

7.0 ANTICIPATED ENVIRONMENTAL RESULTS

The results anticipated through the implementation of this Plan are:

The maintenance and enhancement of water quality in water bodies and coastal waters, at a level which:

- ensures the life supporting capacity of water and ecosystems; and
- ensures the use and enjoyment by people and communities.

These results are to be achieved by:

- (1) ensuring that discharges to surface water are only allowed where adverse effects will be adequately avoided, or mitigated;
- (2) ensuring that the application rates of washwater (especially the nitrate component onto land) are limited to avoid, or mitigate any adverse effects on groundwater quality;
- (3) requiring that washwater discharges are not located in areas of special value for tangata whenua, or sensitive receiving waters where they are likely to cause adverse effects; and
- (4) requiring particular regard to be had to avoiding, remedying or mitigating adverse effects in areas that have been identified as having special values in the *Proposed Auckland Regional Policy Statement*.