

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.**

T. J. Williamson 20.2.17  
**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"> <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>3.11.2 OBJECTIVE 1</p>	<p>I support/oppose/ and for each whether or not you wish to amend (delete or insert)</p> <p>The reasons for this are:</p> <p>INCONSISTENT IDEALS SOUGHT FOR WATER QUALITY</p>	<p>I seek that the provision is: Deleted in its entirety/ Retained as proposed/ amended as set out below (delete or insert)</p> <p>As an alternative I propose</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- TO ALIGN THE WATER QUALITY TARGETS TO THE NATIONAL POLICY STATEMENT FOR FRESHWATER MANAGEMENT.</li> <li>- TO INCLUDE CHEMICALS IN THE TESTING REGIME.</li> <li>- ALSO ROADING / AUTOMOTIVE DISCHARGES</li> </ul>

" WHO AM I ? "

MY NAME IS TERRY WILLIAMSON, AND TOGETHER WITH MY PARTNER LEANNE, LIVE AND FARM AT NO 69 OTUITI ROAD, IN THE OPUATIA DISTRICT, NORTH WAIKATO, OUR PROPERTY MEASURES APPROX 44 Ha. FOR THE PAST 4 YEARS I HAVE BEEN FARMING A DAIRY HEIFER REPLACEMENT REGIME I.E. DRYSTOCK, GRAZING ONLY, DAIRY SUPPORT. AS YOU WOULD IMAGINE WE ALSO HAVE (NEED) SOME LIMITED OFF-FARM INCOME. (AGE AND HEALTH ISSUES ARE THE MAIN LIMITATIONS).

I CONSIDER MY FARMING TO BE LOW INPUT AND SENSIBLE USE OF THE LAND TYPE. (I.E. RESPONSIBLE). DOING WHAT WE ARE DOING, WE ARE ABLE TO EKE OUT A MODEST INCOME / LIFESTYLE AND IT CONCERNS US GREATLY THAT WAIKATO REGIONAL COUNCILS ASPIRATIONAL DREAM OF A HEALTHY RIVER VIA PROPOSED PLAN CHANGE 1 WILL PLACE A DISPROPORTIONATE BURDEN ON US WITH NO MEASURABLE IMPROVEMENT TO THE HEALTH OF 'THE RIVER'. IT SEEMS OBVIOUS THAT W.R.C. ARE READY TO BOMBARD ALL LAND OWNERS WITH AN UNREALISTIC ARRAY OF COSTS THAT SOME WILL FIND SIMPLY UNAFFORDABLE.

MY MICRO-CATCHMENT (INCLUDING NEIGHBOURS APPROX 1000 Ha) TO MY KNOWLEDGE HAS NEVER HAD ITS DISCHARGE WATER TO THE WAIKATO RIVER TESTED. SHOULDN'T IT ??

IF THIS PLAN PROCEEDS, I PREDICT THAT THE COUNCIL WILL NOT ONLY HAVE TO DEFEND THE LEGAL CHALLENGES BUT ALSO A VOTE OF NO CONFIDENCE.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME.

TW.

P.S. OUR LAND IS OUR RETIREMENT RESOURCE. PLEASE DON'T MUCK IT UP.

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<p>3.11.3 POLICY 1 A &amp; C.</p>	<p>The reasons for this are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- ACTIVITIES SHOULD BE ABLE TO INCREASE TO A MINIMUM THRESHOLD</li> <li>* EXCLUDE ANIMALS FROM WATER WAYS WHERE PRACTICAL</li> <li>- ALSO MANAGE BIRDS AND KOI CARP WHERE THEY ARE CONTRIBUTING TO THE WATER QUALITY NEGATIVELY. THE OPUATIA STREAM IS A MUDDY MESS ON ANY DAY OF THE YEAR MOST CERTAINLY CAUSED BY THE CARP.</li> </ul>	<p>As an alternative I propose</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- RECONSIDER THE HISTORIC NITROGEN REFERENCE POINT AS A MEASURING TOOL, REPLACE IT WITH A PRAGMATIC SYSTEM THAT ALLOWS FOR PRUDENT USE OF LAND POTENTIAL.</li> <li>* WHERE FENCING IS PROBLEMATIC PERHAPS A WATER TEST COULD BE THE DECIDER.</li> <li>- ESTABLISH CONTROL OF BIRD AND KOI CARP POPULATIONS WHERE APPLICABLE.</li> </ul>

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<p>3.11.3 POLICY 2 (A → E)</p>	<p>The reasons for this are:</p> <p>A COMPLETE NONSENSE</p>	<p>As an alternative I propose</p> <p>DEVELOP A SUB-CATCHMENT PLAN TO IDENTIFY EXACTLY WHERE THE PROBLEMS ARE COMING FROM.</p>
<p>3.11.3 POLICY 5 &amp; 7</p>	<p><u>AMEND</u> - UNCERTAINTY</p>	<p>- PROVIDE AN 80 YEAR MODEL TO BRING SOME REASSURANCE TO THE AGRICULTURE INDUSTRY.</p>
<p>3.11.3 POLICY 6 7 (B)</p>	<p><u>AMEND</u> - DELETE THE EXCEPTION AS PROVIDED FOR IN POLICY 16 THIS SEEMS RACIALLY DIVISIVE.</p>	<p>- SAME RULE FOR ALL.</p>
<p>3.11.3 POLICY 9</p>	<p><u>SUPPORT</u></p>	

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<p>3.11.3</p> <p>POLICY 10, 11, 12 9 13, 16</p>	<p><b>OPPOSE</b></p> <p>EXCEPTIONALLY SELECTIVE. ARE WE TESTING THE WATER OR NOT?? THIS SEEMS DIVISIVE AND RESENTFUL.</p>	<p>As an alternative I propose</p> <p>W. could be an appropriate alternative SAME PLAN FOR ALL.</p>
<p>3.11.4</p> <p>3.11.4.1 → 3.11.4.12</p>	<p><b>OPPOSE</b></p> <p>THIS LOOKS LIKE A HUGE FUNDING BURDON - ??</p>	<p>- ??</p>
<p>3.11.5 RULES</p> <p>3.11.5.4 (5)</p>	<p><b>OPPOSE</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- A NITROGEN REFERENCE POINT IS TOO THEORETICAL AS ADVISED BY THE CREATORS OF OVERSEER.</li> <li>- I WILL NEED A RESOURCE CONSENT TO FARM 44 Ha. (COST)</li> <li>- I HAVE TO CREATE A FARM ENVIRONMENT PLAN (COST)</li> </ul>	<p>??</p>

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<p>SCHEDULE B N.R.P. C &amp; F</p>	<p>The reasons for this are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- OVERSEER WAS NEVER DESIGNED TO BE USED FOR THIS PURPOSE</li> <li>- USING THE YEARS 2014/2015 AND 2015/2016 HAS TURNED OUT TO BE A HISTORICAL AMBUSH!</li> <li>EXTREMELY CLANDESTINE ON THE PART OF WAIKATO <del>THE</del> REGIONAL COUNCIL.</li> </ul>	<p>As an alternative I propose</p> <p>the use of the an approved tool as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- USE AN INDUSTRY APPROVED TOOL.</li> <li>- PERHAPS USING STOCK UNITS PER HECTARE UP TO A REALISTIC THRESHOLD WOULD BE A STARTING POINT.</li> </ul>
<p>SCHEDULE B N.R.P. TABLE 1 ANIMAL WEIGHTS</p>	<p><b>OPPOSE</b></p> <p>FARM PERFORMANCE WILL BE DEFAULTED TO NATIONAL AVERAGES. W.R.C. PPI HAS DECIDED ALL FARMERS FROM NOW ON NEED ONLY TO BE AVERAGE!?</p>	

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<p>SCHEDULE 1 REQUIREMENTS FOR FARM ENVIRONMENT PLANS A. 2 (a + b) ii</p>	<p>The reasons for this are:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- NO ONE HAS BEEN ABLE TO DESCRIBE ALTERNATIVE MITIGATION MEASURES</li> <li>- AND ALSO THERE HAS BEEN NO SUGGESTION ON HOW TO MEASURE LAND SLOPE.</li> </ul>	<p>As an alternative I propose</p> <p><small>What would be an appropriate unit of measurement?</small></p> <p>I DON'T KNOW HOW TO SUGGEST AN ALTERNATIVE TO SOMETHING THAT DOESN'T EXIST.</p>
<p>3.11.6 TABLE 11-<del>1</del>1</p>	<p>I WONDER WHY W.R.C. HAVE INSTRUCTED OUR MOST NOTABLE TESTING LABORATORY TO TELL ANY FARMERS WANTING TO TEST FARM WATER "THEY ARE WASTING THEIR TIME"</p>	





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<p>BACK GROUND AND EXPLANATION</p>	<p>The reasons for this are:</p> <p>THE COLLABORATIVE STAKE-HOLDERS GROUP WAS MADE UP WITH A DISPROPORTIONATELY LOW REPRESENTATION OF AGRICULTURAL VOICES - ONLY ONE FROM DRY STOCK FARMING. SURELY THAT MUST BE ABSURDLY UNDEMOCRATIC.</p>	<p>As an alternative I propose</p> <p><small>What would be an appropriate alternative</small></p> <p>START AGAIN AND DO IT PROPERLY.</p>

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Yours sincerely

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Signature

Date