

KEY ISSUES FOR SHEEP AND BEEF FARMERS

Waikato Regional Council is currently consulting on its proposed Waikato Regional Plan Change 1. The Council is seeking submissions on the proposed plan until **5pm 8 March 2017**. This template has been created to help you get involved.

Get involved

It is critical that you get involved in the process directly. The plan and its implementation will influence how you manage your land, so it is important that you understand what is being proposed and that you have your say.

- For more information on the proposed Waikato Regional Plan Change 1 visit:
<http://www.waikatoregion.govt.nz/Council/Policy-and-plans/Plans-under-development/Healthy-Rivers---Plan-for-Change/>
- Review B+LNZs one page summary and full brief of the key issues by visiting the Beef + Lamb New Zealand Website:
<http://www.beeflambnz.com/news-events/News/2016/october/healthy-rivers/>
- Download a copy of the proposed Waikato Regional Plan Change 1 at:
<http://www.waikatoregion.govt.nz/PageFiles/46657/PlanChange1.pdf>
- Attend a B+LNZ Farmer Submission Workshop near you in November, visit the Beef + Lamb New Zealand Website for the schedule:
<http://www.beeflambnz.com/news-events/News/2016/october/healthy-rivers/>
- Provide feedback to the council online at:
<http://www.waikatoregion.govt.nz/Council/Policy-and-plans/Plans-under-development/Healthy-Rivers---Plan-for-Change/Plan-change-1-have-your-say/>
- Provide your feedback to the council via email: healthyrivers@waikatoregion.govt.nz

Share your thoughts or get help with your submission by contacting Environment Policy Manager Corina Jordan: corina.jordan@beeflambnz.com, mobile 027 202 7337.

Instructions for using this template:

- Make sure you complete the covering sheet on the first page of the submission form.
- Delete or add table rows as required – you can say as much or as little as you like, you're not limited to commenting on just the Plan sections included in the template.
- You must either support or oppose a part of the plan and ask for the council to make a decision on your submission point
- Wherever possible, try to back up your statements with examples from your own experiences, and/or cost implications on your farm business.
- **Your feedback must be lodged with Waikato Regional Council by 5pm on Wednesday 8 March 2017.**



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

Please consider forwarding a copy of your submission to B+LNZ so we can echo your comments in our submission

Mark + Cathy Ramsay Baker we farm on
Hukia Rd Huntly and we bought this farm
16 years ago. We have fenced parts of
the small creek that runs through our
farm. We have neighbours and friends
come and ~~swim~~ swim in the creek. Friends
also come & get Kai for Tangi's etc
We have trough water in all except
4 paddocks which we are in process
of doing. Our son is thinking of
coming home to work & take over but with
plan it would be impossible finally
for him to come home to work.

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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

To: Waikato Regional Council
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HAMILTON 3240

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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

9-2-17
9-2-17
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>Provision</p> <p>Stock exclusion rule 3.11.5.1 3.11.5.2</p>	<p>I support / oppose / and for each whether or not you wish to amend</p> <p>The reasons for this are:</p> <p>oppose amendments</p> <p>To fence off all water ways by 2023 is physically + financially impossible.</p> <p>Use national guide lines gives us hill country farmers a more achievable <u>goal</u></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>Use ^{use} of trough water will keep stock out of streams + swamps and springs.</p> <p>lift stock units from 6 to 18 on hill country as other Councils.</p>

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<p>Objectives 1+3 policy 5+7 rules 3.11.5.3 to 3.11.5.5</p>	<p>The reasons for this are: to much uncertainty to invest in fencing fent 10 years is not long enough as we have had stream fenced for 16 yrs and banks still collapse under flood.</p>	<p>As an alternative I propose we want it modeled + set out to show what it will look like in 90 years</p>

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nitrogen

Provision	I support/ oppose/ and for each whether or not you wish to amend	I seek that the provision is: Deleted in its entirety/ Retained as proposed/ amended as set out below
<p>Objectives 1 + 4 policies 2 + 7 rules 3-11-5-3 to 3-11-5-7 Schedule 1</p>	<p>The reasons for this are:</p> <p>This rewards the polluters and hands caps our operation</p> <p>Overseer does not work on hill country 43% - error rate.</p> <p>Only way to reduce our nitrogen is to decrease stocking nos. on our farm. which would make our farm uneconomic!</p>	<p>As an alternative I propose</p> <p>nitrogen reference point is set aside and we deal with problems such as sediment. as nitrogen is not the problem on hill country</p> <p>Ref to Scientist</p> <p>Tony van der Weerden Waikato Times 29-11-16</p>

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enviro

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<p>policy 2 rules 3.11.5.3 to 3.11.5.7 Schedule 1</p>	<p>The reasons for this are:</p> <p>The plan will be too expensive and unachievable because of lack of personal expertise. no certified enviro planners around to do plans etc.</p>	<p>Retained as proposed/ amended as set out below</p> <p>As an alternative I propose</p> <p>Need greater time zone and more flexibility Farmers demonstrate themselves to lower costs.</p>

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Yours sincerely

DM RAMSAY + CM BAKER


Signature

28-2-2017
~~22-2-2017~~
Date