## Te Awarua-o-Porirua Whaitua





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#### What the Committee must do:

- Set freshwater objectives and limits (for water takes and contaminants) in regional plans which:
  - Maintain or improve water quality
  - Meet national bottom lines
  - 90% 'swimmable' by 2040
  - Avoid over allocation
  - Reflect mana whenua values and interests





#### What do we know?









#### **Stressors**

- Sediment
- Pathogens and contaminants
- Wastewater and Stormwater pollution





## Escherichia coliform (E. coli)

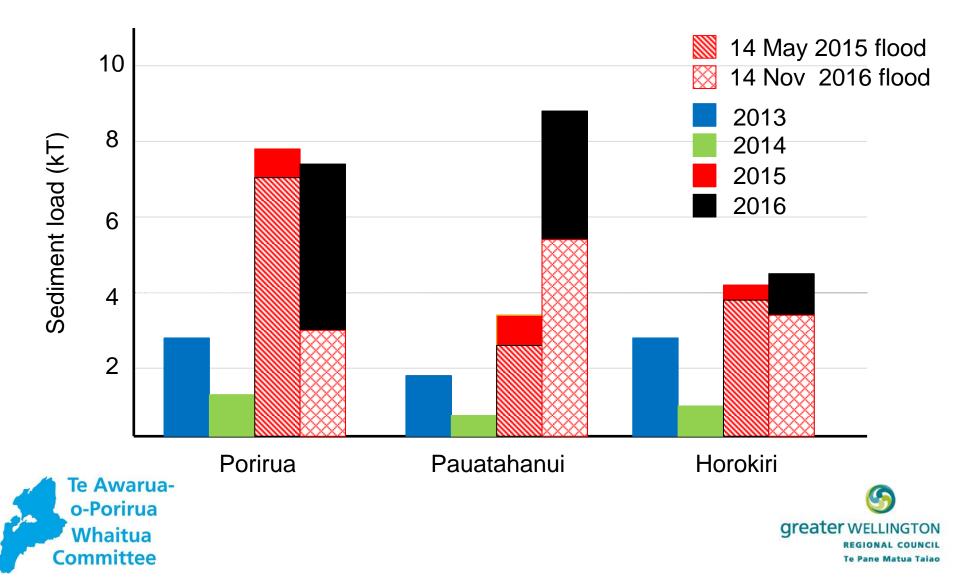
- 20+ streams and associated tributaries
- Harbour
- Localised hotspots

#### In the RED





## **Catchment sediment loads**



## **Freshwater objectives**

We are looking to REDUCE

- E. coli levels everywhere
- Sediment and muddiness
- At least MAINTAIN
  - Current nutrient loads

#### To meet our communities values...





## So what needs to change?

- Reduce contaminants at source
- Improvements to infrastructure
- Slow water down





# Understanding the relationship between the land & water

- •What changes in practice need to be encouraged and who is best placed to bring that change?
- •What needs to be regulated?
- •What non-regulatory practices will help?
- What does our community think of these changes?





# You can help us by...

- Talking to us about practical solutions
- Sharing your knowledge about water quality
- Your presence here is really appreciated



