

Ready to get your land use consent to farm? Nice one!  
We'll help you get started, so you can get sorted this year.

# The five steps to getting the thumbs up.

## Determine whether you need a land use consent to farm

To determine your nitrogen losses, use OVERSEER®, or the NCheck tool at [ecan.govt.nz/farmers-hub](http://ecan.govt.nz/farmers-hub).

## Prepare your nitrogen baseline

All farms requiring a land use consent to farm need to prepare a nitrogen baseline. If you need consent, contact your nutrient advisor for help, as you'll need to provide your baseline as part of your Farm Environment Plan (FEP). We know there may be a delay for these to be completed, so let us know when you are on the waitlist to get yours done.

## Create your Farm Environment Plan

All farmers requiring a consent to farm will need to prepare a FEP.

Approved templates and industry help available at [ecan.govt.nz/farmers-hub](http://ecan.govt.nz/farmers-hub).

## Apply for your land use consent to farm

Ready to apply for a resource consent? We offer a free one hour pre-application consultation to help you prepare. See [ecan.govt.nz/farmers-hub](http://ecan.govt.nz/farmers-hub) for information.

## Implement Good Management Practices on your farm

Your Primary Industry Sector has a set of agreed GMPs that can be used to improve water quality. Take a look at [ecan.govt.nz/farmers-hub](http://ecan.govt.nz/farmers-hub) for help relating to your own industry.

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All of the relevant forms, and links for help, can be found at [ecan.govt.nz/farmers-hub](http://ecan.govt.nz/farmers-hub), a website designed to help you.



# ***Need a hand? No worries!***

## **Help is at hand**

We know the land use consent to farm is a new requirement for farmers, so we're here to help. You can find the information you need by checking out our website or giving us a call.

**[ecan.govt.nz/farmers-hub](http://ecan.govt.nz/farmers-hub)**  
**0800 324 636**

## **Drop-in Sessions**

Environment Canterbury regularly hosts drop-in sessions to provide advice and support as you work towards gaining your land use consent to farm.

Dates and locations can be found on the events page at **[ecan.govt.nz/farmers-hub](http://ecan.govt.nz/farmers-hub)**.

## **Pre-application meeting**

Get prepared before lodging your consent, in a free one-hour pre-application meeting with an Environment Canterbury consent planner.

## **Industry Support**

Your industry body offers plenty of support and advice for preparing your Farm Environment Plan, calculating your nitrogen losses, and meeting Good Management Practice.

A variety of independent consultants also offer additional advice and support.

Contact details can be found at **[ecan.govt.nz/farmers-hub](http://ecan.govt.nz/farmers-hub)**

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For information specific to your farm, visit:

**[ecan.govt.nz/farmers-hub](http://ecan.govt.nz/farmers-hub)**