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## Proposed District Plan submission form

Clause 6 of Schedule 1, Resource Management Act 1991

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Form 5: Submission on Proposed Far North District Plan

TO: Far North District Council

This is a submission on the Proposed District Plan for the Far North District.

### 1. Submitter details:

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2. (Please select one of the two options below)

- I **could not** gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission  
 I **could** gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission

*If you could gain an advantage in trade competition through this submission, please complete point 3 below*

3.  I **am** directly affected by an effect of the subject matter of the submission that:

- (A) Adversely affects the environment; and  
 (B) Does not relate to trade competition or the effect of trade competition

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*Note: if you are a person who could gain advantage in trade competition through the submission, your right to make a submission may be limited by clause 6(4) of Part 1 of Schedule 1 of the Resource Management Act 1991*

**The specific provisions of the Plan that my submission relates to are:**

*(please provide details including the reference number of the specific provision you are submitting on)*

Planning Maps – Rural Lifestyle Zone

Confirm your position:  Support  Support In-part  Oppose  
*(please tick relevant box)*



**My submission is:**

*(Include details and reasons for your position)*

The Rural Lifestyle Zone is a sound concept that has been under applied across the district. It has been severely restricted to only a few areas and can and should be applied elsewhere, especially where there are enclaves of rural land already in blocks of less than 8ha which, according to the Council's own proposed minimum lot sizes, is a size no longer suitable for rural production use.

There are many 'eligible' areas, currently zoned Rural Production, General Coastal and Coastal Living in the Operative District Plan, that would be able to, and are appropriate to, support Rural Lifestyle use as a sustainable use of natural and physical resources.

The zoning should be applied to land already meeting the criteria outlined in RLZ-O2, particularly:

- Low density residential activities;
- Small scale farming activities with limited buildings and structures;
- Smaller lot sizes than Rural Production Zone;

The zoning could also apply to rural land that is not highly productive or contain highly versatile soils. If land is not suitable for economically sustainable productive purposes because of poor soil, other inhibiting factors that render productive use not practical, and/or small lot sizes, then why not utilise the land for rural lifestyle use? This would not be contrary to any central government or regional council mandates.

The Council appears to wrongly assume that all land zoned Rural Production is suitable for Rural Production use. The Council is clearly out of touch with its rural community (most of its district).

**I seek the following decision from the Council:**

*(Give precise details. If seeking amendments, how would you like to see the provision amended?)*

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Review the zoning of the district to identify additional areas that can and should be zoned Rural Lifestyle.

I wish to be heard in support of my submission

I do not wish to be heard in support of my submission

*(Please tick relevant box)*

If others make a similar submission, I will consider presenting a joint case with them at a hearing

Yes  No

Do you wish to present your submission via Microsoft Teams?

Yes  No

**Signature of submitter:**

*(or person authorised to sign on behalf of submitter)*

**Date: 17/10/2022**

*(A signature is not required if you are making your submission by electronic means)*

**Important information:**

1. The Council must receive this submission before the closing date and time for submissions (5pm 21 October 2022)
2. Please note that submissions, including your name and contact details are treated as public documents and will be made available on council's website. Your submission will only be used for the purpose of the District Plan Review.



3. Submitters who indicate they wish to speak at the hearing will be emailed a copy of the planning officers report (please ensure you include an email address on this submission form).

**Send your submission to:**

**Post to:** Proposed District Plan  
Strategic Planning and Policy, Far North District Council  
Far North District Council,  
Private Bag 752  
KAIKOHE 0400

**Email to:** [pdp@fndc.govt.nz](mailto:pdp@fndc.govt.nz)

Or you can also deliver this submission form to any Far North District Council service centre or library, from 8am – 5pm Monday to Friday.

**Submissions close 5pm, 21 October 2022**

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**Note to person making submission**

Please note that your submission (or part of your submission) may be struck out if the authority is satisfied that at least one of the following applies to the submission (or part of the submission):

- It is frivolous or vexatious
- It discloses no reasonable or relevant case
- It would be an abuse of the hearing process to allow the submission (or the part) to be taken further
- It contains offensive language
- It is supported only by material that purports to be independent expert evidence but has been prepared by a person who is not independent or who does not have sufficient specialised knowledge or skill to give expert advice on the matter.

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