

# PROPOSED WAIKATO REGIONAL PLAN CHANGE 1 WAIKATO AND WAIPĀ RIVER CATCHMENTS



**Submission form on publicly notified – 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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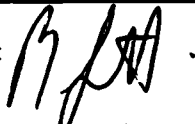
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To whom it may concern:

My name is Peter Scott and I farm 400ha. (purchased from solid energy last year) in Huntly. We at present are milking 750 cows and hope to potentially increase to 900 cows. We are situated in the priority 2 area. My wife and I have come through the share-milking system to achieve our goal of farm ownership. We have bought and sold 3 farms over the years, tidying up, increasing production and adding value. We regard ourselves as genuine farmers who love growing grass, looking after stock and always trying to better the previous years production in a sustainable way. We have spent thousands of dollars on fencing water ways <sup>and</sup> extending our effluent systems ~~with~~ to comply with regional council rulings. At present we are building an above ground effluent tank on a farm we lease which will cost \$90000. We have planted lots of trees and are extremely proud of our property. The farm we have purchased is extremely run down and has been poorly managed over the last 7 yrs and we are now embarking on a clean up project ~~to~~ to not only increase production but to add value aesthetically and environmentally. We also currently employ 8 ~~to~~ fulltime staff. I will be quite honest with you we have really struggled with this writing a submission because it is not what we do and I hope what I am writing is what is required.

My objections are. i) Having out cropping area regulated re mays, ~~to~~ turnups etc, why the area we crop is determined by seasonal requirements, amount of pasture renewal required, budget.



ii) Not being able to change land-use with out a resource consent, why the farm we have purchased would easily convert to cropping.

which would add value to my property and would fit my succession plan <sup>reduced consent could cost forage and pasture</sup> \$150000 with no outcome

iii Keeping 5m away from water-ways I ~~semi~~ <sup>semi</sup> offse when cropping, if semi offse meaning if the water way was an active stream I agree but it is not feasible if its just a farm drain.

iv Overseer is not accurate <sup>exactly</sup> to determine nitrogen loss. accuracy can be +/- 30%

v. Who is going to pay for this exercise?  
 Are the cities and power companies affected as well?  
 We have already spent thousands on fencing, and effluent systems, and science tells us the river quality is improving

Last week we were visited by the regional council for a routine effluent inspection. The inspector was more than happy with what he saw but asked if we could have a drop test performed on our in-ground storage ponds, we are more than happy to do this and will rectify any issues if they occur. The visit was enjoyable and educational and we would be more than happy to do this on a yearly basis if required and I think a point system should be implemented, ie if the ~~of~~ effluent system is not up to scratch points are deducted and charged visits more frequent, if system is all good visits are less frequent and free.

To summarise what I have written, I believe some things need to be charged to improve water quality but why should farmer be hit again? ~~if~~ <sup>if</sup> p.c. goes ahead our business will drop 3 labour units because we will not be able to expand our operation as first planned



yours sincerely P. Scott.