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**Submission on:** Proposed Waikato Regional Plan Change 1: Waikato and Waipa River  
Catchments

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### **Background**

I own two dairy farms in priority 2 one of 700 and one of 420, they are stocked at about 3 cows to the hectre all drain have been fenced for 30 years as good farming practice,effluent is sprayed to land as fertilizer.The farms are run to allow farming for future generations

#### **1. Subject matter and provision in the Plan**

##### **Summary and reasons for this submission**

Overall I support the plan with one acception ,I don't agree with Hauraki catchment being put ohold for any reason. The plan should be done as one so the change should be put on hold.The plan is operating now so the only difference is all submission would be heard together and should there reduce over all cost.

I support the staged plan over time, as it gives science and stakeholders time to get our vision right.

I like the effects based plan.People can see effects both good and bad so are more collaborative with the process.

We need a refence point for contaminants and it should be allowed over the last 10 years not the 2.

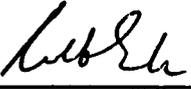
Concerned about the time and complexity for land sales, so Regional council will have to learn how to make quick decisions.

Tourism and Auckland should have to pay as they want the benefits.

Existing fencing needs to stay,that cost has already been met.

This plan has huge capital and skills requirements so regional areas will suffer please take that into account.

I do/~~do not~~ wish to speak at the hearing in support of my submissions

Signed: 

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