

Proposed Natural Resources Plan:

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Electronic communication

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Trade competition

I/we **could not** gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission. [Go straight to **Your Submission**]

I/we **could** gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission.
 If you **could** gain an advantage please complete one of the following:

- I/we **are** directly affected by an effect of the subject matter of my submission that adversely affects the environment and does not relate to trade competition or the effects of trade competition.
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Your submission

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	Reasons for my submission: →	<p>RULE R82 & INTERPRETATION</p> <p>When used appropriately chicken manure is highly effective in soil conditioning and providing nutrients for pasture and crop uptake without undue adverse effects on the environment, and reducing the need for synthetic fertilisers. This provides a sustainable outcome both in terms of sustainable use of a waste product and economic benefits for land users and operators.</p> <p>The Proposed Plan is currently ambiguous. The use of fertiliser is a</p>

		<p>permitted activity (Rule R82), and the definition of "Fertiliser" excludes "compost" but not poultry effluent." However Rule R83 then provides a "catch-all" controlled activity rule for all animal effluent, including poultry effluent.</p> <p>It is clear that the intent of the rule is primarily to manage dairy farm effluent, and that all other effluent has been "lumped in".</p> <p>The use of raw chicken effluent for soil condition and fertiliser is appropriate and in many circumstances can be undertaken in accordance with standard separate distances without risk of any adverse effect which is any more than minor. The current rule imposes significant unnecessary costs on producers and farmers and creates an unnecessary and significant barrier to the sustainable and efficient use of a natural waste product.</p>
	<p>I seek the following decision from WRC (give precise details): →</p>	<p>That:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. the definition of animal effluent be amended to exclude dry poultry manure; or 2. the discharge of raw poultry manure solids (where moisture levels by weight are less than 40%) to land for soil conditioning and fertilising pasture and cropping land be provided for as a permitted activity, subject to fair and reasonable standards; and 3. any related or consequential amendments to give effect to the intent of this submission.

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	<p>Reasons for my submission: →</p>	<p>RULE R83</p> <p>The intent of Rule R83 to provide for the discharge of collected animal effluent as it relates to poultry farm effluent with high water content is supported in principle, but the following matters are of concern:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The matters of control are clearly targeted toward dairy farming, and of limited or no relevance to other farming types (in particular Matter 2); 2. Matter 5 duplicates Matter 4 and partially Matter 8, and is unnecessary.
	<p>I seek the following decision from WRC (give precise details): →</p>	<p>That Rule R83 be amended as follows, or similar with the same intent and effect:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. That R83(c) be amended to read "poultry farms (except as provided for in Rule R82 as a permitted activity)"; and 2. That R83 Matter 2 be amended to read "For dairy farm activities, maximum herd size for the property"; 3. That Matter 3 be amended to read "Nutrient loading rates, from the perspective of the ability of the soil and any pasture or crops to assimilate any nutrients and the effects of overland flow to be managed", and 4. That R83 Matter 5 be deleted in its entirety.

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If you have more submissions you wish to make, please find more boxes at the bottom of this document

Attendance and wish to be heard at hearing(s)

- I/We do wish to be heard in support of my/our submission
[Note: This means that you wish to speak in support of your submission at the hearing(s).]
- I/We do not wish to be heard in support of my/our submission
[Note: This means that you cannot speak at the hearing. However, you will still retain your right to appeal any decision made by the Wellington Regional Council to the Environment Court.]
- If others make a similar submission, I will consider presenting a joint case with them at a hearing.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

[Person making submission or person authorised to sign on behalf of person making submission. NB. Not required if making an electronic submission]

Publication of details

Wellington Regional Council is legally required to notify a summary of submissions, including your name and address for service as provided on this submission form. Your name and address are included so that a person making a further submission is able to serve you with a copy of it.

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