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Proposed Plan Change 1 to the Natural Resources Plan for the Wellington Region (Plan Change 1)

I do not stand to gain commercial advantage from my submission.

I wish to be heard in support of my submission.

I am completely opposed to the plan change 1.

1. Small farm registration – farms of 4 hectares or more

The requirement is for small farms to be registered as at 30th October 2023. Land owners are required to provide a complex range of information including average stocking rates. Most farm blocks under 20 Hectares are used as lifestyle/hobby land. Furthermore, all large animals/livestock welfare should remain under MPI not GWRC who have demonstrated to not fully understand hobby farming at all.

2. Total Lack of Consultation

The majority of the rural community only discovered the existence of this Plan Change by word of mouth circulating through our close-knit community.

I am seeking the following relief:

Total Lack of Consultation

- Withdraw the Plan Change in total.

Small farm registration – farms of 4 hectares or more

- Delete the requirement for farms of 4 ha to register with GWRC

End of submission.