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This is a submission on Proposed Plan Change 10 (Lake Rotorua Nutrient Management) to the BOP Regional Water and Land Plan.

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Proposed Plan Change 10

I submit to the Rotorua District Council that the above plan will do nothing but damage to the people and finances of Rotorua City and its rural surrounds.

I make a significant proportion of my income from farming my 8 hectare lifestyle block. In an attempt to be a responsible farmer I have been successfully farming without applying nitrogen for approximately seven years.

This proposed new plan tells me that I will have to cut back my livestock numbers because we have to reduce the amount of nitrogen entering the lake. The plan also tells me that I will no longer be rearing calves to supplement my income because I will have to get councils permission to do this on my own property. This proposed plan will very effectively cut my income and the income of the local livestock transport company, the stock agent that sells the stock, the accountant the freezing works and on and on I could go. The agricultural contractors that make hay and silage will no longer get any work at all from me. How can this be good for the district that this council manages?

I have listed some further projects for the council to consider. I believe that these would assist to clean up the lake much more effectively;

This catchment now has more people than farmed livestock when is the council planning on reducing the number of humans, their chemicals and effluent from the Rotorua catchment.

When will the number of motor vehicles on the roads be reduced. These produce literally tons of rubber, oil and exhaust waist that is washed into the lake. Very toxic chemicals are also washed off the bitumen roads into the lake. These toxins are not natural and cannot ever be removed from the lake but apparently they are OK and we won't go there.

Remove all of the pine trees from the catchment. These produce large quantities of pollen that is asphyxiating our community and filling the lake with tonnes of highly nutritious pollen. Tourists do not come to the North Island to see exotic pine trees, they come here to see our beautiful green farmland.

Why doesn't the council do something about the enormous amount of plastic bags and rubbish that are washed from the city into the lake every time it rains? The plastic rubbish in particular will not break down but apparently this is OK as well.

What about removing the rafts of plastic bottles that were created? These bottles are grinding together and releasing toxins into the water. These toxins can never be removed.

No we must focus on nitrogen that is a totally natural product that is even in the air that we breathe. Ironically it is nitrogen that makes our farmland the beautiful green colour that people come here to see.

So let's calm down the green voters by sacrificing the rural people. Isn't it great how totally unrelated ideological people can so effectively axe another group just to satisfy their own dreams. When you have pushed this plan on through you will be able to keep on reducing the livestock

numbers and we can be financially harnessed to pay for the newly created rural enforcement officers who will be effectively putting a whole lot of people quietly out of business.

Has the council ever wondered why people don't bother to vote at the elections? It is because you push through policies like this that most people only pay lip service to but really don't care about.

PR Seymour.

Rotorua.