

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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Date:

3/3/2017

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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 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

Thankyou for the opportunity to submit on the Waikato regionals proposed plan change 1.

My name is Hayden slack. My wife Ellisa and our 3 children are land owners and land users in catchment 3. We have been farming on our property for 8 years. My parents and grand parents have been farming this property since 1965.

We are dairy farmers milking 350 Ayrshire cows in Aka Aka with a stocking rate of 3.2 cows/ ha. The property has already undergone some major development in recent years with 2 herd homes being constructed , so we can stand cows off the pasture in wet weather to limit pasture damage and pugging.

These herd homes also help by reducing feed wastage and keeping cows cool during summer.

Also in the near future a 3 million litre effluent tank is to be installed.

Firstly I object to rule 3.11.5.3 which refers to a nitrogen reference point for our property. There should not be a number that controls my ability to manage my land in the best way I see fit. The grandparenting part of the plan will unfairly reward higher N users and disadvantage my business as we havn't being using a lot of N and back dating our number back for 2 seasons will not allow me to increase the amount of N that we use if I needed too. The 2014/2015 and the 2015/ 2016 financial years were when the payout was low and my farm inputs were lower and this is not a true representation of past land use.

With a low reference number the value of our property will surely drop.

I do support part of rule 3.11.5.3 . That stock should be excluded from water ways where practical. On our farm this has been the practise for overs 30 years now. I also support having a farm environment plan . But we need to be assured that their will be enough competent consultants available at a reasonable price.

I also object to the nitrogen reference point schedule B part g 1,2,3,4,6. I don't think that the council having stock numbers along with sale and purchase invoices , production data , invoices for fertilizer, invoices for feed supplements sold or purchased and what crops are grown on my land is any of their business.

I also object to rule 3.11.5.7 (non complying activity—land use change) and I have no support for it. Because it is going to be unaffordable for land owners wanting to increase their land area instead of intensifying their farming operation. It will also have an impact the value of properties as it will have limited flexibility. This rule will limit the amount of supplementary feed able to be grown on farm and then having to buy in any extra from a limited growing area will surely put the price up.

Arable cropping of an area of 4.1 ha or more as the rules state, will require a consent even to put a paddock from maize back into grass. To even grow maize to feed our cows and which is used as part of our grass rotation on our farm we will need a consent.

How much will these consents cost and how long will they last for ?

I also disagree with no grazing on land over 15 degrees. Surely animals can graze the land in spring , summer and autumn.

How will these slopes be measured?

What will happen to the land if it is not grazed? . All I can see happening is a lot of dead and dry grass waiting to catch fire in summer.

If we were to put the land back into forestry to reduce pollution then that is good.

But isn't forestry the second biggest source of pollution of the river when the wood is harvested.