

Submission to Plan Change 1.

WRC

Before any detail of PC1 can be considered the objective to be achieved must first be agreed.

The "aspirational" objective to restore the Waikato rivers to prehistoric pristine purity over eighty years is simply not achievable in a productive pastoral – animal environment.

With our Goldilocks temperate maritime southern hemisphere climate we are blessed with land that makes us the most efficient pastoral protein producers on earth.

It is a clean and green environment where a realistic objective must be agreed on.

If you don't know where you are going you don't know how to get there and you won't know when you have arrived.

When science based levels of water quality have been agreed on that are achievable without compromising the wealth of the Waikato pastoral based economy they should be implemented.

Fertiliser limits will be introduced that will vary with soil type and possibly where you are in the catchment.

The so called "grandparenting" concept is unscientific and will not be an option.

Control of land use by bureaucrats will be less efficient than allowing farmers to take options that stay within fertiliser maxims for their class of land.

Steps to be taken immediately are to commercialize koi carp harvesting and control of Canada geese numbers.

Politically farming is in a very weak position and they need strong representation on regional council to promote sensible decision making.

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I wish present my submission in person  
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