

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.~~

R Purdie
Signature

6.3.17
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 <i>Stock exclusion</i></p> <p>The cost to comply with this plan from what I have heard and seen for us would be around \$1000 HA is \$460 000 this is unrealistic unrealistic and very unaffordable. The farm would be a nightmare to farm with weeds pests, and fences winding round streams, with very little gain of water quality for thousands of dollars spent.</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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Please consider forwarding a copy of your submission to B+LNZ so we can echo your comments in our submission

Introduction

West coast Catchments

I own a family farm which has been in the family for over 100 years. We have high rain fall very muddy papa/^{clay} soil, and there is high sediment loss. we have planted alot of tree's to slow the sedement loss but even in the ~~best~~ it is very silty, when we get alot of rain.

I dont beleave sedement is the problem, I think its chemicals (fert) and farming practice (overstocking) doing most of the damage. ^(other than town runoff) I'm not saying we should forget about ~~erosion~~ sedement loss but to me it is the least damaging.

From what I understand the 5 most polluted rivers in NZ dont have any farm inputs or runoff to them.?

Common sense would be good, you are talking crippling amounts of money ^(beef+lamb) for little or no benefits to the rivers.

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.**



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<p>fencing all waterways would make it very impracticable and prohibitively to farm</p>	<p>The reasons for this are:</p> <p>Fencing in some cases yes but over all no.</p> <p>Cost } unaffordable Time } Benefit — ? Weeds — more chem in water ways Pest — more costs</p> <p>In easily accessible streams with no shade where cattle are brown to stock I think should be fenced otherwise no.</p>	<p>As an alternative I propose</p> <p>Do the science science first you are talking crippling \$.</p> <p>farmers should have to provide shade to their stock and there would be 85% less standing in the stream. <u>which I have seen many times</u></p> <p>if we all want healthy streams we should all pay evenly as there are no advantages to farmers.</p>

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<p>Restricting land use change</p>	<p>The reasons for this are:</p> <p>I think we should be treated the same.</p> <p>Farming is a way of life unless we are doing damage to the environment. (why charge)</p> <p>Don't fix what aint broke (in alot of cases)</p>	<p>As an alternative I propose</p> <p>restrict stock to stocking rates which suite the land type, and terrain. <small>and rainfall</small></p> <p>restrict fert inputs esp <u>nitrogen</u></p> <p>again do the maths first make sure it is working but treat us the same as far as land type goes.</p>

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	<p>The reasons for this are:</p> <p>We have a river boundary so would only pay $\frac{1}{2}$ against the Mokau river? 1 in 3 years its floods, with big logs + debris flowing down which would erialate the fence, we don't have time or money for this.</p>	<p>As an alternative I propose</p> <p>leave how it is.</p> <p>our stock ready stand in river.</p> <p>should we be thinking of housing stock over winter at least we would get some benefits for money spent i.e less pugging less contaminat loss.</p>

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