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Dear MfE

Re Water Quality in New Zealand Rivers

- 1- I would like ALL cattle (and deer), not just dairy herds, to be kept out of rivers AND STREAMS. They cause pollution and erosion.
- 2-This needs to be a legal requirement and not just 'farmers will be jolly sensible'. A farmer upstream from me has had several visits from our local council re his cattle in the stream and has taken absolutely no action. So this stream, a tributary and therefore going directly into, a major river, is full of piddle and poop. Is he the only one in NZ?
- 3-Perhaps MfE could contribute to fencing, preferably by a farmer levy, not just non-farming taxpayers.
- 4- "Clean green" is now so untrue but still attracts tourists. Levying tourists a small amount, say \$10, on entering the country, and splitting it between DoC and MfE waterways protection, could be partial funding for (3) above.
- 5-'Swimmable' is a truly great goal and should not be dumbed down to 'wade-able'.

Yours
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