

**WAIKATO REGIONAL COUNCIL PROPOSED WAIKATO REGIONAL PLAN CHANGE 1 -
WAIKATO AND WAIPA RIVER CATCHMENTS**

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

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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.

If others make similar submissions, I would consider presenting a joint case with them at the hearing.

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Introduction

Thank you for the opportunity to submit on the Waikato Regional Councils proposed Plan Change 1.

We are Linda Koster & Anthony Birdsall, and we are sheep and beef farmers in the Ohaaki sub-catchment. My family has farmed this property for 54 years including the last 20 years being run by myself and Anthony. Our son David is now also heavily involved in the farm and does a cropping program grazing dairy cattle on 40 HA.

The property has had a lot of tree plantings done over the years, which we are still continuing.

Apart from a small dam on our back boundary, which is rarely flowing, we have no water ways on our property. This dam is permanently fenced off.

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The specific provisions of the proposal that this submission relates to and the decisions it seeks from Council are as detailed in the following table. The outcomes sought and the wording used is as a suggestion only, where a suggestion is proposed it is with the intention of 'or words to that effect'. The outcomes sought may require consequential changes to the plan, including Objectives, Policies, or other rules, or restructuring of the Plan, or parts thereof, to give effect to the relief sought

	SUPPORT / OPPOSE	REASON	RELIEF SOUGHTfARM MANAGEMENT PLAN
Farm Environment Plans Policy 2, Rule 3.11.5.3, 3.11.5.4, Schedule 1	Support with amendments	We oppose having to obtain resource consent particularly when our subcatchment proposal is to keep the contaminant levels the same as they are now.	Properties should only require resource consent if their farm environment plans show that improvements are needed to their discharges levels.

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Yours sincerely

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