

## Chapter: SCHED11 - Schedule of Visual Amenity Landscapes

Feed-back No.	Section	Sub-section	Plan Provision	Feedback	Relief sought
6.1	SCHED11 – Schedule of Visual Amenity Landscapes	SCHED11 – Schedule of Visual Amenity Landscapes	VAL2 Four Peaks downlands The more modified hills and downlands along the Four Peaks Range provide an important sensory separation between the pl	<p>1 THE VAL 2 land identified along the Te Moana river and Griffiths Stream is probably the only land in that area is not in fact part of the visual amenity of Four Peaks</p> <p><i>This land fact visible from any direction without being above the ridgelines (or the 900m line )which have been used to define its boundaries it is in fact mostly a valley surrounded by high ridges</i></p> <p><i>the land which forms the visual foreground to Four Peaks is on the southern and eastern sides of this area</i></p> <p><i>we strongly suspect that this area has been identified solely because it adjoins a significant landscape area on the assumption that it must be part of the Four peaks foreground visual amenity ,i was amused when i had a meeting with Council officials at Geraldine library and i was assured that land that couldn't be seen could be part of the visual amenity,, at the time only the maps were available now that the plan is available it can clearly be seen that this land does not fit the criteria and is not in fact part of the area described in the schedules .</i></p> <p>2 it is quite bizarre to create visual amenity landscape out of an area which is substantially forestry , forests by their nature are harvested which changes the visual amenity ,and if replanted the change in the visual amenity continues for a considerable time as the trees grow</p> <p><i>planting new forests is not a permitted activity yet the forestry owner is required to replant by law or pay .. the imposition of this zone in this area effectively imposes a tax upon the owner</i></p> <p>3 the visual amenity of this area has been constantly changing over the whole of the time the europeans have been in nz . The change has not caused any harm and is part of a whole dynamic of change which makes landscape and creates interest . this area was originally native forest then cleared for timber or farmland ,some of it then more recently planted in forestry .</p> <p><i>The problems identified can be simplify resolved by removing theVAL2 designation from this land</i></p>	remove VAL2 from the land which is plantation forestry