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Submission: To KDC Proposed District Plan

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Submission as follows:

New Zealand is an Agricultural Country with so much of its export earnings derived from products grown on the land. We are known for our clean green image and products, and we must take steps to protect that. GE/GMO contamination knows no boundaries, and once contamination takes place it cannot be rectified, and the results and ongoing effects of contamination are not fully known. Many countries do not want to import GE/GMO food and we should also want that for our own consumers living within New Zealand as we struggle to contain the health issues affecting our own population.

I am very concerned that KDC Proposed District Plan is missing necessary GE/GMO references and I urge KDC to reinstate the precautionary and prohibitive GE/GMO provisions, policies, and rules that were in the KDC Draft District Plan previously.

KDC geographical area fits within the greater land mass including Auckland in the south right through to FNDC in the north. KDC is an integral component in the governance and joint management of this greater land area. KDC should continue to act as it has previously as a member of the Northland / Auckland Inter Council Working Party on GMO Risk Evaluation and Management Options.

KDC should act in keeping with case law, the findings of the Northland/ Auckland Inter Council Working Party on GMO's , and the wishes of local ratepayers and residents who do not want to have risky outdoor GE/GMO field trials, experiments or releases in the area administered by KDC.

Other Councils surrounding KDC area already have precautionary and prohibitive GE/GMO provisions, policies and rules in their Operative Plans, and it makes no sense that KDC should exclude itself from these sensible joint management policies.

Thank you for allowing me to make this submission.
Ian Cambourn.