

Waikato Regional Council
Hamilton

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To whom it may concern

I am writing to voice my concerns over the Healthy River Plan. I farm approx. 300 acres of land in Morrinsville and I would not use $1\frac{1}{2}$ ton of urea a year. What concerns me with the Nitrogen Reference Point and the Grand Parenting it is treating all farmers the same. I was in the Fertiliser spreading industry for forty years and believe the heavy users of nitrogen should be targeted not the lighter users.

I believe the costs that will put on farmers with all this nonsense that is going on, long term will cause ~~major~~ major problems to our nation (which is reliant on Agriculture) and particularly our rural towns.

We hear about our Dirty Rivers, how is it with all the farming from Lake Taupo to the Waikato the levels of the river are within the swimming levels. So what are some of these experts trying to prove (justify their High Paid Jobs)

You are talking about the Soil Sustainability for Farming I believe all the soils of the Waikato are suitable for farming. The one concern to me is I think, too many farms are

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overstocked, maybe this could be looked at. I am a firm believer in one cow to one acre and farming then is profitable, too many today are buying production and putting pressure on their land.

Another big concern to me is everybody now blames the Dirty Farmers, what about all our cities and smaller towns in New Zealand that are polluting waterways i.e. all the rubber and fuel off city streets and sewerage outlets.

Finally my biggest concern is why are there going to be different rules for Maori land owners to me this is apartheid in reverse

To me all this nonsense is causing more problems in our country than cow poo and urea will ever cause

Yours faithfully,

