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READ "ACTION FOR HEALTHY WATERWAYS SUMMARY" BY GOING TO THIS WEBSITE

<https://www.mfe.govt.nz/publications/fresh-water/action-healthy-waterways-discussion-document-national-direction-our>

Cautious Optimism

As we head into the 2019/20 season we look forward with "cautious optimism". What does this mean? Quite simply - the signals for the farming sector are looking relatively good but we know how quickly things can change – history has taught us that. From a feed perspective we know that the weather for winter was relatively kind and was good for growing grass but the outlook for the next few months is that we are going to see "more winter than spring" and this might hold pasture growth back a little. The key markets for the products that Te Uranga B2 produces are also in a good place but there are events around the world, out of our control, that can change how this looks. A key example of this is the lamb markets that are currently near record levels however the first lamb is not sold for another four months and a lot can change in that time.

There continues also to be increased caution at present around what the future of farming will look like with the release of the draft guidelines for the national direction for healthy waterways. (See website address above) There is no doubt that there are many farms such as Te Uranga B2 place extremely high value on quality water but this document will have implications on land use moving forward. Like most farmers, we will review this document closely over the six weeks to provide feedback to the government in the hope of getting sensible outcomes. The success of farming is critical to a thriving economy in New Zealand

and this can be done while reducing our environmental footprint, provided that the approach to this change is sensible, planned out and considers all viewpoints.

I look forward to catching up at the AGM and reporting on the farm performance over the last year.

Darren McNae, Agribusiness Advisor

Make a Difference by Voting

Tēnā tātou katoa e te whānau.

Well, it's local body elections time and with it came the last-minute rush to get nominations in. Candidates' profiles and what they stand for are out there; with each hoping to influence voters when they vote. Hoardings are up, pamphlets and flyers are in the mail, and social media has taken its place to spread the word – Yes, it's definitely election time.

This year has seen an unprecedented number of Māori candidates throw their hats in the ring and this is evident in the Waikato-Region Ōtorohanga, Waitomo and the Ruapehu Districts. Our own Te Uranga B2 Committee of Management members, Derek Wooster, Wikitōria Tāne are standing in the Ōtorohanga District.

Throughout the country people are sending a clear message that they want diverse representation, representative of the communities they serve. It's a win for Māori and other ordinary folk, and anyone else who might have considered councils' processes to be irrelevant to them; or who have felt a disconnect. This is your opportunity to make difference by voting.

We could celebrate but we're not there yet whānau!

Our greatest challenge when it comes to local body and general elections is that we don't vote. For a long time now, we have talked about needing more Māori in positions of influence.

This years' Local Body Elections is your opportunity to make that difference. Māori are standing in their numbers this year. **Now all we have to do is get them into council.**

If you're registered – Vote! If not – cast a special vote. If in doubt, ask for help. Remember, voting opens 20 September and is open until 12 October 2019.

Kia kaha rā tātou e te whānau ki te pōti!

Wikitoria Tane, Committee of Management

Associate Committee of Management Member Opportunity

Tena koutou katoa nga kai whenua o Te Uranga B2

Te Uranga B2 Incorporation is committed to ensuring it has a succession plan and provides the opportunity for participants to experience decision making at the coal face, learn “**Know the business**” develop and or enhance their existing governance skills “**add to their Kete**”

The committee of management are very pleased to announce the availability of 1 position to the successful applicant.

APPLICATION PROCESS	
MONTH	ACTION
September	Applications called for by way of Incorporation Face book and Panui.
October	Committee of Management reviews applications. Successful person notified.
November	Associate announced at Annual General Meeting.
December	Associate assumes role.

.For any enquires, a position description, application form please contact me on email ak.cockle@xtra.co.nz, mobile 021 0811 5229 or landline 07 843 9508

Naku noa

Alan Cockle, Committee of Management

Farming & Nature Conservation update to Te Uranga B2 owners.

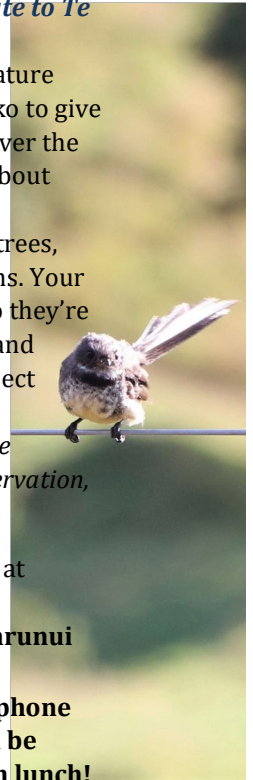
At the end of October the Farming & Nature Conservation team will be visiting Upoko to give everyone a summary of their findings over the past two years, and begin discussions about where to next.

They will cover topics such as on-farm trees, birds, carbon and Māori farming systems. Your feedback is a vital part of this project so they're looking forward to see what you think and getting opinions about where their project should head next.

Stacey Bryan, Research Assistant/Science Communicator, Farming & Nature Conservation, Canterbury University

9.00 am, Thursday, 24 October 2019 at Upoko Woolshed, 550 Ngakonui-Ongarue Road, Taumarunui

Please email carla@peakca.co.nz or phone 07 895 3013 to let her know you will be attending otherwise you'll mis out on lunch!



2019 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

SATURDAY 23 NOVEMBER

UPOKO WOOLSHED

**550 NGAKONUUI – ONGARUE ROAD,
TAUMARUNUI**

Contributions and comments welcome.

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