

PROPOSED WAIKATO REGIONAL PLAN CHANGE 1

WAIKATO AND WAIPĀ RIVER CATCHMENTS



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We need to receive your submission by 5pm, 8 March 2017.

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TRADE COMPETITION AND ADVERSE EFFECTS (select appropriate)

- I could / could not gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission.
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To: Waikato Regional Council
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Submission on: Proposed Waikato Regional Plan Change 1: Waikato and Waipa River
Catchments

Date: 8th March 2017

Submission by: David & Sue Fish

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Background

We are proud dairy farmers from the Waikato/Piako district and understand the vital role farmers play in the protection of the environment, the enrichment of our communities and the economic viability of our country.

This is why we feel very strongly that we should voice our concerns to Waikato Regional Council on the proposed Plan Change One as it will potentially affect any one of these roles.

- 1. Subject matter and provision in the Plan: Page 47 Schedule B Nitrogen Reference Point.**
The Nitrogen reference point (NRP) and the mechanism for obtaining this number is both restrictive with only two years to choose from 2014/15-2015/2016 and objective with the use of Overseer as the modelling programme to ascertain this number.
Overseer was developed as an advisory tool for farmers not as a regulatory one to provide scientific data.

Creating a NRP for individual properties will inhibit both future generation aspirations to enhance the property through science based research e.g. Nitrogen fixing cultivars, legume crops, effluent mitigation mechanisms.

All of the above will potentially prevent future improvements to our water ways and environment if WRC take this short term view using the proposed rule of fixing NRP. The more important issue for our waterways is the other contaminate that is listed is Phosphorus which Overseer cannot measure accurately due to the cation exchange capacity of different soil types.

Summary and reasons for this submission

We oppose the provision for Nitrogen reference point as stated in the Plan Change One until a more robust and scientific model can be implemented.

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Relief sought

Support the above provisions but with amendments

Or such other relief that will address the issues raised in this submission

2. Subject matter and provision in the Plan: Page 47 schedule B

As related to the NRP clause, having to provide financial annual accounts to prove stock purchases and sales is an invasion to personal private information. What other rate paying business in the Waikato Region has to provide such information to quantify their ability to either comply with Waikato Regional Council rules or their ability to pay their rates. The question must be asked that every household and business that lives in the Waikato region and has an adverse effect on the quality of our Waikato River and attributing water ways must provide annual accounts to see which category is responsible for perceived environmental damage?

Summary and reasons for this submission

We oppose this provision

Relief sought

This provision be deleted

I do wish to speak at the hearing in support of my submissions

Signed: _____

Sue Foh *DFH*

Date: _____

8th

March

2017

THE SPECIFIC PROVISIONS OF PROPOSED PLAN CHANGE 1 THAT MY SUBMISSION RELATES TO

Please state the provision, map or page number e.g. Objective 4 or Rule 3.11.5.1 (Continue on separate sheet(s) if necessary).

I SUPPORT OR OPPOSE THE ABOVE PROVISION/S

(Select as appropriate and continue on separate sheet(s) if necessary).

- Support the above provisions
- Support the above provision with amendments
- Oppose the above provisions

MY SUBMISSION IS THAT

Tell us the reasons why you support or oppose or wish to have the specific provisions amended. (Please continue on separate sheet(s) if necessary).

I SEEK THE FOLLOWING DECISION BY COUNCIL

(Select as appropriate and continue on separate sheet(s) if necessary).

- Accept the above provision
- Accept the above provision with amendments as outlined
- Decline the above provision
- If not declined, then amend the above provision as outlined

PLEASE INDICATE BY TICKING THE RELEVANT BOX WHETHER YOU WISH TO BE HEARD IN SUPPORT OF YOUR SUBMISSION

- I wish to speak at the hearing in support of my submissions.
 I do not wish to speak at the hearing in support of my submissions.

JOINT SUBMISSIONS

- If others make a similar submission, please tick this box if you will consider presenting a joint case with them at the hearing.

IF YOU HAVE USED EXTRA SHEETS FOR THIS SUBMISSION PLEASE ATTACH THEM TO THIS FORM AND INDICATE BELOW

- Yes, I have attached extra sheets. No, I have not attached extra sheets.

SIGNATURE OF SUBMITTER

Signature: *Ashley D. [unclear]* Date: *6/3/2017*

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