

Proposed Waikato Regional Plan Change 1 – Waikato and Waipa River Catchments.

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

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We need to receive your submission by 5pm, 8 March 2017.	

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PLEASE INDICATE WHETHER YOU WISH TO BE HEARD IN SUPPORT OF YOUR SUBMISSION
I wish to speak at the hearing in support of my submissions.

I could not gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission.

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OF

SUBMITTER

(or person authorised to sign on behalf of submitter)

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Signature



Date

5/03/17

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SUBMISSION POINTS: General comments

We own a 189.49 ha dairy support Farm (Section 7 Block II Marotiri Survey District)

We got a Waikato Regional Council Enviromental Programm Agreement 12809

Since 2014 we are working on a enviromental programme for our property. We fenced off all our waterways / wetlands and ponds and planted the fenced off areas with nativ plants. The project was and is supported by the Waikato River Authority, Waikato Catchment Ecological Enhancement Trust and the Waikato Rigional Council.

We are in full support of cleaning up our waterways.

Our main concern is

- a) that due to finances / health and personal circumstances we were not always fertilising and stocking our farm to its full potential. Therefore grandparenting could have a huge negative impact on our farming operation.
- b) We strongly belive that stocking rates and fertiliser usage should be decided on soil type / region / contour and climate and not fence lines and history of the farming operation.
- c) In general we would like to support the submissions from Federated Farmers NZ and Beef and Lamb NZ.

We support the submission that has been lodged by Federated Farmers. We are particularly concerned about the following aspects of Plan Change 1:

- The significant negative effect on rural communities
- The cost and practicality of the rules.
- The effect that the Nitrogen Reference Point will have on our business and our economic wellbeing.
- The costs and practicality of the rules and requirements for stock exclusion, the Nitrogen Reference Point and the Farm Environment Plan.
- The timeframes for complying with the Nitrogen Reference Point rules which are too short and unachievable
- The plan significantly exceeding the 10 year targets in many attributes and areas

We wish to be heard at the Hearing.



We are concerned about the implications all of this will have for our property and for our current activity as described above (and farming in general).

Regards

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