

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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Online at	www.waikatoregion.govt.nz/healthyrivers
We need to receive your submission by 5pm, 8 March 2017.	

YOUR NAME AND CONTACT DETAILS

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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:
- adversely effects the environment, and
 - 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.

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).

The entire plan change but in particular, rules 3.11.5.3 and 3.11.5.4

The intent of the plan change, and

The flexibility of the proposed farm environmental plans, and

The threshold for stock unit before moving from a permitted activity to another activity level, and

Oppose the need for a resource consent should there be no approved 'beef & lamb' sector certified industry scheme - ie) another form of process other than a resource consent. Refer s10 RMA 1991.

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).

Specific details to follow.

Essentially I do not see enough flexibility in the proposed plan change to deal with the specific characteristics faced by individual farms.

Also the 'best practices' developed by us to enable us to continue farming on the flood plain of the Waipa must be incorporated within a regime that will prevail. I will provide photos and actual details of the learning arising post the 1998, 2004 and 2008 flood events affecting the Waipa catchment.

Without the flexibility of the best practices we have developed being permitted within the plan change then the Regional Council will have effectively made it impossible to continue farming on the flood plains of the Waipa.

Our family has farmed on the banks of the Waipa River for more than 100 years. In that time we have developed systems, following the fencing of every river, creek and lake on the property some 40 odd years ago. The first 60 odd years the family dairy farmed and cropped the property. During the past 40 years we have farmed beef cattle, the last 30 years being pedigree (stud) Polled Hereford cattle.

The plan does not sufficiently recognise what land owners, who have taken steps to mitigate their impact on the environment, have done and has failed to recognise and grandparent those land holders practices in the proposed plan change.

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: Noel Smith

Date: 07 March 2017

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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.

ADDITIONAL SHEET TO ASSIST IN MAKING A SUBMISSION

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