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The 2020 planting season and the submissions to the Proposed Plan Change for Plimmerton Farm are keeping us extremely busy here. Today we launched part two of our campaign to make people aware of that plan change. People don't realise that this is the ONE chance we have to persuade the Minister for the Environment that, if he agrees to the plan change, we need our voices heard to advocate for BEST PRACTICE DEVELOPMENT in order to protect the unique values of all the Taupo wetlands throughout the catchment — now and in perpetuity.

Everything you need to know is now up on the FOTSC website <https://www.tauposwamp.org/plimmerton-farm-development>.

1. An especially important link on the website leads to our “Your Questions Answered” document. This is the culmination of input from many sources, and we hope it helps you to make a submission with the environment a priority not a casualty of planned development. There's a lot there because there's a lot to say. Pick your battle! Feel free to use our words- just change them around a bit, and make them personal!

All the information you need is on our website. You will be seeing regular FOTSC Facebook posts now too – there is a lot of interest out there but people are asking us what to do/how to navigate the overwhelming amount of material that Porirua City Council is putting out.

2. With that in mind you will see a submission example also on our page – this will simplify the whole procedure – we promise! And just a reminder that submissions must be with PCC by 5pm Thursday 2 July.

3. You can help this cause by sharing this email, tagging your keen friends on our FB page, and talking about this issue when out and about. This is the only chance we will ever get to tell the Minister that we take this very seriously.

Bill and Judy