

FOUR STEPS TO DEVELOP CONNECTED LOCAL FARMS

To make farm plans an effective tool for improving waterways, we propose a four-step approach based on collective action delivered by catchment groups. Planning together is more efficient for everyone. Linking farm plans to sub-catchment priorities, and to each other, enables landowners to exchange knowledge and identify solutions unique to their soils, land use practices and waterways.



Focus on outcomes

- » Identify the catchment's main environmental issues
- » Identify local objectives
- » Select indicators to monitor change

Develop sub-catchment plans

- » Identify and prioritise actions to achieve sub-catchment objectives
- » Develop a sub-catchment plan with neighbours, showing where actions will be taken
- » Farmers include sub-catchment plan actions in their own FEPs

Monitor, report and adapt

- » Catchment groups and tangata whenua track progress towards outcomes
- » Update sub-catchment plan and individual FEPs if indicators not tracking as expected

Partner with tangata whenua