

QCONZ released a new version of the QCONZ FWFP system recently. This release includes many changes and improvements which we have detailed below.

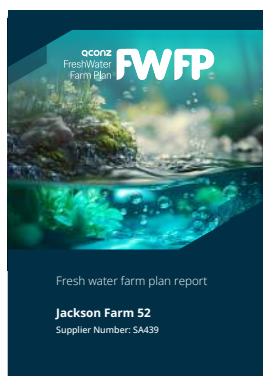
## Core changes for QCONZ FWFP system version 4/12/2023

- The design and imagery have been updated in various parts of the system.
- The Risk and Action Management section has been overhauled to make it easier to understand.
- Controls have been improved to make it easier to move into and out of Full-Screen Map.
- Icons have been added to various pages, which provide basic instructions and guidance on the system.
- A Map Upload function has been added and the ability to add Regional Council links to the system.
- Key Contacts have been updated to meet INFDP (Certifier / Council National database) reporting requirements.
- Improvements have been made in the Land Units area for non-contiguous parent/child relationships and logic.
- The Crop Areas and Crop Records have been improved including the ability to add future and past record-keeping.
- Improvements have been made to the FWFP Risk Assessment including;
  - Overhaul of design and layout to make it easier to use.
  - A comment area has been added above each "Risk Category" to allow general commentary on the risks.
  - Fixed bugs where LU's were duplicating or returning after being removed.
- On the mapping pages a Section Comment has been added to allow additional general commentary for each page. Items can now be associated directly against risks ( you no longer need to create a custom risk for every item).
- The Summary Page has been updated to allow Actions to be raised directly from the summary and an option to pivot and view by Land Unit.
- Added a Risk and Action Summary widget on the Summary Page.
- Various other bug fixes and minor improvements were also made.

## What's coming

### A button to generate the entire FWFP Report

We are planning to release the automated "FWFP REPORT" functionality by the 20th January. This is a major part of the system where the entire plan is encapsulated into a single PDF document,



generated at the push of a button. This report is 95% complete and currently in testing. We are excited to have this ready for release shortly.

## Mobile App solution

We are in the process of building a Mobile App for the FWFP system. The Mobile App solution will allow users to easily add photos to items and close out actions. The APP is planned for release mid-February.



## Other pending builds

We have designed an Intensive Winter Grazing module which will be incorporated into the FWFP system. This will allow users to use the FWFP system to meet the regulatory requirements around Intensive Winter Grazing. We are also expanding the system Help and Guidance material by developing short instructional videos which we will include throughout our FWFP system.

## Recent FWFP News

If you haven't seen this already, below is some useful information from Waikato Regional Council. It's about recent announcements of changes from the incoming Government.

"The new Government's 100-day plan includes repealing the NBEA and SPA, reverting back to the RMA (1991). Importantly, the RMA includes the Freshwater Farm Plans (FWFP) regulations that regional and unitary councils have responsibilities to implement. This means that the FWFP regulations remain effective in the parts of Waikato and Southland because they are legislated under the RMA (1991) which endures.

Another message announced last week was that: Cabinet has decided to remove the requirement for councils to implement freshwater plans by the end of 2024. Please note this refers to updates to regional plans required by the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management 2020, and not FWFPs.

Therefore, as of today and what we know now, nothing has changed for FWFPs. There is no indication at this stage that a farm planning system will not progress, though changes to aspects of the current framework are possible."

