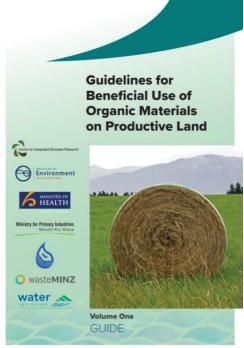
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Introduction

Why do we need guidelines?

What is being updated?

Process

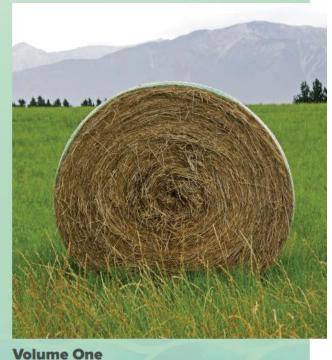
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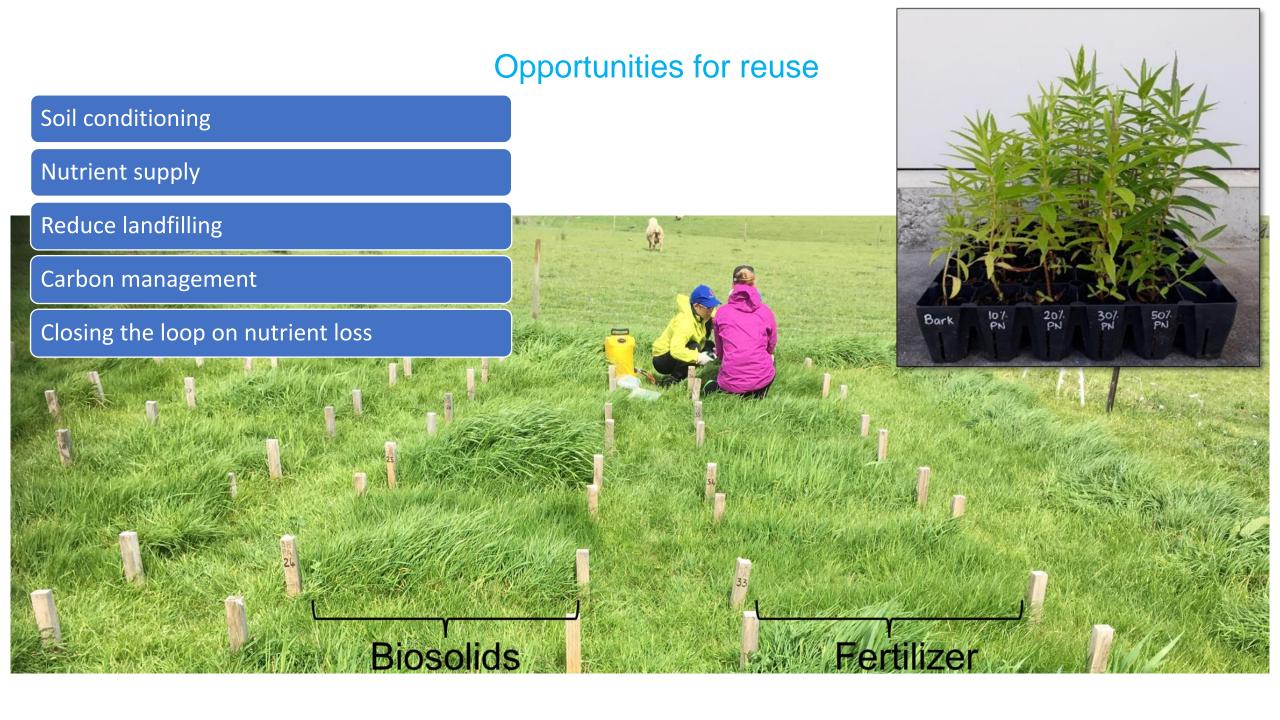


Guidelines for Beneficial Use of Organic Materials on Productive Land



GUIDE





Getting from there to here

A little bit of history

- 1992 Public health guidelines for safe use of sewage sludge on land
- 2003 Guidelines for the Safe Application of Biosolids to Land in New Zealand
- 2012 review of the 2003 guidelines
- Now expanded to Organic Materials

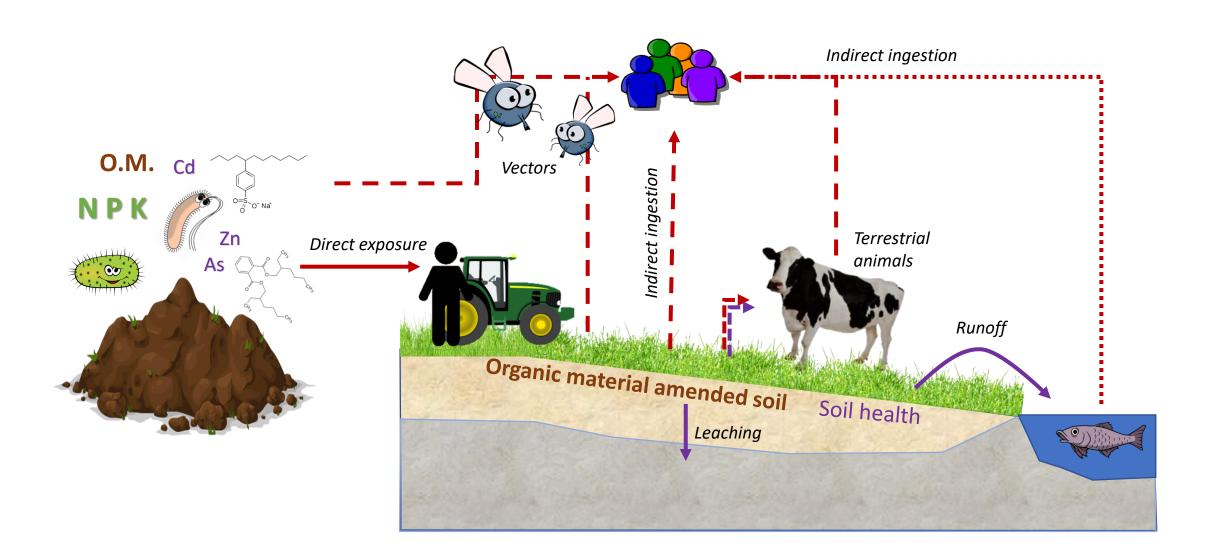
Why "Organic Materials"?

- No consistency in management of other organic wastes
- Lack of guidance for other biowastes
- 2003 guidelines often used
- Different wastes have different risks and contaminants

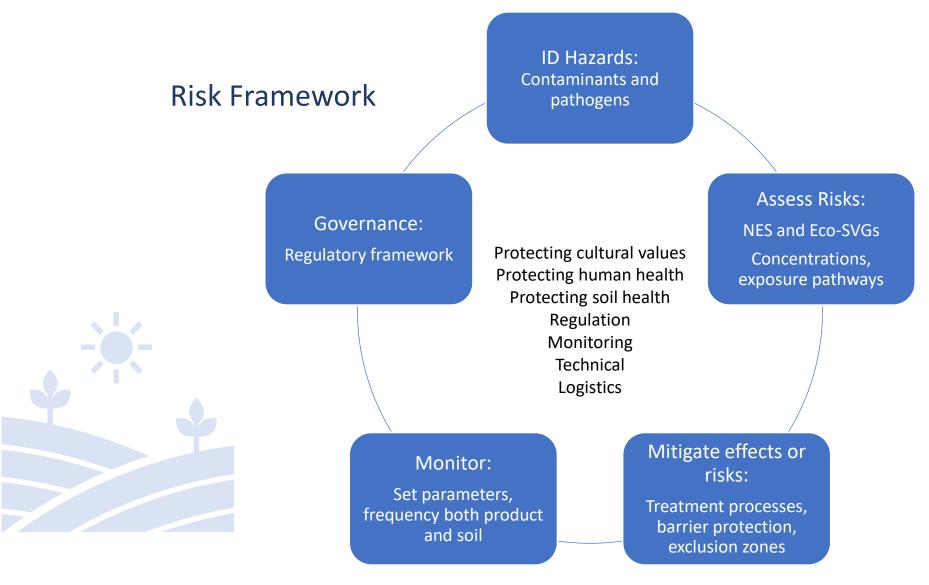
Why do we need Guidelines anyway?

- Pathway to beneficial use
- Brings together good science for predicting and protecting from risks (environmental, public health, future land use)
- Helps producers and end users to plan a discharge
- Helps regulators to assess effects

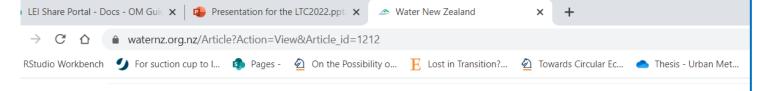
Human exposure pathways and potential environmental impacts



Objective of guidelines is to eliminate or mitigate the risks of organic materials application to productive land



Guidelines are informed by science



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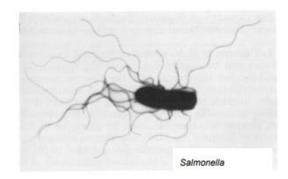
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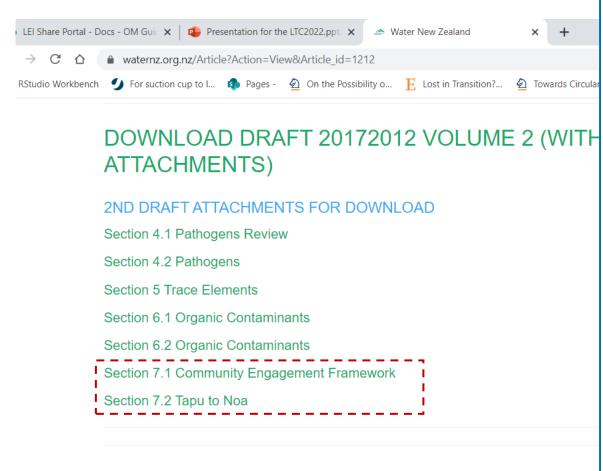
Organic Materials Guidelines -Pathogens Review

Jacqui Horswell and Joanne Hewitt

Peer reviewed by Wendy Williamson and Jennifer Prosser

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And through engagement with community



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FROM TAPU TO NOA – MĀORI CULTURAL VIEWS ON HUMAN BIOWASTE MANAGEMENT

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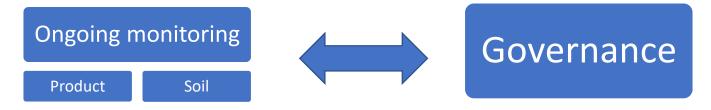
Abstract:

Tapu (forbidden or restricted) and noa (ordinary or free from restriction) are key Māori cultural concepts that continue to influence and inform present Māori praxis and thinking on all aspects of society, including biowaste management. Traditional management of human waste effluent was highly prescriptive. Processes and procedures were nested within cultural values and ethics that in turn were influenced by local context and circumstance. The tapu and noa constructs work in conjunction with other values to govern human behaviour and relationships with the environment at any point in time. However, tapu and noa are not fixed and can change through time as a result of a specific action or consequence; thus influencing the ability to interact or use an object or resource which create interesting management implications for human waste. This paper will discuss these factors, based on literature and previous research with Ngāi Tahu (Pauling & Ataria

Process for Safe Beneficial Reuse

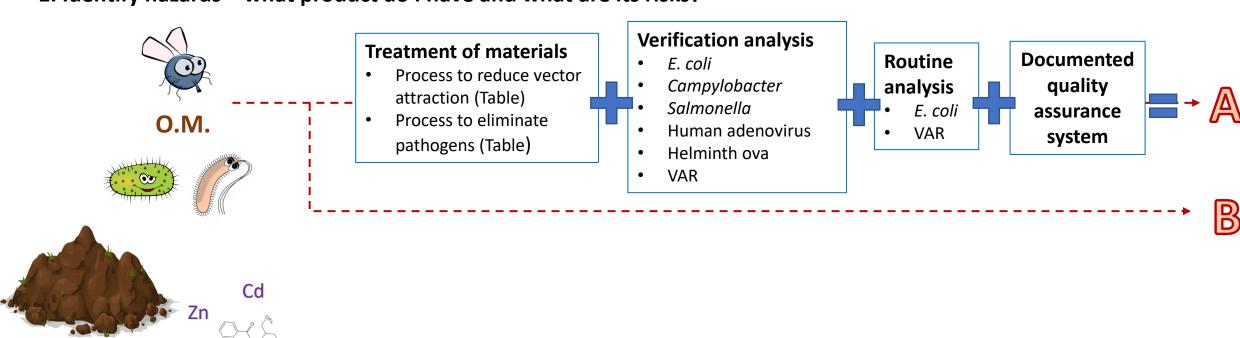


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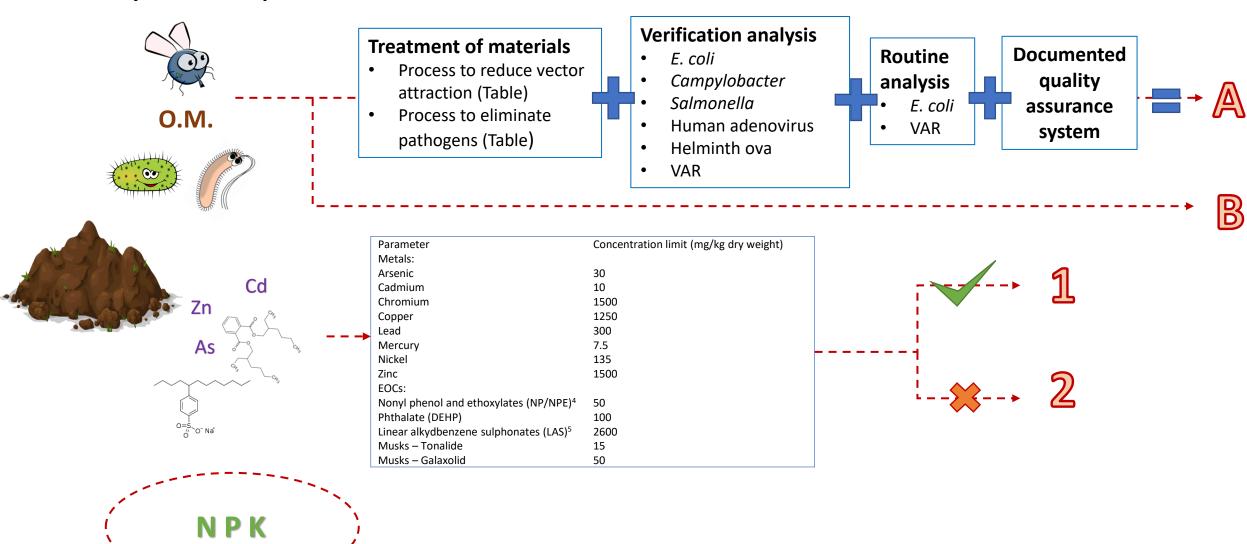
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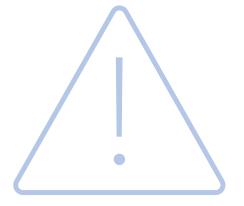
Assess Risks

Land Assessment

Land use Soil quality

Geography
(slope, water,
wahi tapu)

Is this land suitable to receive biosolids?



Mitigate Risks

Site Environmental Management Plan

Exclusion zones / periods

Application rates

Nuisance management

Monitoring

Ensuring residual risks are managed, and we don't negatively affect the environment

These elements will depend on the residual risks = NPK + other risks depending on product classification

200 kg N/ha/y

The hazards associated with different materials need to be assessed

Process for Safe Beneficial Reuse



Organic material classification

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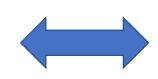
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Need to be described

Ongoing monitoring

Product

Soil



Governance

These steps are the same as for biosolids

How would this work for materials other than biosolids?

Describe the source

- What process is the material from?
- Is there any human products?
- Does it come from animal industry (faecal material, gut material, body parts)?
- What treatments might the material have been subject to?

What contaminants might be present?

- Review against biosolids table
- Pharmaceuticals
- Endocrine disrupters
- Herbicides or pesticides
- Surfactants, detergents, plasticisers in process

What is the risk from these contaminants?

- Emerging understanding
- Adaptive approach
- Guidelines discuss process to enable "other" contaminants to be considered

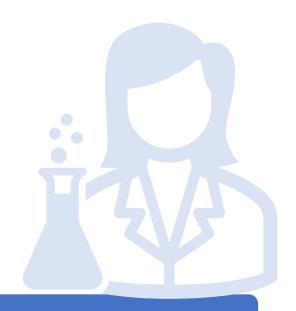
What testing is needed?

- Product verification
- Routine analysis
 - In the product
 - In the environment
- What are acceptable levels

Source	Possible contaminants
All	Nutrients for loading (N, P and others)
Greenwaste from an orchard	Metals and organic compounds from pesticides, potentially herbicides
Paunch material from meat works	Drench chemicals (metals and organic) E.coli, Campylobacter, Salmonella, helminths Ruminant specific pathogens?
Poultry manure	Metals such as arsenic and zinc, pathogens
WAS from a dairy factory	Metals, surfactants, fat, oil and grease (FOG), sodium



Conclusions



Guidelines need to be clearer

There is no new technical information to be added

We have confidence in the science that the guidelines are based on

Next steps

Rewrite the guidelines for more practical use

Seek further Māori and community input

Receive and process feedback from NZLTC Community

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