

I write to state my concern at the following amendment to the **National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management** which sets a standard for *Secondary contact recreation as water which:*

"...will not present unacceptable risks to human health when used for wading or boating (except boating where there is a high likelihood of immersion)" and "...there would be no more than moderate risk of infection or illness to people when wading or boating...that do not involve immersion in the water."

This standard will allow the burgeoning dairy industry to continue to overstock farmland and enable the continual nitrate enrichment of waterways from cow urine and nitrogen fertilisers. All our wonderful waterways should become swimmable.

Please reconsider this ill advised legislation. Short term economic gain by allowing continual pollution of our waterways will eventually lead to the collapse of our food production industries and destroy our tourism potential.

Yours aye,

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