

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. at the same time as Kainui Ranges Ltd.
Their views are very similar as is their type of land. (Kate + Aaron Reese)


Signature

28-2-2017
date

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<p>The specific provisions my submission relates to are:</p> <p>State specifically what Objective, Policy, Rule, map, glossary, or issue you are referring to.</p>	<p>My submission is that:</p> <p>State:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • whether you support, or oppose each provision listed in column 1; • brief reasons for your views. 	<p>The decision I would like the Waikato Regional Council to make is:</p> <p>Give:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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
<p><i>Provision</i></p>	<p>I support/ oppose/ and for each whether or not you wish to amend</p> <p>The reasons for this are:</p>	<p>I seek that the provision is: Deleted in its entirety/ Retained as proposed/ amended as set out below</p> <p>As an alternative I propose</p>

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<p>Schedule B -</p> <p>Nitrogen Reference Point.</p>	<p>The reasons for this are:</p> <p>We oppose the methods of calculating the Nitrogen Reference Point.</p> <p>Reasons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The NRP will be based on recent farm management practices rather than the land's natural capabilities. - The methods of calculation won't be fair when our farm is compared to neighbouring properties. - New farm owners are at an immediate disadvantage as they inherit the NRP from previous 	<p>As an alternative I propose</p> <p>- We think neighbours with similar soil type should have the same NRP/ha.</p> <p>The Farm Environment Plans will play a major role, offsetting Nitrogen use by planting Forestry blocks would be an example.</p>
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<p>Provision</p> <p>Schedule C - Stock Exclusion</p>	<p>I support/ oppose/ and for each whether or not you wish to amend _____ The rules and timelines set by Schedule C. The reasons for this are:</p> <p>Flooding is my main concern on our main named stream, huge amounts of debris (vegetation, old willow logs) are washed down after every downpour. We are currently reticulating water around the farm and when this is completed stock won't have to rely on natural sources of water.</p> <p>- The exclusion of stock from all defined water bodies is extreme and not in my opinion necessary to maintain clean streams. I do think a F.E.P is essential and by abiding to the plan I think we can achieve the right outcome.</p> <p>Heavy stocking of cattle on this type of country in winter is unprofitable and unwise because of pugging.</p>	<p>I seek that the provision is: Deleted in its entirety/ Retained as proposed/ amended as set out below</p> <p>As an alternative I propose</p> <p>- Cattle, horses, deer and pigs should be excluded from water bodies with a continual flow of surface water water wider than 1m on average, rather than all of the defined water bodies.</p> <p>- The timeline for change needs to be reasonable and clear rules as to which is a water body and which is not.</p>
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