMA
- How Expert Witnesses can support your case at RMA Hearings
- The Environment Court – what is expected and the processes for hearings

## **THE COURSE WILL INCLUDE BUT NOT BE LIMITED TO:**

- Resource Management Reforms
- Intro to Urban Development and Planning
- How to influence RMA and LGA decision-makers
- Engaging with territorial authorities
- Submissions on resource consents, district or regional plans – how to write proper submissions, the key elements

- Notice of Requirements and Designations
- Accessing Analysis and Advice Services from ESR
- Use of Expert Witnesses – e.g. air quality
- The Environment Court – preparing evidence, case management, pre hearing processes, rules of proceedings
- Case studies and syndicate work
- Regional Roundup reports

## **THE COURSE STRUCTURE WILL PROVIDE FOR:**

A mix of plenary sessions with syndicate group work. It will be an intensive, yet rewarding, learning experience designed to improve practical skills.

## **REGISTRATIONS:**

Spaces are available for four persons from Auckland, three each from Wellington and Canterbury, and two each from the other regions. Please refer to the invitation letter relating to this course.

## **REGISTER NOW BY:**

Completing a course registration form and forwarding it to the Administration Manager, Allison Graham, via:

- Post: SMS Training, P O Box 1364, Invercargill
- Ph: (03) 214 2375
- Email: [allison.graham@smsl.co.nz](mailto:allison.graham@smsl.co.nz)

**Registrations close on 11 August 2023.**

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