

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. | |

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TRADE COMPETITION AND ADVERSE EFFECTS (select appropriate)

- I could / could not gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission.
- I am / am not directly affected by an effect of the subject matter of the submission that:
- (a) adversely affects 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.

THE SPECIFIC PROVISIONS OF PROPOSED PLAN CHANGE 1 THAT MY SUBMISSION RELATES TO

Please state the provision, map or page number e.g. Objective 4 or Rule 3.11.5.1 (Continue on separate sheet(s) if necessary).

I support the plan change in principle, but submit that changes to a number of the provisions are needed to achieve better outcomes for the Waikato Region, its people, economy and environmental wellbeing.

I SUPPORT OR OPPOSE THE ABOVE PROVISION/S

(Select as appropriate and continue on separate sheet(s) if necessary).

- Support the above provisions
- Support the above provision with amendments
- Oppose the above provisions

MY SUBMISSION IS THAT

Tell us the reasons why you support or oppose or wish to have the specific provisions amended. (Please continue on separate sheet(s) if necessary).

I submit as a 5th generation resident, ratepayer and farmer of the Waikato region.

On flat and near flat land, the aspects relating to the definition of a waterway (particularly drains), the requirement for setback, and restrictions on use, need to be revisited and the consequences reviewed. In many cases similar or improved results could be achieved without arbitrary regulations being imposed. - See separate sheet for detail.

Requiring waterways to be swimmable 365 days of the year is impractical. The nature of rainfall events and "flushing" even from native bush areas make reaching those standards in the days following significant rainfall events, particularly after dry periods, impractical.

Measures impacting on all 4 water contaminants must be addressed in a comprehensive way to achieve a sensible and effective outcomes for the plan change.

The partial withdrawal of the Plan Change is counterproductive to good process and jeopardizes the credibility of the process.

The process is already under question in the mind of many ratepayers with the Waikato Regional council Chair using a casting vote to pass the process to its' next stage.

I SEEK THE FOLLOWING DECISION BY COUNCIL

(Select as appropriate and continue on separate sheet(s) if necessary).

- Accept the above provision
- Accept the above provision with amendments as outlined
- Decline the above provision
- If not declined, then amend the above provision as outlined

PLEASE INDICATE BY TICKING THE RELEVANT BOX WHETHER YOU WISH TO BE HEARD IN SUPPORT OF YOUR SUBMISSION

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

JOINT SUBMISSIONS

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

IF YOU HAVE USED EXTRA SHEETS FOR THIS SUBMISSION PLEASE ATTACH THEM TO THIS FORM AND INDICATE BELOW

- Yes, I have attached extra sheets. No, I have not attached extra sheets.

SIGNATURE OF SUBMITTER

Signature: Conall Buchanan - sent electronically Date: 3/3/2017

Personal information is used for the administration of the submission process and will be made public. All information collected will be held by Waikato Regional Council, with submitters having the right to access and correct personal information.

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ADDITIONAL SHEET TO ASSIST IN MAKING A SUBMISSION

Section number of the Plan Change: Page 51 & 52

Do you support or oppose the provision?

Support

Oppose

Submission

State in summary the nature of your submission and the reasons for it.

The aspects relating to the definition of a waterway on flat land and the requirement for setback need to be revisited and the consequences reviewed. In many cases, particularly on flat land, a similar or improved result could be achieved without arbitrary regulations being imposed. Of particular concern is the long term requirements for setback from drains (which can be classed as waterways) on flat or near flat land. Setback distances must be proven to provide measurable impact on water quality, and land use in close proximity to those drains should only be regulated where impact is shown. Farms in flat areas can have drains around 3 or 4 sides of their paddocks. Requiring non cultivation, non grazing and extending required setback distances would remove from production a significant portion of those farms. On flat land this may result in no real benefit to water quality. Sensible land use practices and stock exclusion will achieve the objectives without arbitrary regulatory requirements. Effective mitigation or prevention should be possible where practical.

Decision Sought

State clearly the decision and/or suggested changes you want Council to make on the provision.

Review and change land use restrictions close to waterways, particularly drains on flat or near flat land.

Remove the requirement for cultivation setback of 5 metres from drains on flat or near flat land (Page 51 & 52, Part A)

Section number of the Plan Change:

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Support

Oppose

Submission

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