

# 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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FORM 5 Clause 6 of First Schedule, Resource Management Act 1991

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## SUBMISSIONS CAN BE

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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 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.

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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).

Rule 3.11.5.4 Rule 3.11.5.7 Schedule B Nitrogen reference point. Schedule 1 requirements for farm environments plans.

## 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 oppose rule 3.11.5.4 because of the time and financial burden it will place on our business, we are already struggling a lot with compliance issues and this will be just one more thing to consume time that we really don't have. Not if we want any kind of work life balance that is.

I oppose rule 3.11.5.7 as it basically cuts off at the knees plans we have had to develop land which we own at 1513 tutukau rd and 295 springs rd Reporoa. Both of these properties have significant potential to convert to dairy, with 295 springs rd being a former dairy farm. The implementation of rule 3.11.5.7 will wipe at least \$3000,000 off our equity.

Schedule B Nitrogen reference point.

I oppose this proposed ruling for the following reasons,

1: This essentially caps the production on our farms to present levels,

2: All down stream ag support industries, crop and grass research etc. aimed at lifting on farm production will basically be made redundant.

3: The system being proposed to allocate N leaching rights to individual farms is in it self naturally unjust.

The stakeholders group have basically taken the easy path of least resistance, and put the burden of N reduction on the shoulders of the people who up until now have been doing the right thing by the environment. To hold a person down to a level of production which is below the district average, to enable a high leaching farmer (the cause of the present problem) to go on polluting is naturally unjust and has the potential to cause real friction in our communities.

Schedule 1 Requirements for farm environment plans:

I oppose this rule because I have to be able to cultivate land above 15 degrees.

## 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:

*J. C. Martelli*

Date:

*4-3-2017*

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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**PLEASE CHECK** that you have provided all of the information requested and if you are having trouble filling out this form, phone Waikato Regional Council on 0800 800 401 for help.

## **SUBMISSION TO WAIKATO REGIONAL COUNCIL REGARDING HEALTHY RIVERS**

### **PLAN CHANGE 1**

We own and operate two dairy farms totalling 400 ha and two dry stock/dairy support farms totalling 730 ha, in the Reporoa area.

We support the effort being made by the Regional Council to maintain and gradually increase water quality over the next 80 years, as clean rivers and streams are as important to us as anyone in the community. We are however, adamant that the Council sticks to the 80 year target, as any lessening of the time span would have dire effects upon New Zealand's economy and standards of living. Anyone who claims to the contrary has not fully thought out the consequences.

We have as have most farmers, embarked on a programme of water way protection on our properties with fencing of flowing waterways and the creation of fenced and planted wild fowl pond areas.

We support the submissions made by Federated Farmers and Dairy NZ. We have specifically outlined in the submission form the Plan rules which most concern us and which we oppose.

Thank you



John and Jane Martelli