Your submission to Proposed National Policy Statement for Highly Productive Land

Nelson New Zealand

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What are the values and benefits associated with existing food growing hubs and how can these be maximised? **Notes**

Food Productions is seen as important to the Nelson & Tasman region. Soils and climate

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What are the values and benefits associated with highly productive land?

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Valuing highly productive land Design and implement an agriculture sector where we look into the future and secure the land needed to sustain food resiliency for all those that live here. Fund research into to the following How much land can be allocated to growing food? How much land we need to feed the human population in Aotearoa? What changes could be made to agricultural practices that will not only maintain but improve soils and provide livelihoods and food Resiliency for all of Aotearoa? How you grow food should build soil rather than deplete – rotations, artificial fertiliers, understand soil microbes and organic matter. What global relationships can we make and strengthen that support the food resilience of Aotearoa and other nations – Pacific nations – Rarotonga, Tonga, Samoa, Fiji, Japan, Australia, Europe, UK Value all land and ensure that is considered and cared for in all that we do – Conservation Estate, forest parks, Food growing land, urban towns & cities, where people live – Their homes urban parks how houses and communities are designed with infrastructure and food growing spaces All land is to be valued – not only valued but improved to sustain human and ecological systems Other land classifications (those that have been degraded by human activity) can be remediated to be valuable again. Grow soil Biological soil based farming on a local scale is part of the action needed to reduce carbon foot print of our nation. Food Water Shelter Community – a fair and just decision making system

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