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Introduction letter for Riverheads Ltd.

We are in the western catchment and wish to enter a submission in as concerned neighbours of the Waikato catchment area.

Our property has been family owned for over fifty years. It has provided a lifestyle and income to not only the first and second generation, at given times it also supports the third with a steady platform and the ability to have assistance when needed.

Simply, the property is the foundation of our family.

We feel it is unrealistic to impose the suggested restrictions on the way we farm as there is not enough conclusive evidence to show that the farming policies we use are compromising the water quality.

Our farm is rolling to steep contour, if Plan 1 was passed in it's present form, we would no longer be able to graze the cattle that we rely on as a major part of our annual income. Due to fluctuating markets it would be impossible to meet our costs farming one class of stock.

We all know the importance of clean waterways, but we consider this Plan 1 proposal is not sharing the responsibility evenly between the people of the Waikato region, so it is not fair or cost effective in our opinion.

Managers of Riverheads.
Clint and Adell Roxburgh
C. J. Roxburgh
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Waikato Regional Council

My Father lost his health fighting for his family's right to freedom and for his children and children's children's right to a free New Zealand. Many brave men died for that right, NZ prides itself on a fairness to all. This healthy rivers is far from this criteria, if NZ is to keep its proud heritage of fair too all the whole set up of this healthy rivers must change.

We have a beautiful country and if this is such a big thing as to affect all hill country farmers, then it should be the same rules applied for all the country.

I whole heartily agree water and clear clean water is very important so have independent water testers test all waterways and work out where the damage is being done.

Farmers have tried to look after their land and hill country farmers know the value of clear clean water for their stock, which will pass by a swamp to drink from a running stream when they can. By fencing all running water, swamps will thrive and clear running streams will become few, a hazard in the future cursed by badly gathered information possibly.

As for planting pines, right of cause we as farmers in the twenty odd years while trees grow have no income so we leave our homes and coarse more housing strife by hundreds more wanting homes in town, more needing jobs etc.

The meat we supply will be gone and so will the clear air we as NZ's so pride ourselves that this country has. In pollen time all allergy suffers will have a terrible time and why would tourists want to come when a great deal of what they see is pine trees.

What is the condition of the water coming out of those old established pine blocks, I would like to know? because once pines have been grown the ground has to much turpentine in it and is no good for anything but pines.

Plan 1, in my opinion will leave New Zealand wide open to foreign investment, taking over a great deal of our hill country farms.

If the government has signed to grow pines to the world and has to be seen to be doing this, why don't they ask the farmers to help, I am sure each farmer would willingly plant a acre of pines rather than lose their farms.

The hill country farmer is being made a skape goat for big money concerns, our dairy neighbours have been told to stay quiet about this as they have had money and lawyers get the best deal possible arranged for them and our Maori friends don't have to comply, why? we are all New Zealanders and if it's as important a rule as they say it should be for all New Zealanders.

Managing director of Riverheads Ltd.

Delores Charmain Greenhalgh
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**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

To: Waikato Regional Council
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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.

Clint & Adell Roxburgh

A Roxburgh 2/3/17
Signature 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 3:11:51, 3:11:52 3:11:53 3:11:54 stock exclusion rule</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 oppose the progressive exclusion of cattle in our streams and hill country. I don't feel that the damage is notable on our property due to our location and the type of water bodies present on it.</p>	<p>I seek that the provision is: Deleted in its entirety/ Retained as proposed/ amended as set out below I seek the provision deleted in As an alternative I propose its entirety.</p> <p>The National Water Accord only recommends that streams 1.5 m wide are to be fenced off and protected. I would like the Waikato Region Council to adopt this approach</p>

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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>Policy 1 and Policy 2 Schedule B Regarding Nitrogen Reference Point</p>	<p>I oppose</p> <p>The reasons for this are:</p> <p>Nitrogen allocation has been used in other regions previously and was unsatisfactory because it served to lower the farm value according to its Nitrogen reference Point.</p> <p>Nitrogen referencing would appear to support the high users and disadvantage those who are conservative and already conscientious.</p>	<p>I wish the provision to be deleted in its entirety.</p> <p>As an alternative I propose</p> <p>I would be in favour of an F.E.P that would encourage responsible use of nutrients and application guidelines. I believe we need some flexibility due to the variable's farmers face season to season.</p>

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<p>Policy 6 Restricting land use change rule 3:11:5:7</p>	<p>I oppose</p> <p>The reasons for this are: Due to the market fluctuating and constant changes, ie: climatic and world events, we need to have the freedom to diversify and meet our costs. This policy would discourage future investment opportunities.</p>	<p>I seek the provision deleted As an alternative I propose in its entirety.</p> <p>I wish to see The National Water Accord used as an alternative to the strict land use change rule.</p>

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<p>Sub catchment 3:11:4:5</p>	<p>I support but wish to amend. The reasons for this are:</p> <p>I think there is a need to identify catchments or sub catchments that have water purity issues.</p>	<p>I seek the provision amended. As an alternative I propose</p> <p>I would like to see clear and transparent information available to the public from independent water testing facilities to pin point problem areas and the best course of action to deal with and improve those situations.</p>

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<p>Objective 1 and policy 5</p>	<p>I support the Objective, I think it is important to have clean healthy rivers and waterways. My concern is that a blanket approach is going to be imposed and it could be financially difficult or even unachievable. The reality is that our on farm practice may not be causing water degradation quality.</p>	<p>I wish to see more creditable science applied to determine the polluted hot spots, so that energy and resources can be directed at those concentrated areas.</p>

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Thank You for giving the opportunity to submit on the W.R.C proposed Plan Change 1.

Yours sincerely

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Signature

4/3/17

Date