

# KERIKERI INLET ROAD – RURAL LIFESTYLE

## HEARING 4 PRESENTATION

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- I own a 55ha farm on Kerikeri Inlet Rd which I bought in the 1980s
- I Strongly Support the Rural Lifestyle designation of my farm in the proposed new District Plan.
- A portion of my farm is currently zoned Coastal
- There is no indigenous vegetation on my farm.

## SOIL TYPE


- Farm soil is classified as Hukerenui Silt Loam with yellow subsoil.
- This soil type has physical characteristics which severely limit productivity.
- This soil type has poor fertility, poor drainage and is drought prone
- NOT suitable for cropping and cultivation due to soil structure
- Planted trees are slow growing and prone to windthrow
- This is NOT a productive, ELITE VERSATILE soil

# LANDSCAPE

- This farm is **NOT** on the Northland Regional Council schedule of outstanding landscapes
- **NOR** on its schedule of outstanding natural features
- **NOR** on its schedule of high natural character

## PROPOSED RURAL LIFESTYLE

- Proposed Rural Lifestyle allows for low density residential activities and small scale farming activities that are compatible with rural character and amenity of the zone
- Allows for appropriate setbacks from MHWS, wetlands and lake / river margins
- Will allow for subdivision down to 2 hectares

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- Currently designated as South Kerikeri Inlet Zone (SKIZ) in current district plan.
  - Restricted development due to supposed visual sensitivity, coastal location and presence of significant water bodies and wetlands etc

# VISUAL SENSITIVITY 1

- **Anomaly ??**
- **Area above trees is currently designated as visually insensitive**
- **Area below trees is considered to be visually sensitive**



## VISUAL SENSITIVITY 2

- Anomaly ??
- Area above power pole is currently designated as visually insensitive.
- Area in the foreground, below the power pole is currently designated as visually sensitive





## VISUAL SENSITIVITY 3

- 2.6 Ha title around house in foreground designated visually insensitive.
- Land around buildings near top of image also designated visually insensitive.
- Land in between visually sensitive.



## WET LANDS

- **Popular misconception that the Waitangi Wetlands are in the South Kerikeri Inlet Zone (SKIZ). They are not.**

## **WATER BODIES**

- **There are only 2 significant water bodies in the SKIZ, both are man made artificial ponds (dams) built in the 1950s**
- **The one shown in the picture is on my place, collects runoff water from my farm which is then used for farm water reticulation purposes**



## WATER BODIES 2

- **Dam 2 built in the 1950s to provide water to adjacent properties, who jointly own it.**
- **NRC description “Shallow constructed artificial pond lacking riparian cover”**
- **Title deed says ‘ No shooting, fishing, boating’ and prescribes daily amount water adjoining properties can use.**



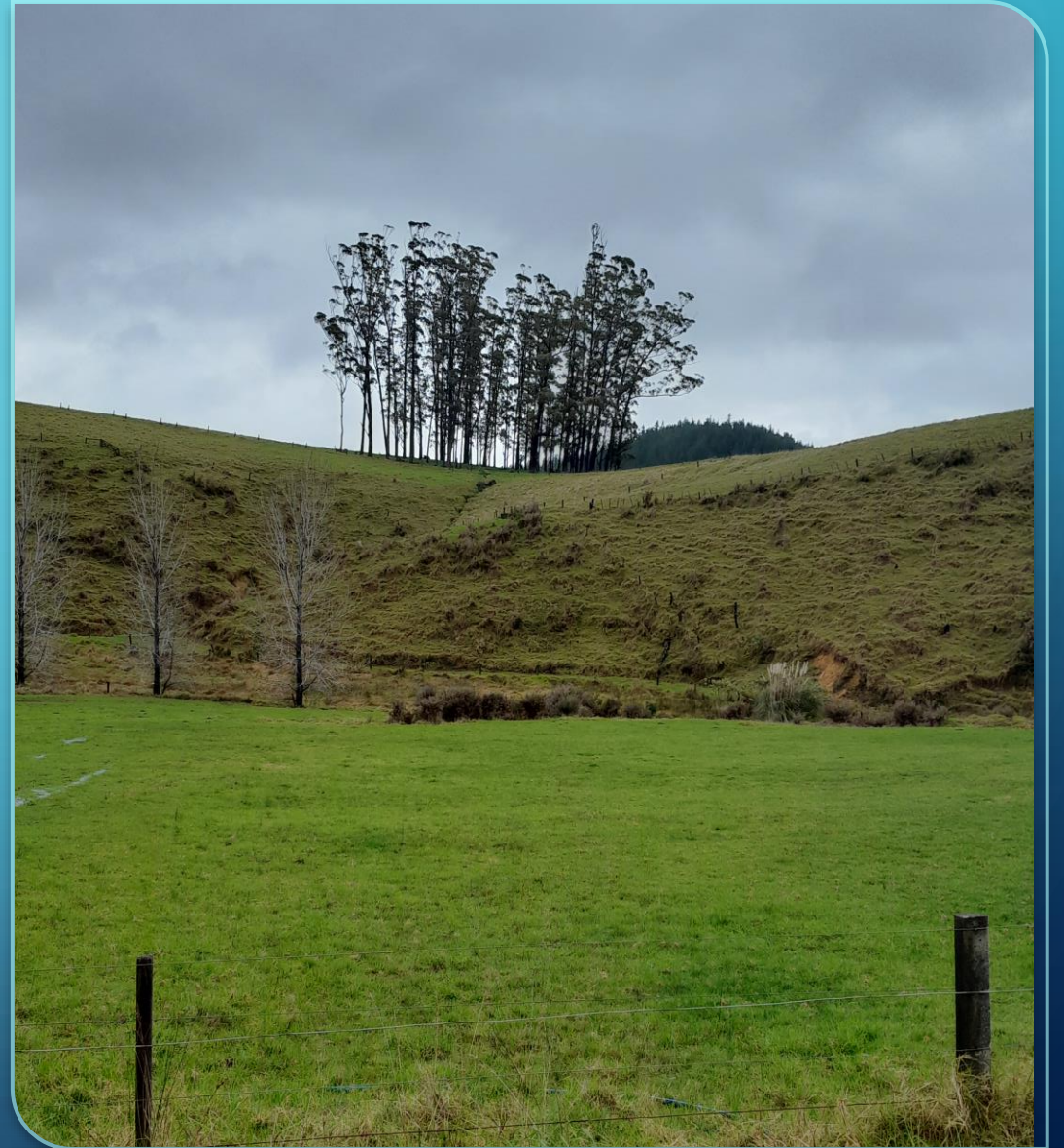
## COASTAL 1

- Flats on Northern portion of the farm are designated Coastal despite them not being able to be seen from the sea nor any public road.



## COASTAL 2

- Another image of the flat area on the Northern portion of the farm which are designated coastal even though not visible from the sea or public road



## SUMMARY

- Strongly support the *Rural Lifestyle* designation of this area in the proposed new District Plan.
- Proposed Rural Lifestyle designation will allow for low density residential activities and small scale farming activities that are compatible with rural character and amenity of the area.
- The area is close to Kerikeri township
- The area has poor, non versatile soils.
- The designation of Rural Lifestyle to other locations close to Kerikeri will compromise irrigated, productive versatile soils in close proximity to Kerikeri

AND LASTLY,

Thank you for your  
time and attention

