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Good evening

Please find **attached** the Beef + Lamb NZ submissions on Plan Change 1 to the Hurunui Waiau River Regional Plan.

Regards,

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# SUBMISSION

**30 May 2019**

**TO:**

Environment Canterbury

**ON:**

Proposed Plan Change 1 to the Hurunui Waiau  
River Regional Plan

**BY:**

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# Submission

## A.Introduction

1. Beef + Lamb New Zealand Ltd (B+LNZ) welcomes the opportunity to provide feedback on proposed Plan Change 1 to the Hurunui Waiau River Regional Plan. It would like to acknowledge and further thank you, in that the proposed changes indicate that B+LNZ's previous feedback on the matters addressed by this plan change have been seriously considered and an effort made to incorporate it.
2. B+LNZ is an industry-good body funded under the Commodity Levies Act through a levy paid by producers on all cattle and sheep slaughtered in New Zealand. Its mission is to deliver innovative tools and services to support informed decision making and continuous improvement in market access, product positioning, and farming systems. B+LNZ levy payers are directly affected by an effect of the subject matter of the submission. B+LNZ could not gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission.
3. An outstanding feature of the sheep and beef sector, in comparison with other agricultural land uses, is the high degree of spatial and temporal variation in both landscape structure and in system processes.
4. Agriculture is inextricably linked to the natural environment, and how we farm today affects what we have tomorrow. B+LNZ is seeking policy solutions that connect farm practices with the underlying natural resources, thus enabling land use optimization. Farming within environmental limits, and with the natural rhythms of the land is paramount to delivering on our farmers' vision of success "World leading stewards of the natural environment and sustainable communities."
5. Similarly, our farmers form part of the communities that rely on the resources, services, and infrastructure throughout the Canterbury region. As members of those communities, they contribute towards the fabric of their society and help to shape

the way in which the resources, services, and infrastructure are used. These resources are vital to the success of their businesses, to the social and economic wellbeing of their communities, and to the New Zealand economy.

6. The specific provisions of the proposal that this submission relates to and the decisions it seeks from Council are as detailed in the table in Section B. B+LNZ would like to be heard in support of its submission and is prepared to consider presenting its submission in a joint case with others making a similar submission at any hearing.

## B. Feedback

**Table 1: B+LNZ feedback on the proposed Plan Change 1 to the Hurunui and Waiau River Regional Plan: Dryland farming**

Item	Position on changes	Proposed change	Reasoning
Policy 5.3C	Support	-	-
Rule 10.1	Support	-	-
Rule 10.1A	Support		
Rule 10.2	Support	-	-
Rule 11.1	Neutral	-	-
<b>Definitions</b>			
Change of Land Use	Support	-	-
Dryland Farmer Collective Agreement	Support	-	-
Farm Portal	Neutral	-	-
Low Intensity Dryland Farming	Support	-	-
Winter Grazing	Support		
<b>Schedules</b>			
Schedule 2A	Support	-	-
Schedule 6	Neutral	-	-