



Sustainable Farm Project



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This project aims to reduce the environmental footprint of farming systems and thereby improve the health and wellbeing of the Waikato River.

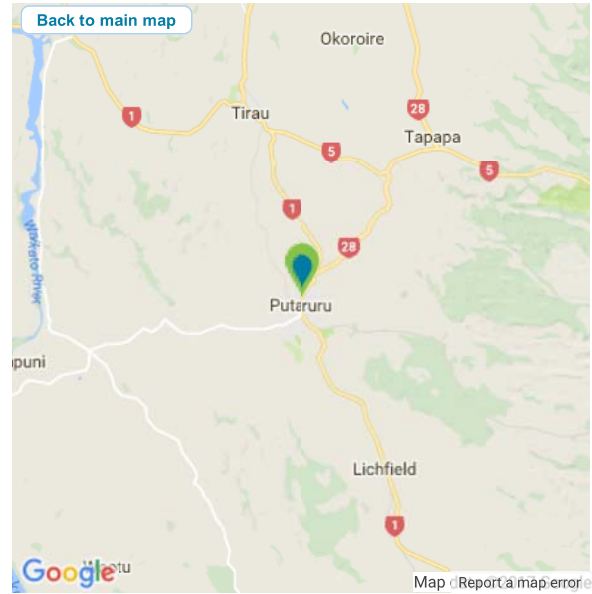
Dairying in the Upper Waikato catchment is a major contributor of nutrients to the Waikato River, with up to 70% of the nitrogen input to the river attributed to dairying.

With greater publicity on the impact of land use activities on water quality and with a greater policy emphasis on the regulation of land use activities, land owners will have to consider other management options, including low nutrient farming systems.

The aim of this project is to contribute towards the protection and restoration of the health and wellbeing of the Waikato River by demonstrating a measurable reduction in the farming footprint of the Te Raparahi Lands Trust.

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