

PROPOSED WAIKATO REGIONAL PLAN CHANGE 1 WAIKATO AND WAIPĀ RIVER CATCHMENTS



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

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SUBMISSIONS CAN BE

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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.
- I am / 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.

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).

Please refer to my submission attached where i have detailed my concerns

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 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:  Date: 8/3/2017

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David McDonald

Healthy Rivers Submission

I am a Dairy Goat Farmer,
I am very concerned about the environment.
I am in favour of improving the health of our waterways.

I wish to make a submission as it appears that there is an inequity in the way that Farmers who have tried to lessen the impacts on the environment already are treated against their counterparts who have carried on with a high nitrogen, high phosphate regime.

We have fenced off waterways even though our cattle do not come within 500 metres of our waterways. Our goats are housed ensuring that the urine is not leached into the waterways. Our dung from the barns is stored on an impermeable surface with the leaching and rain water off being pumped to our effluent pond.

We have operated a biological system since 2007 with almost nil urea and no chemical fertilisers. We have good effluent storage and spread the effluent onto the paddocks when the weather conditions are suitable to minimise nutrient losses.

We are preparing to start planting along our fenced waterways but have left the grass to grow rank in the meantime.

While many of the above have been initiated by us some have been requested by the Dairy Co-op who have encouraged us to achieve best practice. This appears to be a big disadvantage as we are being asked for the same proportionate level of improvement going forward as the farmer who has shown little regard for the environment and have considered profit only!!

A few years ago we spent significant amount of time with a fertiliser rep trying to use Overseer to give us a good model of our cut and carry system and we were unable to achieve this. We have kept checking to see if it has been improved so we can understand our impact on the environment but we have been advised that it is still no better and it is unlikely that this will be remedied within the next 12 months maybe more. If there is any other simple and efficient system that can provide us with an accurate assessment we are happy to uptake this.

Please consider a housed goat farm as a different farming system to others.

Regards

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