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Some of my views.

I am [REDACTED] from [REDACTED]

My Qualifications include the following

Tertiary qualifications in [REDACTED]

[REDACTED]

I successfully raised Beef, Pigs, small animals, hundreds of birds and thousands of begonias and food from fruit trees and crops. I have farmed for over forty years. I am STILL farming this property.

[REDACTED]

I have fenced off much of my farm (at ,mainly, my own expense) to preserve the patches of beautiful.

and rare native trees and plants. Some are quite rare. I have also planted many rare natives in amongst them (including Kauri trees).

In other words I am a dedicated Farmer AND Conservationist with suitable qualifications  
The following are some of the proposals for NPSIB which ,not only concern me, but could be disastrous if implemented if not modified..

3.6 I oppose. Why?

Must be definite and correct to help those people wanting to work the land and make a living for themselves and family and also to improve the Country's economy. Therefore must be accurately informed before decisions are made and MUST consult Farmers who actually work the land and not just listening to academic consultants who have never farmed for a living. The latters' views can be "way off beam!".

3.7 support. The well being of the land and people must be economic. Get the landowners/farmers "on side" to enable them to make a good living whilst still protecting the environment .Work together!! A combined effort will get the best results for all.

3.8 Again work with the landowners on a one -on -one basis. Don't make rules from non farming academics.

Tax payers should pay the costs NOT the ratepayers as farmers pay huge rates for little services that are supplied to city ratepayers.

Rates should be a tax on People not just landowners!

3.9 New farming and horticultural ideas should be encouraged and supported.(e.g. Chinese Gooseberries.. was a weed and is now a multimillion dollar business for New Zealand.A huge employer too! Support these possible new ideas and methods

3.12 Many farmers, at their own cost, have fenced off and preserved native bush and other special on farm features.(rocks etc)Why should the proposed new rules unfairly penalise them?

These new rules if implemented would close down thousands of Life Stylers who between then produce millions of dollars worth of food and overseas funds.Closing them will

cripple our Country.

3.15 A ridiculous suggestion. "ALL" our land is flown over by native bats and birds. e.g Cuckoos, Kereru, Tui, bats, sea gulls Kaka, kakariki, etc. We would have no farms left and the people of N.Z. would starve.

3.17 City Councils and people must "Front Up" and make more parks, plant more trees and ""squash" wealthy sub dividers from chopping down mature native trees just to make more money for themselves. e.g. in Three mile Bush and Tikipunga in Whangarei City

It would not be fair for only farmers to have to protect these wonderful trees at their own considerable cost. City dwellers must "front up". too!

How the proposed plan could affect me.

Even though I have spent [REDACTED] over the years to save, grow and enhance my native bush I could now have to close down the rest of the farm, sell the cattle and just let the weeds grow and "boy " how they can grow in Northland's subtropical climate!!!

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