

**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.**

**Comment [j1]:** If this is a group submission everyone must include their details and sign the form, unless the group is a legal entity.

To help the council the group could give itself a name ie collectively referred to as the ..... group.

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3/3/17

Signature

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*Alan*

3-3-2017

Signature

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

### **Introduction**

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

Wairama Downs is farmed in partnership. The partners are Peter and Kirstin Fullerton-Smith and Mark Yearbury and Charlotte Foley. Mark and Charlotte live on the property. The farm was purchased 2 years ago in a very run down state, we intend to develop it into a viable sheep and cattle farm.

The property is 585 hectares, of mostly medium to steep hill country with minimal subdivision and mostly natural water.

The property is predominantly a store farm but with the potential to be a fattening unit. Stock numbers at this stage are 20+00 sheep and 500 head of cattle.

As this property was bought in a run down state we are now in a development stage of increasing inputs to gain production and reach optimal productivity. The fertiliser history on this farm was minimal to non-existent, which means fertiliser inputs now are higher to bring pasture quality back.

There is a 25 ha native block, which we are in the process of fencing 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.

The specific provisions my submission relates to are:	My submission is that:		The decision I would like the Waikato Regional Council to make is:
	SUPPORT / OPPOSE	REASON	RELIEF SOUGHT
<p><i>Provision</i></p> <p>42 rule 3.11.5.4 Nitrogen referencing point</p>	I oppose	<p>The reasons for this are:</p> <p>Because prior to our ownership there been little fertiliser on the farm historically and a very low stocking rate. The NRP of this farm would be so low as to make farming this block unviable.</p> <p><b><u>This property would NOT have been purchased had we known a plan like this could come into effect.</u></b></p>	<p>I seek that the provision is: Deleted in its entirety</p> <p>As an alternative I propose</p> <p><i>That the farm be allowed to be developed to reach its potential..THEN some sort or measurement system applied. Best is to classify farms into subcatchment groups by farm use.</i></p>
<p><i>Stock Exclusion policy</i></p> <p><i>Schedule C</i></p>	I oppose	<p>The reason:-</p> <p>This farm is extensively farmed with numerous waterways...most of which are less than 1 metre wide. To fence every stream would incur unrealistic costs.</p>	<p>I seek that this provision is deleted in it entirety.</p> <p>As an alternative form a subcatchment group to ascertain whether these waterways need fencing.</p> <p>Because of the varied nature of local farms perhaps individual FEPs are the</p>



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Yours sincerely

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✓ **Comment [j2]:** If a group. The final signature can be 'signed on behalf of the ... group'.

"SIGNED ON  
BEHALF OF  
PARTNERS"



3-3-2017

Signature

Date

