

PLANNING ASSESSMENT SHEET

PREPARED FOR FARMING ACTIVITIES WITHIN THE SELWYN TE WAIHORA CATCHMENT

The Resource Management Act requires applications to be accompanied by an assessment against the relevant provisions of planning documents and Part 2 of the RMA. To assist you, a list of the relevant provisions is included in this Planning assessment sheet

This form assessment sheet is designed to be used in conjunction with application forms CON508 and CON509

Please note that this planning assessment sheet has been designed for farming activities that can meet the criteria below:

1. The property is located within the Selwyn Te Waihora Catchment; and
2. The nitrogen loss calculation for the property has not increased above either 15kg per hectare per annum or the nitrogen baseline, which ever is the greater; and
3. A Farm Environment Plan has been prepared in accordance with Schedule 7 Part A.

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Answer the questions in Section 1 and only proceed to Sections 2 and 3 if required.

1 SECTION 1: Legal and planning assessment - Resource Management Act 1991

1.1 Land and Water Regional Plan

Plan Change 1 to the Land and Water Regional Plan for the Selwyn Te Waihora catchment became operative in February 2016. The Plan Change requires that farming activities prepare Farm Environment Plans and operate at good management practice by 1 January 2017. Farming activities with nitrogen losses greater than 15kgN/ha/yr also need to make further % reductions beyond good management practice from 2022. These steps together with other actions are designed to achieve the water quality and cultural outcomes sought for the lowland streams and Te Waihora/Lake Ellesmere.

- 1.1.1 Will you undertake good management practices consistent with the Industry agreed good management practices relating to water quality? (refer <http://www.canterburywater.farm/gmp>)
- Yes No
- 1.1.2 Will you keep your Farm Environment Plan (FEP) up to date and make sure that work on your farm is carried out in accordance with the FEP?
- Yes No
- 1.1.3 Will you arrange for an FEP auditor to visit your farm and carry out audits to ensure the FEP is being implemented? (refer to section 6.2.2 of the application form).
- Yes No
- 1.1.4 Will you maintain your nitrogen losses from your farm too meet the nitrogen discharge limits you receive on your consent? (refer to section 6.4.2 of the application form). This may mean keeping under 15 kg/ha, or not exceeding your nitrogen baseline and implementing the % reductions from 2022.
- Yes No

1.2 Iwi Management Plans

There are three Iwi Management Plans relevant to the Selwyn Waihora Catchment: Ngāi Tahu Freshwater Policy Statement, Mahaanui Iwi Management Plan 2013, and the Te Waihora Joint Management Plan *Mahere Tukutahi o Te Waihora*.

The policies and objectives relating to farming activities within the Selwyn Waihora Catchment can be grouped into the following themes¹:

- Restoration and protection of Mahinga kai and associated values;
- Improvement of water quality and Te Waihora;
- Protection of soil health;
- Interconnectiveness of the environment including Te Waihora, water and land.
- Retoring cultural health and mauri of water;
- Recognition of the cultural, spiritual, historical and traditional association of Ngāi Tahu to Te Waihora, and its associated wāhi tapu; wāhi taonga and to places of significance (this includes land, water and air).

1.2.1 Is any part of your property within the Cultural Landscape/Values Management Area? (refer to section 6.6/6.7 of the application form).

Yes No

1.2.2 If NO, have you answered YES to all questions in Section 1.1 above?

Yes No

1.2.3 If YES,

1.2.3.1 Will you include the mahinga kai and waterway management objective in your FEP (refer to section 6.6.2/6.7.2 of the application form) and implement relevant practices?

Yes No

1.2.3.2 If you have wāhi tapu and/or wāhi taonga sites on your property, (refer section 6.6.1/6.7.1 of the application form) has this application be prepared in consultation with the relevant papatipu rūnanga and agreement on how to protect these sites been reached (evidence of any consultation should be included with the application)?

Yes No N/A

1.3 Conclusion

1.3.1 If you answered **yes** to all of the relevant questions above, then your proposal will be consistent with:

- a) the relevant objectives and policies from the Canterbury Land and Water Regional Plan;
- b) the relevant objectives and policies (kaupapa) from Ngāi Tahu Iwi Management Plans; and
- c) Part II of the RMA.

In addition your proposal will be consistent with the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management 2014, the Resource Management (National Environmental Standards for Sources of Human Drinking Water) Regulations 2007, and the Canterbury Regional Policy Statement 2013 as these documents were given effect to through the Land and Water Regional Plan.

1.3.2 If you answered **no** to any of the above questions (except question 1.2.1), then please provide a comprehensive planning assessment against all of the relevant policies of the relevant planning instruments.

¹ This list is not comprehensive and does not replace the policies and objectives within the Iwi Management Plans. Section 3 has a list of the Policies and Objectives the council considers relevant to this activity.

At a minimum this will need to include all of the provisions listed in Sections 2 and 3 below and Sections 5-8 (Part II) of the RMA. Please contact Customer Services if you require help with this comprehensive planning assessment.

2 SECTION TWO: Relevant planning provisions from the Canterbury Land and Water Regional Plan

Planning document	Relevant provisions
Canterbury Land & Water Regional Plan: Selwyn Te Waihora catchment	11.4.7 11.4.13 11.4.14 11.4.15 11.4.16(1) 11.4.16(2) 11.4.17 11.4.18
Canterbury Land & Water Regional Plan: Regional provisions	4.14B 4.40 4.41 4.74
Canterbury Land & Water Regional Plan: Regional provisions (as amended by Plan Change 5)	4.41 4.41A 4.41B

3 SECTION TWO: RELEVANT KAUPAPA (POLICIES) AND OBJECTIVES FROM NGĀI TAHU IWI MANAGEMENT PLANS (IMPs)

Planning document	Relevant provisions
Ngāi Tahu Freshwater Policy Statement	Mauri objective Mahinga kai objective Mahinga kai policy 3
Mahaanui Iwi Management Plan 2013	WM 7.2 WM 7.10 P 2.1 P 9.3 TW 4.1 TW 6.5 TW 7.2 TW 8.1 TW 9.2 TW 11.1
Te Waihora Joint Management Plan	2.2.6 2.4.1 4.1.3 4.2.1 4.2.2 4.2.3 4.2.4 5.1 5.3