

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

Share your thoughts or get help with your submission by contacting Environment Policy Manager Corina Jordan: 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 HAVE BROUGHT OUR FAMILY UP IN HEAD WATERS OF OPITIA. WE FARMED IN THIS AREA FOR THE PAST 14 YRS
 - * WITH OUR MAIN FARMING GOALS HAVE BEEN TO FARM IN AN ENVIRONMENTALLY PROFITABLE + SUSTAINABLE MANNER.
 - * WE WISH THE NEXT GENERATION TO BE ABLE TO FARM ECONOMICALLY AND SUSTAINABLY IN THE FUTURE.
THE ABILITY TO CHANGE FARMING PATTERNS AND POLICYS TO SUIT CLIMATE + ECONOMIC CHANGES WITH OUT MAJOR REGIONAL COUNCIL RESTRICTIONS

- * "REMOVAL OF KOI CARP FROM THE OPITIA STREAM + THE GREATER WAIKATO TRIBUTARIES."
CAUSING MORE DAMAGE THAN ANY LIVESTOCK INFLUENCE.

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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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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.


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:</p> <p>State:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • whether you support, or oppose each provision listed in column 1; • brief reasons for your views. 	<p>The decision I would like the Waikato Regional Council to make is:</p> <p>Give:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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
<p>Provision OBJECTIVES 1 AND 3</p> <p>POLICY 5 & 7</p> <p>RULES 3 11.5.3,</p> <p>- 3 11.5 5.</p>	<p>I support/ oppose/ and for each whether or not you wish to amend</p> <p>The reasons for this are:</p> <p>OPPOSE.</p> <p>- WE HAVE BEEN GIVEN NO POSITIVE REASON TO INVEST CAPITAL</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>AMENDED.</p> <p>BACKED BY A WELL DEFINED MODEL THAT SHOWS HOW THE LAND & WATER WILL LOOK IN 70 YEARS TIME.</p>

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<p>STOCK EXCLUSION.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - RULE - 3.11.5.1. - 3.11.5.2. <p>PRIORITY - 3.11.5.4</p> <p>3</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 3.11.5.3 	<p>The reasons for this are:</p> <p>OPPOSE.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - VERY HIGH COST STRUCTURE. - THE TOTAL IMPRACTICALITY IN HILL COUNTRY FARMING SITUATIONS. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - FENCING FLOOD PLAINS OF IS VERY IMPRACTICAL. (DESTRUCTION OF FENCING IN FLOODS. - HOW DO COUNCIL PROPOSE TO MEASURE 25° SLOPE - TO FOLLOW THE NATIONAL RULES FOR WATERWAYS. (1MTR WIDE. 30CM DEPTH. 	<p>As an alternative I propose</p> <p>ACTIVE MANAGEMENT.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - LOOK AT THROUGH FARM ENVIRONMENT PLAN. - (CATTLE EXCLUSION FROM LARGER WATER BODIES, STREAMS & LAKES. - NOT SMALL WATERWAYS IN STEEPER OR IMPRACTICABLE COUNTRY. NOT ECONOMICALLY SUSTAINABLE. * SUBSIDISED WATER RETICULATION * NOT

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<p>NITROGEN REFERENCE POINTS</p> <p>OBJECTIVES. 1 & 4.</p> <p>POLICY. 2 & 7.</p> <p>RULES - 3.11.5.3.</p> <p>- 3.11.5.7.</p> <p>SCHEDULE 1.</p>	<p>The reasons for this are:</p> <p>OPPOSE.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - IT DOES SUPPORT. - BIG POLLUTERS ARE REWARDED FOR - OVERSEER DOES NOT FAIRLY ALLOCATE NITROGEN. THIS IS ESPECIALLY REMARKING ABOVE AVERAGE FARMERS. - - DON'T KNOW WHAT IT WILL LOOK LIKE IN 10 YEARS TIME. - NOT A LEVEL PLAYING FIELD. 	<p>As an alternative I propose</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - AN OPPORTUNITY TO USE EFFECTS BASED SYSTEMS. - DEAL THE ISSUES WITH IN YOUR FARM.

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<p>Provision Iwi given length time frames to act. (</p>	<p>I support/ oppose/ and for each whether or not you wish to amend</p> <p>The reasons for this are: oppose.</p> <p>RULES - ARE TO BE FAIR + EVEN. (NOT ONE RULE FOR IWI, AND A SEPARATE RULE FOR US AS INDIVIDUAL FARMERS.</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>
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LAND USE CHANGE.

<p>Provision Policy 16 3.11.5.7.</p>	<p>I support/oppose and for each whether or not you wish to amend</p> <p>The reasons for this are:</p> <p>How CAN A LAND USE CHANGE AFFECT WATER QUALITY. IF SOUND FARMING PRINCIPLES ARE USED. EG. BEEF FARMING TO HORTICULTURE. - KIWIFRUIT, OR AVOCADO. - THESE PLANTS (TREES) DO NOT AFFECT WATER QUALITY LIKE BEEF ANIMALS WOULD IF THEY HAD ACCESS TO WATERWAYS. EG. BEEF OR DAIRY TO FREE RANGE CHICKENS, OR LAYING SHEDS. " LESS EFFLUENT ON TO PASTURE, ON TO WATERWAYS.</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>LAND USE CHANGES SHOULD BE ALLOWED. TO ALLOW LAND OWNERS TO INCREASE PRODUCTION AND PROFIT PER HA. THE MAIN AIM OF THIS IS TO BE ABLE TO REPAY DEBT</p> <p>* IRRIGATION - TO GROWTH - IMPROVED CROPS. - HIGHER PASTURE YIELDS.</p> <p>* THE WHOLE WORKING COMMUNITY BENEFITS FROM INCREASED PRODUCTION & PROFIT.</p>
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<p>Provision FARM ENVIRONMENT PLAN.</p> <p>- POLICY 2.</p> <p>RULES: 3.11.5.3 3.11.5.7.</p> <p>SCHEDULES: 1.</p>	<p>I support/oppose and for each whether or not you wish to amend</p> <p>SUPPORT: The reasons for this are:</p> <p>FARM ENVIRONMENT PLANS ARE VERY EXPENSIVE.</p> <p>MANY OF PLAN RULES WILL BE UNATTAINABLE IN THE TIME FRAMES INVOLVED.</p> <p>- THERE IS A NEED FOR GREATER FLEXIBILITY.</p> <p>- NOT THE USE OF NITROGEN REFERENCE POINT.</p> <p>- IMPROVE - PRODUCTION & PROFIT ON NEW LOW PRODUCING FARMS.</p> <p>* YOUNG FARMERS RAMPING UP PROFIT & PRODUCTION ON RUN DOWN FARMS.</p> <p>- (AN UNFAIR CAP ON THESE YOUNG PRODUCERS.)</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>HIGHER REFERENCES FOR LAND INPUTS AT START. ESPECIALLY IN THE CASE OF LOW PRODUCING FARMS.</p> <p>* THIS WILL BENEFIT THE WHOLE COMMUNITY. MORE PROFIT SPENT SO ALL BENEFIT.</p>
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Yours sincerely

Signature

Date