Intensive Winter Grazing (IWG) Management Plan

PART 1



1.1	FARM DETAILS ADMINISTRATION			
	Consent Holder Name: Contact details:			
	Physical Address of the IWG activity:			
	Title and/or legal descriptions:			
1.2	MANAGEMENT PLAN DETAILS*			
	Consent authorisation number: Total consented farm area, ha: Consented annual maximum IWG area			
	Management plan version number	Version	Date certified	Total assessed area, ha
	Version audited	Dates audited	Audited by	Final outcome

Part 2 & 3 is the Management Plan and should be completed for the consent application.

 $Part\,4\,is\,Monitoring\,and\,compliance\,information\,kept\,by\,the\,farmer, these\,details\,can\,be\,completed\,after\,a\,consent\,is\,issued.$



^{*} Note: Part 1 is a cover page, these details can be completed after a consent is issued.



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2.1	C	TCH	MEN	JT V	ΔΙΙ	IEC

Refer to RP-SCHED2 of the One Plan for the Surface Water Management Values. Identify the community values for freshwater for your catchment and how your IWG activities might impact on those values. Values can include swimming, maintaining or improving ecosystem health, providing for Mahinga kai, fishing and drinking water.

urface Water Ma				
Commentary on ca	tchment values:			





2.2 LIVESTOCK GRAZED ON WINTER CROP

List all stock classes of animals you intend to intensively winter graze throughout the consent period.

Select options	Tick	Select options	Tick
Lambs		Mixed age sheep	
Deer R1/R2		Deer hinds	
Beef R1/R2		Deer Stags	
Dairy R1/R2		Beef adult cattle	
Others (specify):		Dairy adult cattle	

Commentary on	livectock grazes	lan crant



2.3	FFFD SYSTEM

List all possible intensive winter grazing crops you might grow throughout the entire consent period.	
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Annual forage crop 1:	
Annual forage crop 2:	
Annual forage crop 3:	
Annual forage crop 4:	
Annual forage crop 5:	

Commentary on annual forage crops:

List supplements and the available infrastructure you intend to use on the winter grazed crop throughout the entire consent period.

Supplementary feed	Feeding infrastructure on farm
Commentary on supplementary feeding systems:	





2.4 **MANDATORY GOOD MANAGEMENT PRACTICES (GMP)**

All IWG operations are expected to meet the below minimum GMP requirements.

Farm scale mandatory good management practices	Yes	No	NA	Please provide an explanation if GMP cannot be met
Leave an ungrazed buffer from waterways of not less than 5m at any point				
Critical source areas will be left uncultivated and ungrazed with vegetation maintained as ground cover				
Portable troughs and supplementary feed sites where stock tend to congregate are located away from waterways and critical source areas				
Strategic grazing from top of paddock down the slope when critical source areas and waterways are present				
Strategic grazing towards critical source areas and waterways				

Commenta	ry on	GMP	practices	•
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2.5 **CONTINGENCY PLANS**

Adverse weather plan. What is the contingency plan for periods of adverse or bad weather? Consider options to move stock so as to minimise environmental damage, such as the availability of alternative paddocks or other locations, use of feedpads and other standoff areas, or the ability to lift feed such as fodder beet.



2.6 NITROGEN RISK MITIGATION

IWG is inherently a high risk activity for nitrogen leaching. It makes a disproportionately large contribution to annual nitrogen leaching despite representing a relatively small area of the farm. This is attributed to the high amounts of excreta due to increased stocking densities, which occurs on bare wet soils with little plant uptake and increased soil drainage.

The nitrogen mitigations proposed must be commensurate to the risk of your IWG activity.

Nitrogen mitigation	Yes	No	NA	Notes
Soil nutrient status is used to guide plant nutrient requirements and post-grazing planting.				
Establishment of 'catch crop' to soak up excess nutrients remaining in soil				
Use of nutrient modelling tool to understand and manage nitrogen losses occurring on-farm				
Nitrification inhibitors used to reduce nitrate loss over winter and early spring				
Use on-off grazing to distribute urine patches more widely				

Commentary on nitrogen risk:



FARM SCALE MAPS REQUIRED

Farm scale maps required	Tick
Farm boundary map with titles	

PADDOCK SCALE MAP RISK ASSESSMENT FOR SEDIMENT, PHOSPHORUS AND E. COLI

Paddock Map Key / Legend	Tick	Symbol
Boundary of grazed areas showing buffer distances from Critical Source Area(s) (CSA)		
All CSA identified		
All surface, subsurface drains and waterways identified		
Location of fixed structures, water troughs, feeding infrastructure and gateways		
Location of bores, wells		
GMPs identified e.g. grazing direction, cultivation direction		
Mitigations identified e.g. sediment traps, bunds		
Slope map (national scale or better if available) or evidence of how slope was measured. An example can be found here: https://www.horizons.govt.nz/HRC/media/Media/Intensive-Winter-Grazing-FAQ-Te-Uru-Kahika-Regional-and-Unitary-Councils-Aotearoa.pdf		
Soil types (national scale or better if available)		
Land Use Class (national scale or better if available)		
Location of waterways; permanent, intermittent and modified waterways		
Location of wetlands		
Indigenous biodiversity areas on farm including RP-SCHED6		



3.3	PADDOCK SCALE RISK ASSESSMENT FOR SEDIMENT, PHOSPHORUS AND E. COL
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Assessment can be completed at paddock scale, block level or land management unit where appropriate for sections 3.3, 3.4 & 3.5. For additional pages please click *here*.

Paddock or block name:	Cropped area, ha:
Paddock drawing:	

RISK ASSESSMENT OF CROPPED AREA

Sediment, phosphorus and E. coli risk assessment at paddock scale. Risk assessment must be completed using iwgrisk.horizons.govt.nz

Slope of cropped area	Flat 0-7 deg	Rolling 8-15 deg	Easy Hill 16-25 deg	Steep Hill>26 deg	
Soil drainage class	Well	Imperfect	Poor	Very poor	
Presence of waterways within (or 10m outside of) paddock	Yes	No			
Presence of critical source areas within paddock boundary	Yes	No			
Stock class	1. Lambs	2. Sheep	3. Young cattle & deer	4. Mature Deer	5. Mature Cattle
Inherent cropped area risk assessment	Low risk	Medium risk	High risk		



3.5	SITE SPECIFIC GMP AND MITIGATIONS PRACTICES FOR THIS CROPPED AREA
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CROPPED AREA RISK SUMMARY

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Inherent Risk	Mitigated Risk	Cropped area, ha
LOW MED HIGH	LOW MED HIGH	
HIGH		
	нібн Total ha:	нідн Total ha:

Comment on the total mitigated risk and an assessment of environmental effects. We encourage you to take all practical measures to minimise the risk of contaminant loss to water from your intensively grazed paddocks.



4.0 MONITORING AND COMPLIANCE INFORMATION

Evidence provided/collected can include; geotagged photos, mitigation evidence, soil tests, seed, fertiliser and contractor receipts, proof of placement/cultivation maps etc

Season - dates grazed	Paddock/block names	Cropped area, ha	Stock class	Practice and mitigation evidence collected

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