

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

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

*I am director of Shabor Ltd, a company farming operation set up by 2 friends. The objective of the company was to have enough scale so our children, who all have Ag. Degrees could come through a farm secession programme.*

*We farm on 2 properties, 1 at Whakamaru, 193ha. Deer velvet operation running approximately 1200 velvet stags, cutting over 5 ton of velvet for the Asian market (in sensitive 1 catchment) and the 2<sup>nd</sup> is at Oparau and outside the catchment at present. Oparau runs 5000 ewes, 80 cattle and 600 breeding hinds on the 982ha. property.*

*The success of the company relies on both properties being fully integrated.*

*When the development at Oparau started 3 years ago we invited the land care trust to help us with the environmental plan for the deer unit. <http://youtube/odY9ABfTrk4> -Developing a deer farm with best environmental practice. We also completed stage 2 Beef and Lamb LEP.*

*We privately conserve 200ha of Native bush.*

*This year with the help of the Waikato Regional Council we have signed a contract to fence off some significant streams which is the start of the protection of Aotea Harbour.*

*The uncertainty of which PC1 creates is having a detrimental effect on our children committing to coming through farm succession with us.*

*I am continually asked 'if I invest, will I have a viable business in 10 years '. I simply do not know. Has dry stock farming on Class 5 & 6 land got an economic future under vision and strategy of Healthy Rivers?*

*Stephen John Borland.*

*Director,  
Shabor Ltd.*

***I wish to speak at the submission process.***

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**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

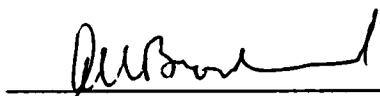
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I am not a trade competitor for the purposes of the submission but the proposed plan has a direct impact on my ability to farm. If changes sought in the plan are adopted they may impact on others but I am not in direct trade competition with them.

I wish to be heard in support of this submission.



**Signature**

8-3-17.

**date**

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| <p><b>The specific provisions my submission relates to are:</b></p> <p><b>State specifically what Objective, Policy, Rule, map, glossary, or issue you are referring to.</b></p> | <p><b>My submission is that:</b></p> <p><b>State:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>whether you support, or oppose each provision listed in column 1;</b></li> <li>• <b>brief reasons for your views.</b></li> </ul>  | <p><b>The decision I would like the Waikato Regional Council to make is:</b></p> <p><b>Give:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <b>precise details of the outcomes you would like to see for each provision. The more specific you can be the easier it will be for the Council to understand the outcome you seek</b></li> </ul> |
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| <p><b>Farm Environment Plans</b><br/><b>Provision 3.11.4.3</b></p>   | <p><b>I support Farm Environment Plan. Provision 3.11.4.3</b></p> <p>The reasons for this are:</p> <p>Having completed stage 2 Beef and Lamb LEP it was easy to identify the stock ratio on this farm was incorrect. We removed 400 cattle and replaced them with 1600 ewes. It also identified areas that needed stock exclusion and we are working towards those goals now.</p> | <p>I seek that the provision is: amended as set out below</p> <p>As an alternative I propose</p> <p>The time frame is very tight to complete as we are yet to receive information of suitable qualified Farm Environmental Planners</p>   |





