

CON501A: PLANNING ASSESSMENT FORM**PROPERTIES LOCATED WITHIN THE LOWER HINDS/HEKEAO PLAINS AREA****LAND AND WATER REGIONAL PLAN - RULE ASSESSMENT**

The Resource Management Act requires you to provide an assessment of your application against the relevant planning provisions of the Land and Water Regional Plan.

Please choose the relevant rule applicable to the farming land use application and demonstrate compliance.

Land Use Consent (s9 of the RMA 1991) in accordance with **Rule 13.5.14** the Land & Water Regional Plan.

Rule 13.5.14: Within the Lower Hinds/Hekeao Plains Area, the use of land for a farming activity on a property 5 hectares or less in area is a **permitted activity**.

Land Use Consent (s9 of the RMA 1991) in accordance with **Rule 13.5.15** the Land & Water Regional Plan.

Rule 13.5.15: Within the Lower Hinds/Hekeao Plains Area, the use of land for a farming activity where the nitrogen loss calculation does not exceed 15 kg per hectare per year is a **permitted activity** provided that;

Condition	Compliance	Comment
1. the practices in Schedule 24a are being implemented and the information required is recorded in accordance with Schedule 24a, and supplied to the Canterbury Regional Council on request.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If no, please refer to Rule 13.5.16 as a restricted discretionary activity.	

Land Use Consent (s9 of the RMA 1991) in accordance with **Rule 13.5.16** of the Land & Water Regional Plan.

Rule 13.5.16: Within the Lower Hinds/Hekeao Plains Area, the use of land for a farming activity where the nitrogen loss calculation does not exceed 15 kg per hectare per year that does not meet condition 1 of Rule 13.5.15 is a **restricted discretionary** activity provided the following condition is met:

Condition	Compliance	Comment
1. A Farm Environment Plan has been prepared for the property in accordance with Part A of Schedule 7	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If no, please refer to Rule 13.5.19 as a non-complying activity.	

Land Use Consent (s9 of the RMA 1991) in accordance with **Rule 13.5.17** of the Land & Water Regional Plan.

Rule 13.5.17: Within the Lower Hinds/Hekeao Plains Area, the use of land for a farming activity where the nitrogen loss calculation exceeds 15 kg per hectare per year is a **restricted discretionary** activity provided the following conditions are met:

Condition	Compliance	Comment
1. The nitrogen loss calculation for the property: a) Does not exceed 20 kg/ha/yr, and the nitrogen	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	

<p>loss calculation has not increased by more than 5 kg/ha/yr above the nitrogen baseline; or</p> <p>b) Exceeds 20 kg/ha/yr but does not exceed the nitrogen baseline</p>	<p>If no, please refer to Rule 13.5.20 as a prohibited activity.</p>	
<p>2. A Farm Environment Plan has been prepared for the property in accordance with Part A of Schedule 7 and is submitted with the application for resource consent; and</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, please refer to Rule 13.5.19 as a non-complying activity.</p>	

Land Use Consent (s9 of the RMA 1991) in accordance with **Rule 13.5.18** of the Land & Water Regional Plan.

Rule 13.5.18: Within the Lower Hinds/Hekeao Plains Area, the use of land for a farming activity as part of a farming enterprise is a **discretionary activity**, provided the following conditions are met:

Condition	Compliance	Comment
<p>1. The farming enterprise is solely in the Lower Hinds/Hekeao Plains Area</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, please refer to Rule 13.5.20 as a prohibited activity.</p>	
<p>2. The aggregated nitrogen loss calculation for the parcels of land held in single or multiple ownership (whether or not held in common ownership) forming the farming enterprise, does not increase above the greater of 15kg/ha/yr or the aggregated nitrogen baseline for those parcels of land; and</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, please refer to Rule 13.5.20 as a prohibited activity.</p>	
<p>3. A Farm Environment Plan has been prepared for the farming enterprise in accordance with Part A of Schedule 7</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> No</p> <p>If no, please refer to Rule 13.5.19 as a non-complying activity.</p>	

Land Use Consent (s9 of the RMA 1991) in accordance with **Rule 13.5.19** of the Land & Water Regional Plan.

Rule 13.5.19: The use of land for a farming activity that does not comply with condition 1 of Rule 13.5.16 or condition 2 of Rule 13.5.17, or the use of land for a farming activity as part of a farming enterprise that does not comply with condition 3 of Rule 13.5.18 is a **non-complying activity**.

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Land Use Consent (s9 of the RMA 1991) in accordance with **Rule 13.5.20** of the Land & Water Regional Plan.

Rule 13.5.20: The use of land for a farming activity that does not comply with condition 1 of Rule 13.5.17 or conditions 1 or 2 of Rule 13.15.18 is a **prohibited activity**.

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1 LEGAL AND PLANNING ASSESSMENT

1.1.1 CANTERBURY LAND & WATER REGIONAL PLAN: POLICIES

Operative Policies	Will your proposal help achieve this?	Explanation where relevant
4.34 The loss nutrients from any farming activity to water is minimised by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) raising awareness of the nutrient losses by requiring monitoring and record- keeping of modelled nutrient loss; (b) farming activities that have nutrient losses operating at good practice or better; and (c) requiring the provision of information on modelled nutrient loss from farming activities to enable better decision making 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
4.36 Water quality outcomes are met by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. all farming activities minimising nutrient losses through the implementation of good practice; b. all permitted farming activities on properties greater than 10 hectares preparing and implementing a Management Plan in accordance with Schedule 7A; c. farming activities with the potential for more significant nutrient losses managing their nitrogen losses in accordance with the Good Management Practice Loss Rates and being subject to a resource consent process 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
4.38 Manage the loss of phosphorus to water from land used for farming activities by: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. identifying on the Planning Maps High Runoff Risk Phosphorus Zones where the risk of phosphorus loss to surface water from overland flow is elevated; and b. requiring any farming activity to identify within the Farm Environment Plan or the Management Plan any critical area for phosphorus loss; and c. requiring actions to be implemented to minimise phosphorus and sediment loss. 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	

4.40	Farm Environment Plans are used as a primary means of identifying and delivering good environmental practice across a range of farm activities, including nutrient loss management, efficient and effective use of water for irrigation, riparian management, stock movements across waterways, offal and farm rubbish pits, the storage and application of effluent and fertiliser use.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
4.41	<p>Applications for resource consents for farming activities will be accompanied by a Farm Environment Plan that has been prepared in accordance with Schedule 7 and the conditions of any resource consent granted will specify:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. procedures and criteria for the timely review and updating of the Farm Environment Plan; an b. a requirement to meaningfully implement the Farm Environment Plan; an c. monitoring and information provision; and d. requirements for the independent auditing of the Farm Environment Plan and the remedying of compliance issues raised in the audit; and e. the timing of any subsequent audits. 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
4.41 A	<p>The contribution that the preparation of accurate nutrient budgets and Farm Environment Plans make to the attainment of the water quality outcomes is recognised by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. requiring the preparation of nutrient budgets in accordance with the OVERSEER Best Practice Data Input Standards; and b. applying to any nutrient budget that forms part of an application for resource consent a level of scrutiny that is proportionate to the qualifications, experience and performance of the person who prepared the budget; and c. irrigation schemes and principal water suppliers requiring the preparation and auditing of Farm Environment Plans for properties they supply with water; and d. providing, except where the discharge of nutrients from a farming activity is authorised by a discharge permit held by an irrigation scheme or principal water supplier, a controlled activity pathway for resource consent provided the application has been prepared or reviewed by an Accredited Farm Consultant. 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
4.41 B	<p>Attainment of the water quality outcomes for the region is enhanced through the implementation of good management practice and by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. the use of an audit grade as the measure of a farming activity's overall performance relative to the objectives, targets and actions in the Farm Environment Plan, and the Good Management Practices and Good Management Practice Loss Rates; and b. the use of audit grades as the basis for determining compliance and the frequency of any future audits; and c. requiring the completion of corrective actions to address non-compliances identified in the Farm Environment Plan audit; and d. the use of a Certified Farm Environment Plan Auditor to assess a farming activity's 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	

	<p>e. performance; and requiring the nitrogen loss calculation to the prepared using annual input data in circumstances where:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i. the results of the most recent audit indicate there is a low level of confidence that the objectives in the Farm Environment Plan are being met; or ii. the area of irrigated land has increased, as compared with the area of land that was irrigated at the time of the most recent audit; or iii. the area of land used for winter grazing has increased, as compared with the area of land that was used for winter grazing at the time of the most recent audit. 		
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Section 13 Policies		Will your proposal help achieve this?	Explanation where relevant
13.4.10	<p>Improve the overall water quality in the Hinds/Hekeao Plains Area by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) establishing two management areas the Upper Hinds/Hekeao Plains Area and Lower Hinds/Hekeao Plains Area; (b) improving management of nitrogen, microbial contaminants, phosphorus and sediment in both areas; (c) restricting increases in nitrogen losses in the Upper Hinds/Hekeao Plains Area; (d) reducing overall nitrogen losses by 45F1 percent in the Lower Hinds/Hekeao Plains Area; and (e) adopting the use of managed aquifer recharge and targeted stream augmentation to augment groundwater and/or surface water. 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
13.4.11	<p>Reduce discharges of microbial contaminants, phosphorus and sediments in the Hinds/Hekeao Plains Area by:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) implementing the region-wide stock exclusion rules; and (aa) excluding cattle, pigs and deer from drains; and (bb) establishing phosphorus limits for 'Hill-fed Upland' surface water bodies; and (b) implementing the farm practices in Schedule 24a; or (c) preparing and implementing Farm Environment Plans, in accordance with Schedule 7. 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
13.4.12	<p>Recognise the cultural significance of the Hekeao/Hinds River to Ngāi Tahu and enable Ngāi Tahu to exercise kaitiakitanga and mahinga kai in the catchment through:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) continual improvement in the flows in lowland streams and springs over time; (b) continual reductions in the concentrations of nitrogen in groundwater over time; (c) minimising the potential discharge of contaminants into water through land use practices, riparian management, and waterway and drain maintenance; and (d) encouraging the protection or restoration of natural wetland areas and other mahinga kai. 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	

<p>13.4.13</p>	<p>Manage surface water quality, particularly in-stream nitrate-nitrogen and dissolved reactive phosphorus concentrations, in the Upper Hinds/Hekeao Plains Area by:</p> <p>(a) requiring, from 1 January 2017, all farming activities to operate at good management practice while allowing farming activities that have a nitrogen loss calculation less than 15 kgN per hectare per year at 1 September 2015 to increase their nitrogen losses up to but not exceeding 15 kgN per hectare per year; and</p> <p>(b) requiring that if at 1 September 2015 a property's nitrogen loss calculation is greater than 15kgN per hectare per year, there are further reductions in nitrogen loss over time (beyond any reduction that could be reasonably expected from the implementation of good management practices) that result in reductions in nitrogen loss, relative to the property's 1 September 2015 nitrogen loss calculation, of not less than:</p> <p>(i) 15% by 1 January 2025 (ii) 25% by 1 January 2030 (iii) 36% by 1 January 2035 provided that these nitrogen loss reductions do not require the property's nitrogen loss calculation to reduce below 20 kgN per hectare per year.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p>	
<p>13.4.14</p>	<p>By 2035, improve water quality in the Lower Hinds/Hekeao Plains Area to achieve the target nitrate toxicity limits set out in Table 13(j) for 'Hill-fed Lower' and 'Spring-fed Plains' surface waterbodies, and an annual average groundwater nitrate-nitrogen concentration of 6.9 mg/L by:</p> <p>(a) reducing the discharge of nitrogen from farming activities in fulfilment of Policy 13.4.15; and</p> <p>(b) implementing Managed Aquifer Recharge and Targeted Stream Augmentation.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p>	
<p>13.4.13</p>	<p>By 2035, farming activities and farming enterprises in the Lower Hinds/Hekeao Plains Area, whether or not they are supplied with water by an irrigation scheme or a principal water supplier, collectively achieve Policy 13.4.14 by:</p> <p>(a) requiring, from 1 January 2017, all existing farming activities to discharge no more nitrogen than the loss rate that could be reasonably expected from the implementation of good management practices, from 1 January 2017, calculated on the baseline land use taking into account:</p> <p>(i) The type of farming activity; and (ii) The drainage characteristics of the soil; and (iii) The climatic conditions and topography of the property; and (iv) The type of irrigation system used (if any); and (v) Whether the practices set out in Schedule 24a have been fully adopted; and</p> <p>(b) subject to Policy 13.4.15(a), allowing farming activities that have a nitrogen loss calculation less than 15 kgN per hectare per year at 1 September 2015 to increase their nitrogen losses up to but not exceeding 15 kgN per hectare per year; and</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p>	

	<p>(c) (subject to Policy 13.4.15(a), enabling farming activities that have a nitrogen loss calculation between 15 kgN per hectare per year and 20 kgN per hectare per year at 1 September 2015 to apply for resource consent to increase their nitrogen losses up to but not exceeding 20 kgN per hectare per year; and</p> <p>(d) requiring that if at 1 September 2015 a property's nitrogen loss calculation is greater than 20 kgN per hectare per year, there are further reductions in nitrogen loss over time (beyond any reduction resulting from Policy 13.4.13(a)) that result in reductions in nitrogen losses (relative to the property's 1 September 2015 nitrogen loss calculation) of not less than:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) 15% by 1 January 2025 (ii) 25% by 1 January 2030 (iii) 36% by 1 January 2035 <p>provided that these nitrogen loss reductions do not require the property's nitrogen loss calculation to reduce below 20 kgN per hectare per year; and</p> <p>(e) requiring that the total aggregated nitrogen losses from properties where the nitrogen losses are managed by an irrigation scheme or principal water supplier be limited as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) land either: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. irrigated with water first lawfully supplied by an irrigation scheme or principal water supplier before the granting of CRC121664 or CRC162882; or b. not irrigated but where the nitrogen losses are accounted for under a resource consent held by an irrigation scheme or principal water supplier; is subject to Policies 13.4.15(a) and 13.4.15(d) except if Policies 13.4.15(b) or 13.4.15(c) apply; (ii) land first irrigated with water lawfully supplied by an irrigation scheme or principal water supplier for irrigation authorised and established under and prior to the expiry of resource consent CRC121664 or CRC162882 is limited to a nitrogen loss calculation of 27 kgN7 per hectare per year; (iii) land otherwise irrigated with water supplied by an irrigation scheme or principal water supplier for irrigation is subject to Policies 13.1.15(a) and 13.4.15(d) except if Policies 13.4.15(b) or 13.4.15(c) apply; <p>f) except as provided for by Policies 13.4.15(b), (c) and (e), not allowing any land use intensification, changes in land use, or new irrigation that would increase the nitrogen loss above the land's nitrogen baseline until the average groundwater nitrogen concentration in the Lower Hinds/Hekeao Plains sub-region is below 6.9 mg /L.</p>		
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13.4.16	<p>If the separate nitrogen loss rate reductions in fulfilment of Policy 13.4.13(b)(i) to (iii) and Policy 13.4.15(d)(i) to (iii) are unable to be achieved by their target dates, any proposed extension of time to achieve the reductions will be assessed having regard, among other matters, to:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> the nitrogen baseline and the level of any enduring nitrogen loss rate reduction already achieved from that baseline; and the implications for fully achieving the target nitrate-nitrogen concentrations in Policy 13.4.14 by 2035; and the capital and operational costs of making nitrogen loss rate reductions and the benefit (in terms of maintaining a farming activity's financial viability) of spreading that investment over time; and the nature, sequencing, measurability and enforceability of any steps proposed to achieve the nitrogen loss rate reductions. 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
13.5.17	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> Enable the establishment of farming enterprises in circumstances where, for the purpose of nutrient management, the nitrogen loss from the total farming activity does not exceed the aggregate of the nitrogen baselines of all the land used in the enterprise, and any time-framed reductions set out in Policy 13.4.15 are achieved (whether or not the land is held in single, multiple, or common ownership). Enable the disestablishment of farming enterprises, provided the land formerly used in the enterprise does not exceed either: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> the individual nitrogen baseline of the land, taking account of any applicable timeframed reductions set out in Policy 13.4.15; or a nitrogen baseline limit, to be determined so that the aggregate of the baselines of all the land formerly used in the enterprise, following any time-framed reductions set out in Policy 13.4.15, is not exceeded. 		

1.1.2. CANTERBURY LAND & WATER REGIONAL PLAN: OBJECTIVES

Objectives	Will your proposal help achieve this?	Explanation where relevant
3.1	Land and water are managed as integrated natural resources to recognise and enable Ngāi Tahu culture, traditions, customary uses and relationships with land and water.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A
3.6	Water is recognised as essential to all life and is respected for its intrinsic values.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A
3.7	Fresh water is managed prudently as a shared resource with many in-stream and out-of-stream values.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A

3.8	The quality and quantity of water in fresh water bodies and their catchments is managed to safeguard the life-supporting capacity of ecosystems and ecosystem processes, including ensuring sufficient flow and quality of water to support the habitat and feeding, breeding, migratory and other behavioural requirements of indigenous species, nesting birds and, where appropriate, trout and salmon.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
3.8A	High quality fresh water is available to meet actual and reasonably foreseeable needs for community drinking water supplies.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
3.14	Outstanding fresh water bodies and hāpua and their margins are maintained in a healthy state or are improved where degraded.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
3.15	Those parts of lakes and rivers that are valued by the community for recreation are suitable for contact recreation.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
3.17	The significant indigenous biodiversity values of rivers, wetlands and hāpua are protected.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
3.23	Soils are healthy and productive, and human-induced erosion and contamination are minimised.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
3.24	All activities operate at “good environmental practice” or better to optimise efficient resource use and protect the region’s fresh water resources from quality and quantity degradation.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	

1.1.3. CANTERBURY LAND & WATER REGIONAL PLAN: OTHER RELEVANT POLICES OR OBJECTIVES

Policies and Objectives	Will your proposal help achieve this?	Explanation where relevant
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	

1.2.1 CANTERBURY REGIONAL POLICY STATEMENT 2013

The CANTERBURY REGIONAL POLICY STATEMENT as it was given effect to through the objectives, policies and rules in the CANTERBURY LAND & WATER REGIONAL PLAN.

Operative Policies	Will your proposal help achieve this?	Explanation where relevant

5.3.12	<p>Rural production (Wider Region)</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
	<p>Maintain and enhance natural and physical resources contributing to Canterbury's overall rural productive economy in areas which are valued for existing or foreseeable future primary production, by:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. avoiding development, and/or fragmentation which; <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. forecloses the ability to make appropriate use of that land for primary production; and/or b. results in reverse sensitivity effects that limit or precludes primary production. 2. enabling tourism, employment and recreational development in rural areas, provided that it: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. is consistent and compatible with rural character, activities, and an open rural environment; b. has a direct relationship with or is dependent upon rural activities, rural resources or raw material inputs sourced from within the rural area; c. is not likely to result in proliferation of employment (including that associated with industrial activities) that is not linked to activities or raw material inputs sourced from within the rural area; and d. is of a scale that would not compromise the primary focus for accommodating growth in consolidated, well designed and more sustainable development patterns; and 3. ensuring that rural land use intensification does not contribute to significant cumulative adverse effects on water quality and quantity. 		
7.3.6	<p>Fresh water quality</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
	<p>In relation to water quality:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. to establish and implement minimum water quality standards for surface water and groundwater resources in the region, which are appropriate for each water body considering: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a. the values associated with maintaining life supporting capacity, ecosystem processes and indigenous species including their associated ecosystems, and natural character of the water body; b. any current and reasonably 		

	<p>foreseeable requirement to use the water for individual, marae or community drinking water or stockwater supplies, customary uses or contact recreation;</p> <p>c. the cultural significance of the fresh water body and any conditions or restrictions on the discharge of contaminants that may be necessary or appropriate to protect those values; and</p> <p>d. any other current or reasonably foreseeable values or uses; and</p> <p>2. to manage activities which may affect water quality (including land uses), singularly or cumulatively, to maintain water quality at or above the minimum standard set for that water body; and</p> <p>3. where water quality is below the minimum water quality standard set for that water body, to avoid any additional allocation of water for abstraction from that water body and any additional discharge of contaminants to that water body, where any further abstraction or discharges, either singularly or cumulatively, may further adversely affect the water quality in that water body:</p> <p>a. until the water quality standards for that water body are met; or</p> <p>b. unless the activities are undertaken as part of an integrated solution to water management in the catchment in accordance with Policy 7.3.9, which provides for the redress of water quality within that water body within a specified timeframe.</p>		
<p>7.3.2</p>	<p>Water quality and land uses</p> <p>To avoid, remedy or mitigate adverse effects of changes in land uses on the quality of fresh water (surface or ground) by:</p> <p>1. identifying catchments where water quality may be adversely affected, either singularly or cumulatively, by increases in the application of nutrients to land or other changes in land use; and</p> <p>2. controlling changes in land uses to ensure water quality standards are maintained or where water quality is already below the minimum standard for the water body, it is improved to the minimum standard within an appropriate timeframe.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p>	

<p>9.3.5</p>	<p>Wetland protection and enhancement</p> <p>In relation to wetlands:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To assess an ecologically significant wetland against the matters set out in Policy 9.3.1 and the national priorities listed in Policy 9.3.2. For the purposes of this policy, ecologically significant wetlands do not include areas that are both predominately pasture and dominated by exotic plant species and where they are not significant habitats of indigenous fauna. 2. To ensure that the natural, physical, cultural, amenity, recreational and historic heritage values of Canterbury's ecologically significant wetlands are protected. 3. To generally promote the protection, enhancement and restoration of all of Canterbury's remaining wetlands. 4. To encourage the formation of created wetlands that contribute to the restoration of indigenous biodiversity. 5. To protect adjoining areas of indigenous and other vegetation which extend outside an ecologically significant wetland and are necessary for the ecological functioning of the wetland. 	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p>	
<p>10.3.1</p>	<p>Activities in river and lake beds and their riparian zones</p> <p>To provide for activities in river and lake beds and their riparian zones, including the planting and removal of vegetation and the removal of bed material, while:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. recognising the implications of the activity on the whole catchment; 2. ensuring that significant bed and riparian zone values are maintained or enhanced; or 3. avoiding significant adverse effects on the values of those beds and their riparian zones, unless they are necessary for the maintenance, operation, upgrade, and repair of essential structures, or for the prevention of losses from floods, in which case significant adverse effects should be mitigated or remedied. 	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p>	
<p>10.3.2</p>	<p>Protection and enhancement of areas of river and lake beds and their riparian zones</p> <p>To preserve the natural character of river and lake beds and their margins and protect them from inappropriate subdivision, use and development, and where appropriate to maintain and/or enhance areas of river and lake beds and their margins and riparian zones where:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. they exist in a degraded state and enhancement will achieve long-term improvement in those values; 2. they have ecological values for which 	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p>	

	<p>protection and/or enhancement will assist in the establishment or re-establishment of indigenous biodiversity or ecosystems, particularly for ecosystems that are threatened or unrepresented in protected areas;</p> <p>3. they have existing significant trout or salmon habitat;</p> <p>4. maintenance and/or enhancement will improve or establish connections between habitats and create corridors for indigenous species and trout and salmon and their movement between areas;</p> <p>5. riparian zones provide a buffer from activities that may adversely affect bed values;</p> <p>6. opportunities exist to create habitat corridors for plants and animals; or</p> <p>7. riparian zones provide spawning or other significant habitats for at risk or threatened species, such as inanga or Canterbury mudfish.</p>		
15.3.2	<p>Avoid and remedy significant induced soil erosion</p> <p>To avoid significant new induced soil erosion resulting from the use of land and as far as practicable remedy or mitigate significant induced soil erosion where it has occurred. Particular focus is to be given to the desirability of maintaining vegetative cover on non-arable land.</p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	

1.2.2. CANTERBURY REGIONAL POLICY STATEMENT 2013: OTHER RELEVANT POLICES OR OBJECTIVES

Policies and Objectives	Will your proposal help achieve this?	Explanation where relevant
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	

1.3. NATIONAL POLICY STATEMENT (NPS) FOR FRESHWATER MANAGEMENT 2020

This National Policy Statement was approved by the Governor-General under section 52(2) of the Resource Management Act 1991 on 3 August 2020, and is published by the Minister for the Environment under section 54 of that Act.

The proposed activity will be consistent/inconsistent with the following objectives and policies of the NATIONAL POLICY STATEMENT (NPS) FOR FRESHWATER.

Policies and Objectives	Will your proposal help achieve this?	Explanation where relevant

		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
		<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	

1.4. Resource Management (National Environmental Standards for Freshwater) Regulations 2020

The Resource Management (National Environmental Standards for Freshwater) Regulations 2020 (Freshwater NES) regulates activities that pose risks to the health of freshwater and freshwater ecosystems. The regulations came into force on 3 September 2020, however:

- Subpart 3 of Part 2 (intensive winter grazing) comes into force on 1 May 2021; and
- Stockholding areas other than feedlots and application of synthetic nitrogen fertiliser to pastoral land come into force on 1 July 2021.

	Relevant to this application	Comment
Part 2: Standards for farming Activities		
<i>Subpart 1: Feedlots and other stockholding areas</i>		
Feedlots	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/a	
Stockholding areas other than feedlots	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/a	
<i>Subpart 2: Agricultural intensification temporary standards</i>		
Conversion of plantation forest to pastoral land use	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/a	
Conversion of land on farm to dairy farmland	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/a	
Irrigation of dairy farmland	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/a	
Use of land as dairy support	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/a	
<i>Subpart 3: Intensive winter grazing</i>		
Intensification: temporary standards	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/a	
<i>Subpart 4: Application of synthetic nitrogen to land</i>		
Part 3 – Standards for other activities that relate to freshwater		
<i>Subpart: 1 Natural wetland</i>		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/a	
<i>Subpart 2: Reclamation of rivers</i>		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/a	
<i>Subpart 3: Passage of fish affected by structures</i>		
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/a	

1.5. RESOURCE MANAGEMENT (STOCK EXCLUSION) REGULATIONS 2020

These Regulations were made under section 360 of the Resource Management Act 1991 on 3 August 2020. These relate to all properties, regardless of size.

The proposed activity will be consistent with the RESOURCE MANAGEMENT (STOCK EXCLUSION) REGULATIONS 2020.

Yes No N/A

1.6. RESOURCE MANAGEMENT (NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARDS FOR SOURCES OF HUMAN DRINKING WATER) REGULATIONS 2007

The proposed activity will be consistent with the NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARDS FOR SOURCES OF HUMAN DRINKING WATER) REGULATIONS 2007 as it was given effect to through the objectives, policies and rules in the CANTERBURY LAND & WATER REGIONAL PLAN.

Yes No N/A

Or, the proposed activity will be consistent with the following objectives and policies of the NATIONAL ENVIRONMENTAL STANDARDS FOR SOURCES OF HUMAN DRINKING WATER) REGULATIONS 2007:

Policies and Objectives	Will your proposal help achieve this?	Explanation where relevant
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	

1.7. RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT PART 2 - PURPOSE AND PRINCIPLES

1.5.1. Section 5 – Purpose

Sub-section	Is your activity consistent with this?	Explanation where relevant
<p>The purpose of this Act is to promote the sustainable management of natural and physical resources.</p> <p>In this Act, sustainable management means managing the use, development, and protection of natural and physical resources in a way, or at a rate, which enables people and communities to provide for their social, economic, and cultural wellbeing and for their health and safety while—</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) Sustaining the potential of natural and physical resources (excluding minerals) to meet the reasonably foreseeable needs of future generations; and (b) Safeguarding the life-supporting capacity of air, water, soil, and ecosystems; and (c) Avoiding, remedying, or mitigating any adverse effects of activities on the environment. 	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	

1.5.2. Section 6 - Matters of national importance

Recognise and provide for the following:	Does your activity recognise and provide for these?	Explanation where relevant
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. the preservation of the natural character of the coastal environment, wetlands, and lakes and rivers and their margins, and the protection of them from inappropriate subdivision, use, and development. b. the protection of outstanding natural features and landscapes from inappropriate subdivision, use, and development. c. the protection of areas of significant indigenous vegetation and significant habitats of indigenous fauna. d. the maintenance and enhancement of public access to and along the coastal marine area, lakes and rivers. e. the relationship of Maori and their culture and traditions with their ancestral lands, water, sites, wahi tapu, and other taonga. f. the protection of historic heritage from inappropriate subdivision, use, and development. g. the protection of recognised customary activities. 	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p>	

1.5.3. Section 7 - Other matters

Have particular regard to the following:	Has your activity had regard to these?	Explanation where relevant
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> a. kaitiakitanga. aa. the ethic of stewardship. b. the efficient use and development of natural and physical resources. ba. the efficiency of the end use of energy. c. the maintenance and enhancement of amenity values. d. intrinsic values of ecosystems. e. (repealed) f. maintenance and enhancement of the quality of the environment. g. any finite characteristics of natural and physical resources. h. the protection of the habitat of trout and salmon. i. the effects of climate change. j. the benefits to be derived from the use and developments of renewable energy. 	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p>	

1.5.4. Section 8 - Treaty of Waitangi

Take into account the principles of the Treaty of Waitangi.	Has your activity taken into account these?	Explanation where relevant
	<p><input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/></p>	

<p>The Court of Appeal has identified four principles, which form the basis of developing a relationship of partnership and communication. These are the Essential Bargain, Tribal Self-Regulation, The Treaty Relationship, and Active Protection.</p>	<p>Yes</p>	<p>No</p>	<p>N/A</p>
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2 SECTION TWO: RELEVANT KAUPAPA (POLICIES) AND OBJECTIVES FROM NGĀI TAHU IWI MANAGEMENT PLANS (IMPs)

As part of your application (required under s88 of the Resource Management Act), you should consider your proposal against the policies (kaupapa) and objectives of the relevant IMPs for your location.

The Ngāi Tahu Freshwater Policy Statement applies to all areas of Canterbury. You should therefore assess your activity against all of the listed policies and objectives.

Next determine the relevant Papatipu rūnanga in relation to your farm and assess your activity against the policies and objectives listed under the relevant IMP.

Note: Please refer to <http://canterburymaps.govt.nz/> and search "Farming Activity Resource Consents" to find information on areas of Papatipu rūnanga

Papatipu Rūnanga	Name of IMP	Areas applies to	Sub-section of this form to be completed
Kaikōura	Te Poha O Tohu Raumati	Hapuku River to the Conway River	2.2.1
		Conway River to the Hurunui River and inland to the main divide	2.2.2
		Coastal area	2.2.3
Te Taumutu, Te Ngāi Tūāhuriri, Te Hapū o Ngāti Wheke (Rāpaki), Ōnuku, Koukourāata, & Wairewa Rūnanga	Mahaanui Iwi Management Plan	From the Hurunui River to the Hakatere/ Ashburton River	2.3
Arowhenua & Waihao Rūnanga	Iwi Management Plan of Kati Huirapa for the area Rakaia to Waitaki	Rakaia to Waitaki Rivers	2.4
Moeraki & Waihao	Kai Tahu Ki Otago Natural Resource Management Plan	Waitaki Catchment	2.5

2.1 NGĀI TAHU FRESHWATER POLICY STATEMENT (ALL AREAS OF CANTERBURY)

Kaupapa		Will your proposal assist in achieving this?	Explanation where relevant
Maui objective	Restore, maintain and protect the mauri of freshwater resources	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A	
Mahinga kai objective	To maintain vital, healthy mahinga kai populations and habitats capable of sustaining harvesting activity.	Yes No N/A	
Mahinga kai Policy 3	Ensure that activities in the upper catchments have no adverse effect on mahinga kai resources in the lower catchments.	Yes No N/A	

2.2 **IMP: IWI MANAGEMENT PLAN OF KATI HUIRAPA FOR THE AREA RAKAIA TO WAITAKI (TAKIWĀ OF BOTH AROWHENUA & WAIHAO RŪNANGA)** (Area: Rakaia to Waitaki Rivers)

Kaupapa		Will your proposal assist in achieving this?	Explanation where relevant
<p>Part One – Land, Water and Air Policies</p>	<p>All waters to be the highest classified standard of water quality, with no waste discharges.</p>	<p><input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No <input type="checkbox"/> N/A</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/> <input type="checkbox"/></p>	