# Plant-based proteins opportunity for NZ







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#### What plant proteins?

- Range of plants used but currently protein from mostly soy, lupin and pea crops
- Very large scale
- Lots of work going into hemp at the moment (valuable coproducts)
- Protein from other plants are being explored
- Massive range of products good taste, mouth feel









#### Who wants plant-based protein?

Consumer-driven trend

Insect protein Health conscious consumers Transumers

Demand Animal welfare concerns Flexications Changing eating habits

Environmental awareness Millennials Allergy concerns

• Not just vegetarians anymore - driven by millennials and generation Z

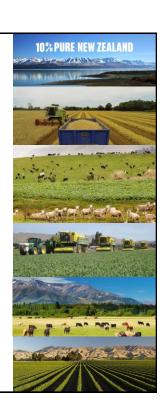
#### **Demand for plant-protein is increasing**

- By the numbers market size
  - Value of global alternative dairy market USD\$7.37 billion in 2016
  - Value of global plant protein market USD\$7.67 billion in 2015
- Some real success stories in markets



#### Why NZ should participate

- Environmental benefits depending on source crop
- Diversifying exports and expanding NZ raw-material palette
- Access to high value markets responding to consumer demand
- Just another potential high-value option for farmers



### Plant protein – what's happening in NZ?

- Currently no plant protein extraction (at scale) in NZ
- Some innovative NZ companies already using imported plant protein



 Some people and groups looking to extract protein from different sources



Needs innovation or international partners (or both)







### How do we realise this opportunity?



 Figure out whether it makes economic sense to do this in NZ



If it makes sense, establish protein extraction facilities in NZ



 Develop high-value food and beverage products from NZ-sourced plant protein



 Need work on plant varieties, agronomy, processing of waste streams to realise full value of opportunity





## "Change before you have to"

Jack Welch – CEO General Electric