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## Submission on Napier City Proposed District Plan

### Form 5 Submission on publically notified proposal for policy statement or plan, change or variation

*Clause 6 of Schedule 1, Resource Management Act 1991*

**To:** Napier City Council - Planning Unit

**Date received:** 14/12/2023

**Submission Reference Number #:**137

This is a submission on the following proposed plan (the **proposal**): Napier City Proposed District Plan

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**I wish to be heard:** Yes

**I am willing to present a joint case:** Yes

Could you gain an advantage in trade competition in making this submission?

- No

Are you 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 effects of trade competition

- No

## Submission points

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**Point 137.1**

**Section:** LLRZ - Large Lot Residential Zone

**Sub-section:** LLRZ - Large Lot Residential Zone - Rules Table

**Provision:**

LLRZ-R5: Grazing of livestock

**LLRZ-R5A**

**LLRZ-R5B**

**Activity Status:** Discretionary

**Activity Status where activity conditions are not met:** Non-complying

**Where:**

1. The net site area is greater than 5,000m<sup>2</sup> net site area.

**Note:** The Napier City Council Animal Control Bylaw 2021 also applies to this activity.

**Sentiment:** Oppose

**Submission:**

Reason- stock are the best and cheapest form of grass and weed control on hillside sites, and a number of these sites have land that cannot currently be developed or easily maintained. Grazing by stock is the best means to manage grass and weeds and to mitigate fire risk. This method of property maintenance should not be subject to gaining a Discretionary Consent at the cost of the land owner and with no certainty of being granted.

It is also noted that this matter is managed under the NCC Animal Control Bylaw and requiring a Resource Consent is an unnecessary duplication of regulation. Bylaws manage nuisance effects.

**Relief sought**

Remove the Discretionary Activity rule, in relation to the Grazing of Livestock.