

# Sustainable Winegrowing New Zealand: A world leading certification programme

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## New Zealand Winegrowers Environment Strategy

### **NZW Sustainability Focus Areas**

FOCUS AREAS	FOCUS AREA GOALS
Climate Change	NZ wine industry is carbon neutral by 2050
Water	Be a world leader in efficient water use and the protection of water quality
<b>Waste</b>	Zero waste to landfill by 2050
Soil	Protect and enhance soil health
Pest and Disease	Understand reduce and mitigate impacts of existing and potential pest and disease. Be a world leader in sustainable alternatives.
People	Be an industry of choice for workers

#### Voluntary sustainability accreditation programme – objectives:

- Provide standards and guidance for members to ensure stewardship across key focus areas of sustainability.
- Provide members with a regular set of benchmarks enabling them to make informed business decisions across key focus areas with the aim of continuous improvement.
- Protect and enhance the reputation of the New Zealand wine industry nationally and abroad by ensuring the industry's social license to operate.



## Timeline

In 1995 SWNZ established for vineyard certification

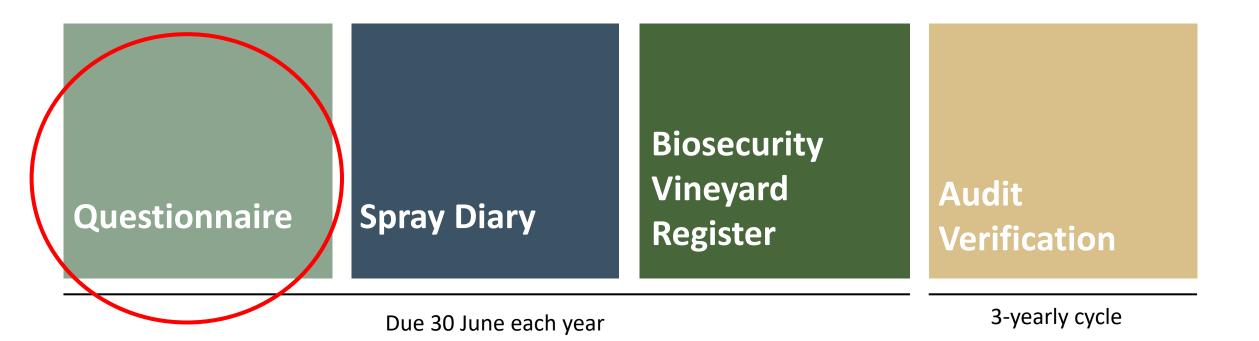
In 2002 SWNZ certification widened to include wineries

Currently 96% of vineyard area in New Zealand certified with SWNZ; and

**90% of wine produced** made in SWNZ-certified facilities

Globally recognised and world leading

Scorecard review process began in 2019 – first step in reviewing/refining SWNZ



# 2020/21 Questionnaire requirements

#### Water

- Irrigation & frost protection
- Regulatory requirements
- Water optimisation & efficiency

#### Waste

- Waste management
- Waste reduction initiatives
- Vineyard posts & grape marc

#### Soil

- Soil makeup and health
- Under-vine & interrow management
- Nutritional/biological inputs

#### **Climate Change**

- Carbon certification
- Energy inputs (diesel, electricity, petrol)
- Carbon footprint minimisation

#### **Pest & Disease**

- Monitoring procedures
- Spray management & certifications
- Biosecurity

#### People

- Key documents (H&S plan, site map, SOPs)
- Employment agreements
- Agrichemical & fuel storage



#### Water

- Total water used for irrigation and frost protection
- Total area irrigated

#### Soil

- Nutritional inputs recorded in GrapeLink spray diary
- Area contributed for biodiversity

#### **Pest & Disease**

Spray inputs recorded in GrapeLink spray diary

#### Waste

- Total waste sent to landfill
- Amount of grape marc spread & vineyard area

#### **Climate Change**

- Annual emissions (if verified)
- Total amount of diesel, petrol and electricity used

#### People



#### Vineyard Irrigation Report

Vineyard Summary					
Season	2018/2019				
Vineyard name	Sample Vineyard				
Vineyard ID	HBXXX				
Region	Hawkes Bay				
Vineyard area	33.16 ha				
Irrigation area	O ha				
Soil type	Very light - Stony				

#### 1 Quantity of Irrigation Applied

Total water volume applied for irrigation 24,320 m<sup>3</sup> Irrigated area 0 ha

2017/18 irri. (mm) 79

Irrigation use: \_ mm 256 l/plant

Water use provided in



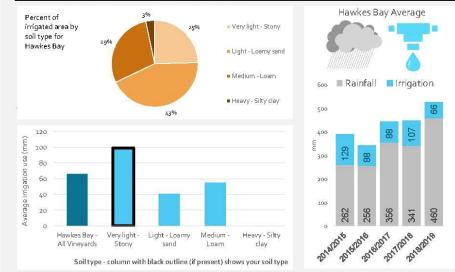
#### How does this affect me?

This is the third year of incorporating regional soil types, which has further enhanced the information available to members.

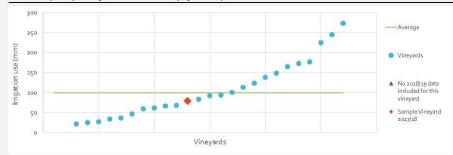
SMART Irrigation - Irrigation NZ: http://smartirrigation.co.nz/

Rainfall data can be accessed on the NZ Wine Online Tools page: http://tinyurl.com/ydx57s4e

#### 2 Regional and Soil Type Irrigation Summary



#### Hawkes Bay Vineyard Irrigation Distribution: Very light - Stony



#### 3 Regional Rainfall Summary - Crownthorpe, HB

Crownthorpe, HB is the closest weather station to your vineyard. The coordinates for the station are -39.626502 176.577179

Total rainfall (mm)	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec
Long term average	117	75	81	61	60	72
2018/2019	44	64	132	17	106	174

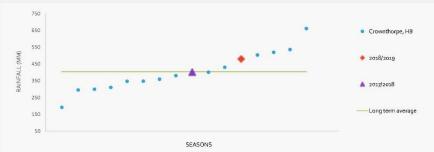
	Jan	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Annual	Oct - Mar
Long term average	89	51	81	102	66	96	911	404
2018/2019	138	29	15	43	18	85	866	480

Rainfall figures are taken from a combination of HortPlus and NIWA weather stations. Long term averages are from the 2003/2004 season to present. Note the LTA totals are an average of the totals so do not equal the sum of the average months.

#### Hawkes Bay - Crownthorpe, HB Monthly Rainfall (mm) July 2018 - June 2019



#### Hawkes Bay - Crownthorpe, HB Oct - Mar. Rainfall Comapred to Previous Seasons



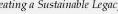
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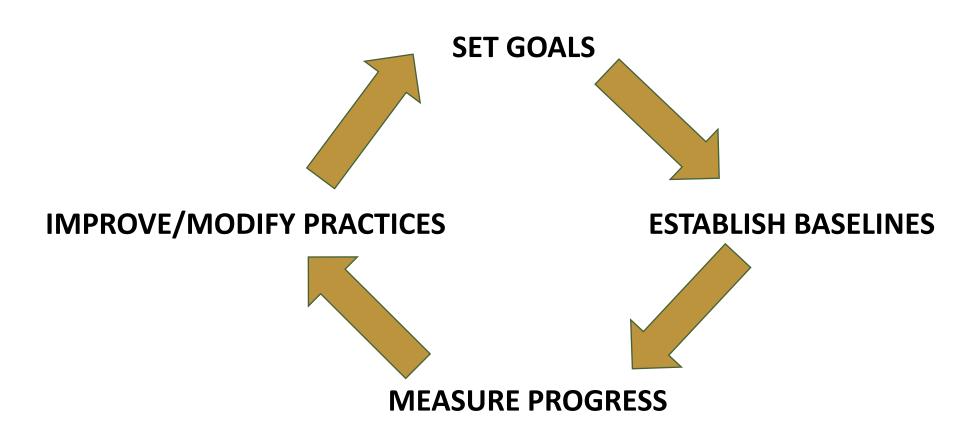
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# Financial sustainability through benchmarking: If you can measure it you can manage it





# Learnings: To be successful a sustainability programme should:

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Create value for members:

02

Be verified through independent audit

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Be supported by good technology and communication 04

Be open to review, refresh and change





