Proposed Waikato Regional Plan Change 1 – Waikato and Waipa River Catchments.

Submission form on publicly notified – Proposed Waikato Regional Plan Change 1 – Waikato and Waipa River Catchments.

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I could not gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission.

I am not directly affected by an effect of the subject matter of the submission that:

(a) adversely effects the environment, and

(b) does not relate to the trade competition or the effects of trade competition.

Delete entire paragraph if you could not gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission.

Objective 1: Support with amendments. Amend PC1 to include all sources influencing the health and wellbeing of the Waikato River and its catchments, for example Koi Carp, Point source discharges, and hydrodams. Remove flood/high flow conditions from water quality target data

Objective 3: Support with amendment. Amend rules in PC1 to remove NRP.

Adopt a sub-catchment management approach to ensure collaborative and fair management of resources within each sub-catchment

Policy 1: Support with amendments. Support stock exclusions, however only where it is practical to do so, and is relative to water quality benefit gains.

Oppose mandatory fencing in areas where slopes are over 15 degrees. This requirement is unjustified, does not align with proposed amendments to the NPS-FM, and is financially unsustainable for the majority. It is considered that the increased erosion risk and sediment loading in waterbodies from constructing fences over 15 degrees.

Policy 2: Support with amendment. Oppose a NRP because there should not an uncertain, estimated number that governs land management based upon nitrogen only. My FEP will provide transparency and confidence to Waikato regional Council, and the wider community, that my property is reducing, or maintaining where applicable, its diffuse discharges relative to all four contaminants.

Policy 6: Oppose. Oppose restricting land use change based on the type of land use, as it is a blunt tool. This Policy, and related rule (3.11.5.7), will inhibit growth and innovation within the Waikato region, and nationally because I'm unable to adapt to market demands/changes. Land use flexibility is key to running sustainable business operations.

3.11.5.2. Support with amendments. Amend rules in PC1 to remove NRP.

Address contaminants on a sub-catchment basis, to enable targeting of the highest omitting sub-catchment.

3.11.5.4. Support stock exclusion, however only where it is practical to do so, and is relative to water quality benefit gains.

3.11.5.7. Oppose. Oppose non-complying activity status because:

- Unaffordable to land owners wanting to increase their land area, rather than intensify.
- Eventually end up costing the consumer due to limited food availability
- Limits flexibility, therefore growth innovation and reduces land value.
- Jeopardises my business, family and community success and growth
- Transfers wealth based on high emissions and/or high NRP i.e. a dairy farm with high NRP will have a higher land value compared to a dairy farm with a low NRP
- Removes, to a degree, property rights.

Support the above	provision	with	amendments
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Refer to above.

Accept the above provision

Accept the above provision with amendments as outlined below

Decline the above provision

If not declined, then amend the above provision as outlined below

Amend as follows: Amend as stated above

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

If others make a similar submission, please tick this box if you will consider presenting a joint case with them at the hearing.

	No, I have not attached extra sheets.			
Signature Brian Lees	Date 2/3/2017			
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Additional sheet to assist in making a submission

Section number of the Plan Change	Support /Oppose	Submission	Decision sought
Please refer to title and page numbers used in the plan change document	Indicate whether you support or oppose the provision.	State in summary the nature of your submission and the reasons for it.	State clearly the decision and/or suggested changes you want Council to make on the provision.