

## KEY ISSUES FOR SHEEP AND BEEF FARMERS

Waikato Regional Council is currently consulting on its proposed Waikato Regional Plan Change 1. The Council is seeking submissions on the proposed plan until **5pm 8 March 2017**. This template has been created to help you get involved.

### Get involved

It is critical that you get involved in the process directly. The plan and its implementation will influence how you manage your land, so it is important that you understand what is being proposed and that you have your say.

- For more information on the proposed Waikato Regional Plan Change 1 visit:  
<http://www.waikatoregion.govt.nz/Council/Policy-and-plans/Plans-under-development/Healthy-Rivers---Plan-for-Change/>
- Review B+LNZs one page summary and full brief of the key issues by visiting the Beef + Lamb New Zealand Website:  
<http://www.beeflambnz.com/news-events/News/2016/october/healthy-rivers/>
- Download a copy of the proposed Waikato Regional Plan Change 1 at:  
<http://www.waikatoregion.govt.nz/PageFiles/46657/PlanChange1.pdf>
- Attend a B+LNZ Farmer Submission Workshop near you in November, visit the Beef + Lamb New Zealand Website for the schedule:  
<http://www.beeflambnz.com/news-events/News/2016/october/healthy-rivers/>
- Provide feedback to the council online at:  
<http://www.waikatoregion.govt.nz/Council/Policy-and-plans/Plans-under-development/Healthy-Rivers---Plan-for-Change/Plan-change-1-have-your-say/>
- Provide your feedback to the council via email: [healthyrivers@waikatoregion.govt.nz](mailto:healthyrivers@waikatoregion.govt.nz)

Share your thoughts or get help with your submission by contacting Environment Policy Manager Corina Jordan: [corina.jordan@beeflambnz.com](mailto:corina.jordan@beeflambnz.com), mobile 027 202 7337.

#### Instructions for using this template:

- Make sure you complete the covering sheet on the first page of the submission form.
- Delete or add table rows as required – you can say as much or as little as you like, you're not limited to commenting on just the Plan sections included in the template.
- You must either support or oppose a part of the plan and ask for the council to make a decision on your submission point
- Wherever possible, try to back up your statements with examples from your own experiences, and/or cost implications on your farm business.
- **Your feedback must be lodged with Waikato Regional Council by 5pm on Wednesday 8 March 2017.**



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Please consider forwarding a copy of your submission to B+LNZ so we can echo your comments in our submission

We've been farming Sheep & Beef in the medium to steep hill country of Waitomo Caves since 1979: We are a sheep & beef breeding and finishing farm: The farm 870 HA (In which 1/3 is Native Bush Reserve, and Q&E trust).

Last year (2016) we won the Balance Farm Environment Awards: Beef & Lamb N.Z. Livestock Award: The Judges comments were...

- A) "Well balanced farming system demonstrating how a farm can be profitable whilst still remaining environmentally sustainable".
- B) "Overall a very impressive business and farming environment; a real role model of future high country farms".
- C) A farming system that demonstrates getting the balance between economic, production and the environment right.

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**Submission Form**

Submission on a publically notified proposed Regional Plan prepared under the Resource Management Act 1991.

**On:** The Waikato Regional Councils proposed Waikato Regional Plan Change 1 - Waikato and Waipa River Catchments

**To:** Waikato Regional Council  
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Private bag 3038  
Waikato Mail Center  
HAMILTON 3240

Complete the following

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**Postcode:** 3988

**Email:** w.c. claytongreene@hotmail.com

I am not a trade competitor for the purposes of the submission but the proposed plan has a direct impact on my ability to farm. If changes sought in the plan are adopted they may impact on others but I am not in direct trade competition with them.

**I wish to be heard in support of this submission.**

W.B. Clayton-Greene  
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**Signature** **date**



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<p>The specific provisions my submission relates to are:</p> <p>State specifically what Objective, Policy, Rule, map, glossary, or issue you are referring to.</p>	<p>My submission is that: <i>we oppose this provision.</i></p> <p>State:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• whether you support, or oppose each provision listed in column 1;</li> <li>• brief reasons for your views.</li> </ul>	<p>The decision I would like the Waikato Regional Council to make is:</p> <p>Give:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• precise details of the outcomes you would like to see for each provision. The more specific you can be the easier it will be for the Council to understand the outcome you seek</li> </ul>
<p>Provision <i>Policy 6</i>  <i>Restricting land use change.</i></p>	<p>I <del>support</del>/<u>oppose</u> and for each whether or not you wish to amend</p> <p>The reasons for this are: <i>It could stop improvement of farm systems; flexibility; progress; and cause land values to drop.</i></p>	<p>I seek that the provision is: <del>Deleted in its entirety/ Retained as proposed/</del> <u>amended as set out below</u></p> <p>As an alternative I propose <i>Provide flexibility based farm by farm on each property merits rather than using a blanket rule over <u>All</u> Farm over the entire catchment.</i></p>

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<p>Policy 2 Policy 7</p> <p>nitrogen management A Grandparenting Approach</p> <p>Delete the requirement for a farm to have to manage + not exceed the Nitrogen reference point.</p>	<p>The reasons for this are: This is unfair...</p> <p>Targets Non polluters</p> <p>It inhibits your ability to changes in markets and farm systems: It affects the value of your land: And keeps hill country farms "In the Stone Age"</p> <p>We are happy to fix a problem if we are the cause of the problem!! We object to being expected to fix a problem we didn't create...</p>	<p>As an alternative I propose</p> <p>Each farm needs to be judged on its land type; Stocking rate; nitrogen fert. used; Best practice; <u>NOT</u> A blanket approach...</p> <p>Robust water testing needs to be done on those of us who are at the headwater; not "Down stream".</p>

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<p>Provision Schedule C- "Stock Exclusion" Poukawa</p> <p>Delete the requirement to exclude cattle on Hill Country from all permanently flowing Streams.</p>	<p>I support/oppose and for each whether or not you wish to amend</p> <p>The reasons for this are: This will have a huge impact on our farm in a vegetative way: Practically it will be much harder to operate with these new fences everywhere. Storms will take the fences out; Practically putting fences in these places will be an environmental eye sore on a beautiful landscape. Controlling weeds behind these fences will be a huge job. The cost of fencing all our water ways will be HUGE!! Not to mention trying to put a water system into back country hills where there is no power and poor access due to rugged terrain.</p>	<p>I seek that the provision is: Deleted in its entirety/ Retained as proposed/ amended as set out below</p> <p>As an alternative I propose</p> <p>Because we have small cattle mobs sizes (30-40) Beef cattle: Our farm has a lot of shade, so cattle don't stand in the water on hot days: we keep cattle moving so they aren't kept in paddocks to long!</p> <p>Each farm needs to be looked at individually. All our streams are drinkable - (we drink from them). If you want to improve water quantity maybe you should look at the Carp problem and the Storm water from towns: And Intensive Farming practices</p>
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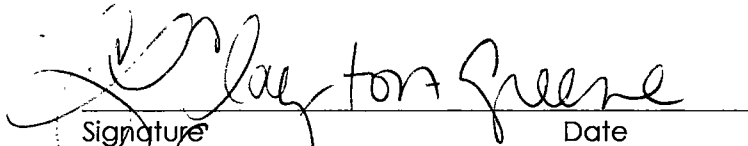
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Yours sincerely

Cindy Clayton-Greene  
Warren Clayton-Greene

  
Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_  
W.B. Clayton-Greene

In Summary:  
Why would you focus on the  
least polluters: Priority 1 Area:  
Which will have the least affect  
on water improvement: When  
more science needs to be done  
down stream where the polluters  
are.