

PROPOSED WAIKATO REGIONAL PLAN CHANGE 1 WAIKATO AND WAIPĀ RIVER CATCHMENTS



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Waikato Regional Plan Change 1 – Waikato and
Waipā River Catchments.

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We need to receive your submission by 5pm, 8 March 2017.

YOUR NAME AND CONTACT DETAILS

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TRADE COMPETITION AND ADVERSE EFFECTS (select appropriate)

- I could / could not gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission.
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- adversely effects the environment, and
 - does not relate to the trade competition or the effects of trade competition.

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General comments

We farm just south of Tokoroa, South Waikato milking 440 cow on 140Ha (effective). We milk all year round operating a system 5 and milk in a 40-bail rotary shed.

We were involved in the Sustainable Milk Plan(SMP)project and over the past two years have continued to review the SMP, focussing on our achievements, reviewing our goals and objectives. The drop in the dairy pay-out delayed our new effluent management system, however that is currently underway.

Whilst we have had stock exclusion for over ten years on our farm, over the past two years we have reviewed our commitment to quality stream care with extra fencing and \$7,500 (2014/15) \$5,000 (2015/16) towards riparian and set back planting along our 1.2km boundary along the Matarawa Stream.

Our commitment through our farming business has always included a community, educational and social component, with strong involvement & commitment in Te Waihou Walkway and the Waikato River Trail Project as an example.

We have always farmed as best we are able, with a strong drive for breeding quality stock and farming for the best return with respect to the land and surrounding environment and believe in part this plan will protect what we already have.

We do believe:

- that many farmers do have the best intentions in their day to day operation and management and will have a positive attitude to working towards a better environment.
- that many farmers believe that all those contributing to contaminant discharges be required to take action along a similar path whether they are dairying, other agriculture, horticulture, forestry, industry or urban.

SUBMISSION POINTS: Specific comments

Reference (e.g. Policy, or Rule number)	Support or Oppose	Decision sought Say what changes to Plan Change 1 you would like	Give Reasons
Schedule A: Registration with Waikato Regional Council	Support subject to amendments	Review timelines Set up monitor and focus farms in the Priority 1 areas (a fair geographical spread)	Are the timelines fair and achievable to ensure that Priority 1 area will have enough certified persons to assist with FEP development and processing. Information gathering, educational tool for other Priority 1 members. Will also assist with information gathering & data for future reviews.
Rule 7 Policy 6/16	Support subject to amendments	Amend Rule 7 Policy 6/17 to ensure consents are required for all land use including iwi ancestral land	The three Rivers Act established the Vision and Strategy for the Waikato River/Te Ture Whaimana o Te Awa o Waikato, this document defines strategies to achieve and by keeping a consent requirement in PC1 for all parties for any land use change means there is a level playing field for all and stop checks in the process.
Schedule B: Nitrogen Reference point	Support subject to amendments	Amend Schedule B as requested by Dairy NZ.	Have concerns over the reliance on Overseer. Would like clarification on how changes and updates will be managed. What opportunities may arise through other Industry standards being developed, eg Fonterra, Dairy NZ.

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 I do not wish to speak at the hearing in support of my submissions.

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