

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.**

  
Signature \_\_\_\_\_ date 18-2-17





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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"> <li>• whether you support, or oppose each provision listed in column 1;</li> <li>• brief reasons for your views.</li> </ul>	<p>The decision I would like the Waikato Regional Council to make is:</p> <p>Give:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 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</li> </ul>
<p>Provision</p> <p>Nitrogen reference point.</p>	<p>I support/ oppose/ and for each whether or not you wish to amend <i>(delete as required)</i></p> <p>The reasons for this are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Try to justify your response using data or by providing an example or story from your farm/ own experiences</i></li> </ul> <p>I oppose it. In the 14/15 or 15/16 year there maybe farmers that have not been able to put much fert on because of finances or drought are locked in at that level.</p>	<p>I seek that the provision is: Deleted in its entirety/ Retained as proposed/ amended as set out below <i>(delete as required)</i></p> <p>As an alternative I propose</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>What would be an appropriate alternative</i></li> </ul> <p>As an alternative I'd much rather see that an adequate level of fert be applied according to what the land needs.</p>

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<p>Fencing stock out of waterways.</p>	<p>I support this but the cost is huge for myself and many others.</p>	<p>Would it be fair that all of NZ pay this together as we will share in this water's use.</p>
<p>" " "</p>	<p>I support this but we will lose some land in between fence and stream.</p>	<p>Would it be fair that this land was surveyed out so that we will not pay rates on it as it's effectively landlocked. Also NZ could buy this land off the farmer or as the Manungatantari Ecological Island Trust have done, they have given farmers land lots to sell as compensation for having given land and access to this trust.</p>

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<p>Plan change</p>	<p>I oppose. It means that we are locked in to our present system for ever. It will make us unprofitable and land value will drop.</p>	<p>We should be able to farm what we like as long as we don't pollute the water. That can be managed and monitored.</p>
<p>Monitoring costs.</p>	<p>Who will monitor all these requirements? And at what cost. Obviously costs will rise to the rate payer and income will be down because of lower stocking rates. Is this fair?</p>	<p>?</p>

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Price of farm products.	Do people want to have farm produce sold to them at a much higher price than now?	This needs to happen for farmers to stay profitable. Our costs are rising through fencing waterways, less land, higher rates to cover monitoring and less stock numbers.
Planting trees on marginal land.	If large amounts have to be planted as it's suggested in the plan then tourism will suffer.	Tourists come to see our beautiful rolling land and if there's large amounts planted the number of tourists may drop.

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Monitoring streams.	<p>The reasons for this are:</p> <p>I support the clean streams idea. I believe that my property is a low leaching one. We are dry stock and don't use high amounts of fert and nitrogen.</p>	<p>As an alternative I propose</p> <p><i>What would be an appropriate alternative</i></p> <p>Would it be fair to have my streams monitored where they come into my farm and where they leave. Then I will know if I'm a big leacher or not. I'm against being lumped in with maybe high leaching farms.</p>

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<p>Waterway fencing.</p>	<p>The reasons for this are:</p> <p>I support this but to actually do the fencing will require many man hours carrying materials and labour to put fence in awkward spots.</p>	<p>As an alternative I propose</p> <p><i>What would be an appropriate alternative</i></p> <p>Would it be fair that I could bench along stream bed with an excavator to make fencing easier. Also it means we can travel <del>the</del> track with a quad to spray weeds that will always be there. Hope fully consent will not be needed as this will be a once.</p>

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Stream crossings.	The reasons for this are:  On our farm we have many streams to cross. It's going to be an astronomical cost to either bridge or culvert these to get stock across them.	As an alternative I propose  <i>What would be an appropriate alternative</i>  Would it be ok for stock to pass through the stream bed and then locked out into next paddock. Stock will only be in the water for a very short time saving a massive amount of money.



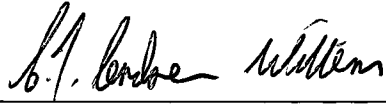
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<p>Monitoring.</p>	<p>I would be vehemently opposed to having to supply Regional Council our annual accounts, as has been asked for in some other regions.</p>	<p>but achievable.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration.</p>
<p>In brief then lets clean up the water, fence stock out of waterways but share the cost amongst all New Zealanders.</p>	<p>Farmers will and can work through this but a heavy handed approach will not work. Give us assistance and time. This will be a long process</p>	<p>but achievable.</p> <p>Thank you for your consideration.</p>

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Yours sincerely

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Signature

Date

