

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

I am writing on behalf of my husband and myself. We have been dairy farming in the Otorohanga region for 44 years. We run an average of 285 cows on 103h. We used to run a larger herd but reduced our stock numbers & now focus on more production per cow. Over the years we have fenced our drains and river banks (many years ago) and planted many thousands of native trees. All our native bush has been fenced off and protected & we consider ourselves to be good custodians of the land. Part of our farming operation includes a runoff half a kilometre up the road. We would milk on this land but have no direct access therefore we run our young stock there instead. Although we agree with Plan Change 1 in principle we disagree with some of the details. This Plan Change will restrict our options severely with this land. It is extremely suitable for dairying, good well drained soil, rolling contour & all waterways securely fenced. We are getting older & need to start looking at our options, one of which would be selling this area to our dairy farming neighbours. Plan Change 1 will reduce the value of this property markedly, possibly ruining our retirement. We are deeply concerned that areas like this that are suitable for dairying will never be able to be used & yet dairy farms that are existing in unsuitable areas will, because they are already there, ~~not~~ be allowed to continue. Therefore I do not think that Plan Change 1 will achieve the desired effect and therefore oppose it.

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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

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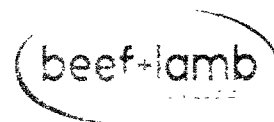
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I am not a trade competitor for the purposes of the submission but the proposed plan has a direct impact on my ability to farm. If changes sought in the plan are adopted they may impact on others but I am not in direct trade competition with them.

I wish to be heard in support of this submission.

AK Davison 6/3/17.
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</p> <p>3.11.5.7</p> <p>land use change.</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 Provision 3.11.5.7. As it stands, land that is suitable for eg. dairying /vegetables will be unable to be used for these activities. However land that is used, particularly for dairying, new that is not suited to this activity will be continue to be ruined.</p> <p>I oppose the exemption of mairi owned land.</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>We need more flexibility and it should be on a farm by farm basis.</p> <p>I seek that this part of the provision is deleted in its entirety.</p> <p>EVERYONE SHOULD BE TREATED EQUALLY! THIS IS ABSOLUTELY</p> <p>NOT ON !!!</p>

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<p>Schedule B.</p> <p>Nitrogen Reference Point.</p>	<p>The reasons for this are:</p> <p>Grandparenting nitrogen allows high users to continue being relatively high users & penalises low users who have always tried to do the right thing</p> <p>The less environmentally farmers will become more profitable and the more environmentally aware farmers will become less profitable.</p> <p>Plan change 1 is helping the wrong people.</p> <p>Overseer is not designed to calculate actual N loss to waterways. You just can't use a flawed tool to justify such severe changes.</p>	<p>As an alternative I propose</p> <p>Set a figure that is environmentally suitable. Bring the high nitrogen users down to this figure and allow the low users to come up to this level if they choose. (Most won't).</p> <p>Develop something better.</p>

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Yours sincerely

ROSEMARY DAVISON.


Signature

6/3/17.
Date

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