

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

What is the proposed Livestock Movement Bylaw?

Waikato District Council is currently consulting on a proposed Livestock Movement Bylaw 2022. This Bylaw sets out rules to safely manage the movement of livestock on roads in the Waikato District.

How do I know if I can move livestock in accordance with the proposed Bylaw?

The proposed Bylaw identifies where the movement of livestock is allowed, prohibited, or requires a Council permit. This depends on the type of road and average daily traffic count, which affects the safety profile of road.

To identify if livestock movement is allowed on your roads, or requires a Council permit, please follow the steps below:

1. Identify the roads you would like to move livestock on or across.
2. Check what category your roads fit into, by referring to the [schedule of roads](#), under One Network Framework column.
3. Once you have identified the road hierarchy of your road, refer to [Appendix 3](#) (pg.12) within the Bylaw. This table explains if stock movement is allowed (green), prohibited (red), or a Council permit is required (yellow). This depends on how often stock are moved on average per week.
4. If a permit is required to move livestock, the permit requirements are explained within the Bylaw. The Bylaw also has rules for how to move livestock safely on permitted roads in Section 5.

If you need help to identify your permit requirements, please send an email to consult@waidc.govt.nz with the address of the road you are wanting to cross livestock on and how many times per week on average you are anticipating to move livestock and we'll get back to you.

What else does the proposed Bylaw include rules on?

The proposed Bylaw is a legal document outlining Council's proposed rules for livestock movement. It includes rules on:

- Where the movement of livestock is not allowed, for example, in urban area, or on National, Regional and Arterial Roads (Section 5);
- Rules for moving livestock safely, even when this is permitted (Section 6);
- Permit process and requirements (Sections 7, 8, 9, 10 and 11);
- Safety on roads, and damage to roads and environment (Section 12 and 13); and
- Inspections, fees, offences and penalties (Sections 14, 15 and 16)

When does consultation open and close?

Consultation opens on 20 September 2021. Consultation was originally scheduled to close 29 October 2021. However, the closing date of submissions is being reviewed due to the potential effect of Covid-19 lockdowns on the submission process.

For further information, please refer to the Statement of Proposal, Proposed Bylaw and Submission form at www.waikatodistrict.govt.nz/livestockmovement