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FS364

RE: Further Submission on the Proposed Far North District Plan

1. Details of persons making further submission

New Zealand Eco Farms Ltd (NZEF) Ref: 17001 C/- Reyburn and Bryant Attention: Joseph Henehan PO Box 191 WHANGAREI

2. General statement

NZEF has an interest in the submission that is greater than the interest of the general public. They are directly affected by the plan changes.

NZEF support submission number 456.

3. Background and context

The original submission

The original NZEF submission sought the following relief:

- That the Horticultural Zone pertaining to the site is amended to accurately reflect mapped highly versatile soils/highly productive land, or, that the Horticultural Zone is abandoned in its entirety.
- That the definition of 'Highly Productive Land' in the PDP is amended to align with the NPS HPL. Specifically, the definition should be amended to exclude the specific reference to LUC 4 soils.
- That SUB-R6 'Environmental Benefit Subdivision' and RDIS-6 are amended to be more enabling.

4. The specific provisions of the submission this further submission relates to are:

The proposed Horticultural Zoning of the subject site.

- 5. The reasons for making the further submission are as follows:
 - a. To submit a supplementary soil and resource report that has been prepared by Hanmore Land Management. This report confirms that only low-lying areas in southern and central portions of the site are considered to be 'Highly Productive' in the context of the National Policy Statement for Highly Productive Land (NPS-HPL). As a result, this conclusion further supports the submission made by NZEF that the proposed Horticultural Zone for the entire farm is inappropriate.
 - b. The relief proposed in the NZEF original submission represents the most effective and efficient use of the land.
 - c. The relief proposed best achieves sustainable management under Part 2 of the RMA.
- 6. NZEF seek that the whole of submission 456 be adopted. FS364.001 FS364.003
- 7. NZEF wish to be heard in support of their further submission at a hearing if one is held.

Joseph Henehan Planning Consultant

On behalf of the New Zealand Eco Farms Ltd

Dated this 4th September 2023