



TARANAKI FISH & GAME COUNCIL

AGENDA PAPERS

COUNCIL MEETING

**SATURDAY
5 DECEMBER 2020**

Statutory managers of freshwater sports fish, game birds and their habitats

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SATURDAY 5 DECEMBER 2020

TO BE HELD AT
THE BRICK HOUSE
72 ST HILL STREET, WHANGANUI

COMMENCING AT 10:00AM

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TARANAKI FISH & GAME COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TARANAKI FISH & GAME COUNCIL, HELD AT THE BRICK HOUSE, 72 ST HILL STREET, WHANGANUI, ON 3RD OCTOBER 2020 COMMENCING AT 9:00AM.

With the delayed arrival of the Chairman, Paul Blewman, the Manager called the meeting to order at 9:00 am.

1. PRESENT

Councillors Alan Flynn, David Potroz, Romon Sargeson, Gerard Karalus, Craig McEwen, Steve Hugo, Daniel Gordon and Chris Donald.

IN ATTENDANCE

Manager Glenn Maclean, Senior Field Officer Allen Stancliff and Secretary Jilli Steedman.

2. APOLOGIES

Apologies were received from Councillors John Nancarrow, Chris Bright, Cory Potroz and Chairman, Paul Blewman, for lateness.

MOVED D POTROZ / SARGESON

THAT THE APOLOGIES RECEIVED BE SUSTAINED.

CARRIED.

3. RATIFICATION OF ACTING CHAIRMAN IN PAUL BLEWMANS ABSENCE

MOVED D POTROZ / SARGESON

THAT IN THE ABSENCE OF THE CHAIRMAN, COUNCILLOR CHRIS DONALD ASSUME THE CHAIR FOR THIS MEETING.

CARRIED.

Councillor Donald accepted and assumed the chair. He advised Councillors that the DOC appointed reviewers of Fish & Game will be joining the meeting at around 11:00

4. CONFLICT OF INTEREST

There were none that hadn't already been notified at previous meetings.

5. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING 8TH AUGUST 2020

MOVED KARALUS / D POTROZ

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 8TH AUGUST 2020, IN WAITARA, BE CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD.

CARRIED.

6. MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

7. MINUTES OF PUBLIC EXCLUDED MEETING 8TH AUGUST 2020

MOVED SARGESON / FLYNN

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE PUBLIC EXCLUDED MEETING HELD ON 8TH AUGUST 2020, IN WAITARA, BE CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD.

THAT THE RESOLUTIONS RESULTING FROM THE MINUTES BE BOUGHT INTO PUBLIC FORUM.

CARRIED.

COVID-19 WAGE SUBSIDY

MOVED D POTROZ / BRIGHT

THAT TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL REFUND THE COVID-19 WAGE SUBSIDY RECEIVED IN APRIL 2020 ON THE BASIS THAT THE DECLINE IN REVENUE WAS NOT AS LARGE AS FIRST FORECAST.

CARRIED.

WHANGANUI OFFICE REVIEW

MOVED D POTROZ / NANCARROW

THAT TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL AGREE TO RELINQUISH THE LEASE ON THE WHANGANUI OFFICE FROM THE 1ST NOVEMBER 2020 AND THAT THE CURRENT SECRETARY AND MANAGER WORK FROM HOME.

CARRIED.

8. AGENDA MANAGEMENT & 5 YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN

Councillors discussed the successful installation of the fishing platform at Lake Mangamahoe. The manager noted that he was delighted with what had been built.

The Landlord of the Whanganui Office has been advised that we will not be renewing our office lease. The COVID-19 wage subsidy has been repaid.

9. RISK REGISTER

Noted that the register remains unchanged since the last meeting. Manager highlighted that there is opportunity to seek a time extension re development of new Sports Fish & Game Management Plan

10. HEALTH AND SAFETY

Councillors discussed the Health & Safety Audit carried out by Debbie Mair from National office.

Allen has produced a Hazard Control Plan for the Kids Fishing Day at Lake Rotomanu. Implications on moving the gun cabinet located in the Whanganui office to the New Plymouth office was discussed.

MOVED SARGESON / KARALUS

THAT THE MANAGERS HEALTH AND SAFETY REPORT, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED.

11. COMMERCIAL ORIGIN SALMON RELEASE POLICY

The manager spoke to the draft national policy. He noted that while Taranaki was not directly affected we would support a similar policy with respect to trout if this situation ever arose.

MOVED D POTROZ / DONALD

THAT TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL SUPPORTS THE PROPOSED POLICY TO PREVENT THE RELEASE OF COMMERCIAL ORIGIN SALMON INTO OPEN SYSTEMS OF WATER WHERE THEY MAY COMPETE WITH WILD FISH.

CARRIED.

12. CUSTOMS IMPORT PROHIBITION (TROUT) ORDER

The Manager spoke to his paper.

Councillors discussed the potential to introduce disease and parasites to our freshwater system and noted their desire to continue to support this order.

MOVED D POTROZ / SARGESON

THAT TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL SUPPORTS THE CONTINUATION OF THE CUSTOMS IMPORT PROHIBITION (TROUT) ORDER.

CARRIED.

13. EEO AND BULLYING & HARASSEMENT POLICIES REVIEW

The Manager spoke to this policy, noting that it has been 14 years since this policy has been reviewed. The Manager has developed new draft policies to reflect the legislative changes and expectations that have occurred since 2006.

MOVED D POTROZ / SARGESON

THAT TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL ADOPT THE ATTACHED;

1. EQUAL EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES (EEO) POLICY.
2. BULLYING AND HARASSMENT POLICY.

CARRIED.

14. MANAGING GAMEBIRD HUNTER BEHAVIOUR

The Manager spoke to his paper.

Councillors discussed points 1-8. Councillors agreed that the positive influence of the actions and comments of high-profile hunters have a more desirable impact on behaviour than rule setting.

MOVED D POTROZ / HUGO

THAT TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL ADOPT THIS DRAFT STRATEGY TO MANAGE GAMEBIRD HUNTER BEHAVIOUR.

CARRIED.

Paul Blewman joined the meeting at 10:00am

15. 2019/20 LICENCE SALES REPORT

Councillors noted the increase in on-line Gamebird licence sales.

MOVED D POTROZ / SARGESON
THAT THE LICENCE SALES REPORT TO 22ND SEPTEMBER 2020, BE RECEIVED.
CARRIED.

16. 2019/20 GAMEBIRD DISPERSAL REPORT

Councillors noted that chicory crops are still a favourite of paradise shelduck.

MOVED D POTROZ / HUGO
THAT THE 2019/20 GAMEBIRD DISPERSAL REPORT, BE RECEIVED.
CARRIED.

17. 2019/20 HATCHERY & TROUT LIBERATION REPORT

Allen Stancliff noted a good year at the hatchery. Councillors asked that their appreciation be passed onto the hatchery volunteers

MOVED KARALUS / SARGESON
THAT THE 2019/20 HATCHERY & TROUT LIBERATION REPORT DATED 13TH SEPTEMBER 2020, BE RECEIVED.
CARRIED.

18. 2019/20 COMPLIANCE REPORT

The Manager spoke to his report, noting the effect of COVID-19 on our ranging effort. Councillors appreciated Brad Dannefaerd both as a Taranaki Fish & Game honorary ranger and our training provider.

MOVED D POTROZ / HUGO
THAT THE TARANAKI FISH & GAME COUNCIL ACCEPT THIS COMPLIANCE REPORT FOR 2019/20 NOTING THAT;

- RECRUITMENT AND MANAGEMENT OF HONORARY RANGERS MET THE PLANNED RESULT IN THE OPERATIONAL PLAN, HOWEVER TRAINING WAS IMPACTED BY THE AUTUMN COVID-19 LOCKDOWN.
- COMPLIANCE CHECKS OF HUNTERS WERE ALSO LIMITED BY OPERATING UNDER COVID LEVEL 2 RESTRICTIONS OVER OPENING WEEKEND.
- COMPLIANCE CHECKS OF ANGLERS DID NOT REACH THE TARGET OF 100 LICENCE HOLDERS.
- COMPLIANCE WITH THE REGULATIONS WAS 95.2% FOR ANGLERS CHECKED AND NOT CALCULATED FOR HUNTERS DUE TO THE VERY LOW NUMBERS OF CHECKS.

CARRIED.

19. 2019/20 FISHERY MONITORING REPORT

Staff spoke to this report, noting this is the 3rd year we have used the volunteer angler diary scheme and that the results are consistent with the satisfaction survey results.

MOVED D POTROZ / FLYNN
THAT THE TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL ACCEPT THIS FISHERY REPORT FOR 2019/20 AND RECORDS ITS APPRECIATION FOR THE VALUED EFFORTS OF THE DIARY CONTRIBUTORS.
CARRIED.

20. HUNTING & HABITAT SCHEME APPLICATIONS

It was noted that there have been no new applications, in part due to the Covid-19 lockdown which occurred over the period applications are usually developed.

21. CHAIRMANS REPORT

Paul Blewman noted the COVID-19 lockdown and other issues. He advised Councillors of the Resource Allocation Committee, of which the Manager is a member.

MOVED BLEWMAN / MCEWEN

THAT THE CHAIRMAN'S VERBAL REPORT BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED.

22. NATIONAL COUNCILLORS REPORT

Paul Blewman advised Councillors of the recent National Council meeting, which included;

- Strategic Finance Sub Committee
- Discussion on Reserves and Budget setting

MOVED BLEWMAN / FLYNN

THAT THE NATIONAL COUNCILLORS VERBAL REPORT, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED.

23. WORK PLAN AND BUDGET PROGRESS REPORT TO 31ST AUGUST 2020

MOVED D POTROZ / NANCARROW

THAT THE WORK PLAN TO 19TH JULY AND BUDGET PROGRESS REPORT TO 30TH JUNE 2020, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED.

24. FINANCIAL REPORT

MOVED BLEWMAN / D POTROZ

THAT THE PROFIT AND LOSS AND BALANCE SHEET TO 31ST AUGUST 2020, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED.

25. CORRESPONDENCE

MOVED D POTROZ / SARGESON

THAT INWARDS AND OUTWARDS CORRESPONDENCE SCHEDULES TO 22ND SEPTEMBER 2020, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED.

26. GENERAL BUSINESS

Councillor Karalus noted that approval had been given to fill in ponds at the Waverley Wind Farm, owing to the danger to gamebirds in close proximity to the turbines.

Councillor D Potroz noted the up-coming Big 4 Competition being held by the Inglewood Rod, Gun & Recreation Club.

Councillor Gordon expressed his appreciation to Council on funding he has received for gamebird habitat improvement.

Councillors discussed the idea of making the opening of the fishing season the first Saturday in October.

27. NEXT MEETING

The next meeting and AGM will be held on 5th December 2020 in Whanganui.

28. CLOSURE

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 11:30am.

APPROVED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD

CHAIRMAN _____

DATE _____

TARANAKI FISH & GAME COUNCIL

The Chairman
Taranaki Fish & Game Council

AGENDA MANAGEMENT

Council should do the following things;

- Review progress with items on the Action List, these items derived from past Council meetings
- Review the Annual Program for Meeting Agendas, and decide if any items should be added/ moved or deleted from this
- Review the Current Agenda and decide on the order of items, the timing requirements for items, any items to be deferred, or any new business to be tabled.

No resolutions should be necessary here, unless to resolve debate on a future course of action. The Minutes will record all issues that Council agrees, and these will be reflected in future Action Lists, Annual Programs, and Agendas as may be appropriate.

Glenn Maclean
Regional Manager
18 November 2020

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ACTION LIST ARISING FROM COUNCIL DECISIONS

Subject	Responsible	Target Date	Item Update – Actions Required
Reinstatement of sign at Lake Mangamahoe/ erection of fishing platforms	Manager	December 2019	Platform completed – now just need to erect 2 nd sign here
E' fishing machine certification	SFO	February 2021	Have identified option for Australian certification however exploring what can be done in NZ
Send Council recommendations on Commercial Origin Salmon Release policy and Customs Import Prohibition (Trout) order	Manager	October 2020	Completed

TARANAKI FISH & GAME COUNCIL
ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA PROGRAM

Meeting	Board	Operational	Statutory	Strategic/Policy
13 February 2021	All Board Items	All Operational Items, to be received	Confirm Game Season Regulations.	Review 5 Year Strategic Plan
20 March 2021	All Board Items	All Operational Items, to be received Manager's contract review	Consider Draft 2021/2022 Annual Operational Work Plan & Budget.	
12 June 2021	All Board Items.	All Operational Items, to be Received	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Fish Season Regs. • Licence fee recommendation 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nominations for Bruce McKenzie Memorial Award
14 August 2021	All Board Items.	All Operational Items, to be Received	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Adopt 2021 / 2022 Annual Plan 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Receive nominations for Bruce McKenzie Memorial Award
30 October 2021	All Board Items.	All Operational Items, to be Received	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • End of Year Project Reports 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •
11 December 2021 meeting and AGM	All Board Items.	All Operational Items, to be Received	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2022 Game Gazette Notice 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2022 meeting dates

2019/20 – 2023/24 Strategic Plan

Approved February 2020

Amended August 2020

Work Area (why are we undertaking this objective?)	Key Result (what are we actually doing and how this contributes to objective?)	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Participation Add value to our licence holders to increase their success and satisfaction so they remain in the sport Recruit (and re-activate) new licence holders to protect revenue required for effective management and to maintain support for and recognition of the importance of fish & game resources and	Signage Provide anglers with helpful on-site information re access, regulations and techniques to make it easier to go fishing Licence holder contact Contact licence holders (mail, email, social media and individually by phone or face	Replace/ erect new signs on rivers and lakes around the region consistent with the priorities identified 2 -3 signs replaced per year				
		Information signs on Retaruke and Whanganui Rivers (Te Araroa trail users) Review Ruatiti information sign and update as necessary By Aug 2021 identify any changes and agree process to upgrade with other parties				
		Complete Lake Mangamahoe information signs Produce Taranaki fishing newsletter sent to licence holders shortly after the start of each season Produce Taranaki hunting newsletter sent to licence holders and RD box holders prior to each season Produce 2-page magazine supplement for each issue of F&G Magazine				

<p>their use</p>	<p>to face) to share information that encourages and assists users to make best use of the F&G resource</p>	<p>Implement and utilise social media consistent with National Office policy Develop and utilise licence holder email list to highlight information of specific value such as upcoming children's fishing days <i>Information on 2020 fishing days emailed to licence holders</i></p>
<p>Angling and hunting web pages How to and where to go information is readily available, easily understood and up to date to assist & guide licence holders and prospective participants</p>	<p>Update and expand Whanganui River information Produce cardboard flyer with guidance re where to find detailed angling information Work with National Office to upgrade website. Review information and effectiveness of web links annually or when issue identified</p>	<p><i>Information is current and easily found</i> Introduction to duck hunting opportunities in the Taranaki Region <i>Draft text prepared by Aug 2020</i> Explore options for ongoing fishing opportunities for kids and families based on local ponds and threshold experiences <i>Identify and explore future options for Stratford by Aug 2020</i> <i>Review options to maximise use of Sattlers Dam by 2021</i></p>
<p>Children and family fishing days and opportunities Provide opportunities for children and families to go fishing easily and on an ongoing basis, so they potentially become lifelong anglers. To engender support</p>	<p>Information is current and easily found Introduction to duck hunting opportunities in the Taranaki Region <i>Draft text prepared by Aug 2020</i> Explore options for ongoing fishing opportunities for kids and families based on local ponds and threshold experiences <i>Identify and explore future options for Stratford by Aug 2020</i> <i>Review options to maximise use of Sattlers Dam by 2021</i></p>	<p><i>Information is current and easily found</i> Introduction to duck hunting opportunities in the Taranaki Region <i>Draft text prepared by Aug 2020</i> Explore options for ongoing fishing opportunities for kids and families based on local ponds and threshold experiences <i>Identify and explore future options for Stratford by Aug 2020</i> <i>Review options to maximise use of Sattlers Dam by 2021</i></p>

<p><i>for fishing and the activities of Fish & Game among the general public</i></p>	<p>Incorporate national branding and approaches as per R3 strategy in Children's Fishing Programme</p> <p>Undertake review of fishing opportunities provided at Lake Mangamahoe</p> <p>Develop fishery in Hawera irrigation pond</p> <p><i>Release fish in 2018, 2019 and 2020, monitor the fishery in autumn 2020</i></p>			
<p>Increase participation <i>Encourage past and prospective hunters and anglers into the sport through initiatives which make it easy to have a go and/ or provide support.</i></p>	<p>Explore and develop mentoring schemes for hunters including public instruction/ information days</p> <p><i>Identify possible option(s) by Aug 2020</i></p> <p><i>Implement most promising option identified by May 2021</i></p>	<p>Explore and develop mentoring schemes for anglers including public instruction/ information days</p>	<p>Develop web based introductory package for anglers highlighting easy opportunities including access</p>	<p>Develop web based introductory package for hunters highlighting easy opportunities</p>

	<p>Angler & hunter aspirations <i>In order to best manage the resource and opportunities in the best interests of anglers & hunters it is essential to understand the aspirations of Taranaki licence holders and what they seek from their fishing & hunting experience.</i></p> <p>Improve angler/ hunter access <i>Fundamental to participation is that licence holders need to be able to readily access and utilise the available fish & game populations.</i></p>		<p>Survey of aspirations of trout anglers</p>	<p>and methods to get started</p>	<p>including access and methods to get started</p>	<p>Re-survey of aspirations of duck hunters</p>
	<p><i>Completion of 2nd angling platform</i></p>	<p>Provide for increased angling access around Lake Mangamahoe through provision of third angling platform <i>Agreements and funding in place by Aug 2021</i></p>	<p>Re-survey of aspirations of upland game hunters</p>			
<p>Manage hunter behaviour</p>	<p>Develop long-term strategy to</p>	<p>Implement strategy</p>				
	<p>Negotiate access to Whanganui forests for gamebird hunting</p>	<p>Review and refine permit process and conditions for gamebird hunting</p>				
	<p>Review access information and where appropriate identify contact details/ negotiate access</p>	<p><i>Complete Waingongo review Aug 2021</i></p>				

<p>Maximise hunter enjoyment and participation and also general public support so as to minimise the threat to the sport from anti-hunting groups</p>	<p>achieve appropriate hunter behaviour</p>	<p>Initial actions in place by May 2021</p>	
<p>Promote table qualities of the resource. <i>An important part of the sport is the taking of prime food for the table, and which adds additional value to their sport. Making use of shot game as a natural, healthy food also makes hunting more acceptable to the general public</i></p>	<p>Locate and publicise quality gamebird recipes especially for paradise duck</p>	<p>Locate and publicise quality trout and perch recipes</p>	
<p>Minimise barriers <i>An effective network of licence administration minimises the barriers to purchasing a licence, and in turn can add significant value for the purchaser in terms of providing information and equipment.</i></p>	<p>Provide support, service and upskilling of licence agents to operate as effective licence outlets and sources of valued information on opportunities and techniques</p>		
<p><i>Utilise simple, consistent and easy to understand regulations that are both effective and that minimise uncertainty and reluctance to have a go</i></p>	<p>Review regulations annually with an objective to achieve simplicity and consistency across the region and between regions as opportunities allow</p>		

Work Area <i>(why are we undertaking this objective?)</i>	Key Result <i>(what are we actually doing and how this contributes to objective?)</i>	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
<p>Sports fish monitoring and management</p> <p><i>To obtain necessary information and undertake effective management actions to sustainably manage sports fish populations across the region so as to foster angler success and satisfaction such that they remain in the sport.</i></p>	<p>Obtain baseline information for key streams</p> <p><i>To better understand key fisheries and identify threats and opportunities to the maintenance of important angling resources</i></p>	<p>Review fishery status of Retaruke River</p> <p><i>Extended one year due to unsuitable survey conditions in December 2019</i></p>	<p>Assess juvenile recruitment along the Timaru Stream in preparation for discussion over the weir</p>	<p>Mangahui River system</p>		<p>Waingongoro</p>
<p>Investigate value of stocking specific streams and lakes</p> <p><i>To ensure any stocking programme is effective in terms of an increased return to the angler, is socially appropriate and a sound use of what are limited resources</i></p>	<p>Investigate opportunities to restore fisheries</p> <p><i>Some previously important fisheries have declined over time and there maybe</i></p>	<p>Undertake annual stocking plan</p> <p><i>Achieve proposed stocking programme each year</i></p>	<p>Undertake trial release of 2yr old trout into Patea River</p> <p>Undertake releases and monitoring of lower Patea River under contract to Trustpower Ltd</p> <p><i>Meet annual contract obligations</i></p>			
				<p>Waingamau Mangaroaka Stream</p>	<p>Lake Rotomanu</p>	

	<p>opportunities to restore some of these to the benefit of local anglers</p>	
<p>Angler surveys & diaries <i>These provide a mechanism to effectively monitor many of the regions fisheries which otherwise would be outside the resources available to F&G. This information is important for assessing angler satisfaction, making management responses including regulation setting and also in promoting the importance of the fishery in resource consent and community processes</i></p>	<p>Hatchery <i>Stocking appropriate waterways with trout is an effective way to increase angling opportunity. In particular stocking lakes and impoundments close to urban centres can be highly valued by family and other groups contributing to a healthier lifestyle and enhancing support for fishing and F&G. It is also an important tool to introduce budding anglers to fishing and protecting the licence base</i></p>	<p>Undertake angler diary programme annually <i>Each year promote the scheme and produce annual report of results</i></p>
<p>Review options for the hatchery to ensure that hatchery operation is efficient, effective and sustainable re meeting future stocking requirements. Will be influenced by the National Council stocking review (draft) and R3 needs.</p>	<p>Implement decisions</p>	

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<p>Gamebird monitoring and investigations</p> <p>To obtain necessary information and undertake effective management actions to sustainably manage gamebird populations across the region to maximise hunter satisfaction so they remain in the sport.</p>	<p>Mallard Duck monitoring</p> <p>Obtaining an accurate estimate of the duck population annually to set season regulations is fraught with difficulties and is resource intensive.</p> <p>Furthermore the regulation setting timetable means substantial population changes may occur between any monitoring and regulation setting and the new hunting season. However potentially hunting mortality may either be negligible, compensatory and/or naturally reduce when populations are low anyway. The alternative approach if the population is robust & hunting mortality is relatively minor is to focus on maintaining consistent regulations which allow for a reasonable bag and season length at minimal risk to the population. This manages</p>	<p>Complete Waimarino banding and report on monitoring and management implications.</p> <p>Implement banding protocol for Whanganui area</p> <p>Select and trap first sites 2020</p> <p>Complete site selection and undertake full banding 2021 including recovery of bands</p> <p>Complete report of banding results August 2022</p> <p>Complete annual aerial count of transects across the Taranaki ringplain</p> <p>Count data is summarised in annual discussion paper recommended Game Gazette conditions</p>			<p>Review monitoring programme for the region taking into account banding results and including regulation setting requirements</p> <p>Implement identified monitoring programme</p>	
						<p>Participate in and meet data entry requirements for the National Hunter Survey</p> <p>Target for number of interviews is achieved and data summarised in annual discussion paper recommended Game Gazette conditions</p>

<p><i>hunter expectations and allows them to invest with some certainty to the future while freeing up management resources</i></p>	
<p>Paradise shelduck monitoring Paradise shelduck are an important resource for Taranaki hunters. However in large numbers they can impact on farming operations. Numbers can be effectively monitored by undertaking moult counts across the region and the information used to manage numbers sufficient to provide valued hunting opportunities without unreasonably impacting on landowners</p>	<p>Undertake paradise shelduck moult counts across the region in January each year</p> <p><i>Produce an annual report detailing trends in numbers</i></p> <p>Review current moult sites monitored and how the data is reported</p> <p>Implement recommendations from review</p>
<p>Pukeko monitoring Large aggregations of pukeko create problems for landowners and create a hunting opportunity for licence holders. However over much of the region numbers are very low so it is essential to have sound monitoring information so as to set effective regulations which maximise opportunity while ensuring the sustainability of</p>	<p>Review option for a summer season</p> <p>Undertake monitoring of Taranaki ring plain populations</p> <p><i>Count data is summarised in annual discussion paper re recommended Game Gazette conditions</i></p>

<p>the regional populations.</p> <p>New opportunities <i>There are potentially a number of ways the resource may be supplemented and hunting undertaken. So long as any new approach does not unreasonably impact on other hunters then this is an opportunity that may be valued by a segment of licence holders.</i></p>	<p>Review criteria/ policy to rear and release upland game (awaiting outcome of current process around commercial game preserves)</p>
<p>Dispersal Manage problem aggregations of gamebirds to minimise their impacts on landowners and protect/ create hunting opportunities for licence holders</p>	<p>Quickly and efficiently respond to landowner concerns as required. Implement Special Season for paradise shelduck as and where appropriate</p>

Work Area (why are we undertaking this objective?)	Key Result (what are we actually doing and how this contributes to objective?)	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Compliance Protect resource sustainability and user experience to maintain licence holder satisfaction	Compliance Make best use of available resources to implement the objectives of the Compliance Policy so as to best protect the sports fish & game resource and its use		Review Compliance Strategy			
		Consider other options to undertake compliance if and when these become available				
Honorary Rangers Safe use of honorary rangers to provide effective and valued compliance coverage across the Taranaki region		Undertake effective opening day ranging across the region and at other key times or in response to identified issues <i>Annual compliance report presented to Council</i>	Ranger training in implementing R3 principles All rangers receive introduction to R3 in 20/21 Renew ranger warrants for existing rangers Paperwork submitted by Aug 2021			

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<p>Iwi and public interaction</p> <p>Implementing the principles of the Treaty of Waitangi (partnership, protection and participation) requires Council work proactively and collaboratively with iwi regarding the management of natural resources and their use and protection. It is recognised that there may be a natural</p>	<p>Iwi Liaison</p> <p>Proactively foster close and productive working relationships with iwi at all levels and collectively share expertise and knowledge to achieve greater protection of freshwater and wetland habitats and species. To also enable robust and helpful discussion and decision making on issues affecting licence holders and iwi including use of shared resources, protection of indigenous taonga and access</p>	<p>Take opportunities to involve and work with iwi at all levels on shared matters affecting natural resources and their use, including welcoming iwi to participate in Council</p> <p>Undertake governance role for Whangapehu Freshwater Improvement Fund 2019 – 2021</p> <p>Represent F&G and provide valued input to Te Awa Tupua process</p> <p>Involve iwi at all levels in the development of the Sports Fish and Game Management Plan</p> <p>Work with individual iwi and hapu on local shared issues</p> <p>Identify possible options to increase iwi involvement in Council</p>				

<p>tension around the possible impact of sports fish in particular on indigenous taonga like inanga and tuna, however collectively we also share a concern and determination to look after and improve freshwater and wetlands so as to protect the wairua and for the benefit of all species.</p>		
<p>There are many groups whose decisions and actions impact on the fish & game resource. By working closely and constructively with these groups more can be achieved to protect and enhance resource sustainability</p>	<p>Effective Liaison with Statutory Managers <i>Develop and maintain strong working relationships and involvement with DOC and local and regional councils to effectively represent the interests of hunters and anglers in formal decision-making processes</i></p>	<p>Proactively work with Taranaki and Horizons Regional Council staff</p> <p><i>Involve council staff in GBHT and H&H applications as appropriate</i></p> <p>Develop and maintain constructive relationships with DOC staff as opportunities arise</p>

<p>and user experience</p> <p><i>In the face of an increasing urban population to ensure hunting & fishing is valued by the general public who recognise that these activities contribute to wider good such as a better environment and healthy lifestyle and in turn support protecting these resources and the opportunity to participate.</i></p>	<p>Community Involvement & Advocacy</p> <p><i>Actively seek to contribute to the wider community as part of undertaking F&G activities and highlight these broader benefits to engender wider support for F&G, angling and hunting.</i></p>	<p>Recognise and pursue opportunities to contribute to the wider community as part of undertaking core F&G activities</p> <p><i>Participate in Wild for Taranaki</i></p> <p><i>Contribute to and support activities of Rotokare Scenic Reserve Trust</i></p> <p>Take opportunities to work with community groups on habitat improvement projects</p>
<p>Effective use of the Media</p> <p><i>Maintain positive profile which encourages prospective participants and fosters support and understanding among the general public</i></p>	<p>Review media strategy</p> <p>Implement revised strategy</p> <p>Develop and refine facebook and associated Instagram pages</p> <p><i>Pages in place and actively updated by Aug 2020 (depending on any National Communication Policy and website re-organisation)</i></p> <p>Review and refine website (dependant on national decisions and directions)</p>	

Work Area (why are we undertaking this objective?)	Key Result (what are we actually doing and how this contributes to objective?)	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
Habitat management Protecting / improving habitat for sports fish & game is a fundamental and effective means to sustaining the fish & game resource in the interests of licence holders	Taranaki Freshwater Plan Sports fish and game habitat will be better protected by effective provisions in this Plan. This will also limit the resources F&G expends on addressing individual consent applications freeing these resources up to be used elsewhere	Actively engage in the process to protect and enhance the interests of Taranaki hunters and anglers Process deadlines to contribute and submit are met				
Effectively engage in RMA consent processes. In the absence of greater direction in regional plans it is necessary to engage in individual consent applications to ensure protection of Fish and Game resources and access to these	Effectively engage in RMA consent processes. In the absence of greater direction in regional plans it is necessary to engage in individual consent applications to ensure protection of Fish and Game resources and access to these	Engage in relevant specific consent applications to protect F&G interests	Trustpower consents for the Mangorei and Motukawa hydro schemes (consents expire 1 June 2021)	Review strategic approach re engagement in individual consent processes Dependent on progress with Taranaki Freshwater Plan		
Habitat enhancement Take opportunities by working co-operatively to share knowledge, promote, fund and	Habitat enhancement Take opportunities by working co-operatively to share knowledge, promote, fund and	Work with other parties to remove		Establish environmental award		

	<p><i>encourage landowners and community groups to improve habitat for the benefit of sports fish and gamebird species and fishing and hunting opportunity</i></p>	<p>Glenn Road Weir</p> <p>Explore options to remove Timaru Stream weir</p> <p>Promote and explore any opportunities to improve water quality in Lake Rotomanu</p> <p>Promote and develop quality wetland and upland game habitats in association with private landowners and other agencies and including by promoting the GBHT and H&H funds</p> <p><i>At least 3 applications to GBHT & H&H fund per year</i></p> <p>Keep up to date with current predator control techniques and operations and actively seek to implement effective programmes as opportunities arise</p> <p>Orautoha riparian protection works</p> <p><i>Complete annual work programmes as per funding application</i></p>
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Work Area (why are we undertaking this objective?)	Key Result (what are we actually doing and how this contributes to objective?)	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24
<p>Planning & Administration</p> <p>The Taranaki Sports Fish & Game Management Plan is a statutory requirement and formally reflects the aspirations of hunters and anglers. The Plan provides high level direction and guidance for management activities and also other statutory plans in the interests of the resource and users</p>	<p>Review Management Plan The Plan is required to be reviewed in whole no later than 10 years after it was approved. Any review will include the opportunity for submissions by hunters and anglers and F&G will also consult with other parties, iwi and agencies as appropriate and consistent with Treaty of Waitangi obligations to ensure the plan is comprehensive, effective and of value.</p>	<p>Undertake plan review</p>				
<p>Strategic planning Implement Management Plan through ongoing review and refinement of 5-year Strategic Plan to provide clear and agreed direction regarding future work programmes and resource allocation and requirements. This strategic plan to guide development of a timely, planned and effective Annual Operational Workplan</p>	<p>Review 5-Year Strategic Plan annually and as required</p>					

<p><i>Strong and effective governance to ensure that the activities of Council are appropriate, well run and reflect the aspirations of all licence holders</i></p>	<p><i>that reflects the aspirations of hunters and anglers</i></p> <p>Focus on governance Achieve appropriate diversity across the Council and provide Councillors with professional governance support to best represent the interests of all licence holders</p>	<p>Identify possible options and strategies to increase the diversity of Council</p>	<p>Implement key options identified</p>	
			<p>Co-ordinate Council Election</p> <p>Undertake governance training</p>	
<p><i>Effective and concise administration with accurate reporting to support sound financial management and efficient use of resources in the best interests of the licence holder and fish & game resource</i></p>	<p>Simplify operational outputs and coding <i>Provide effective and helpful reporting while minimising unnecessary detail and the time and resources this involves which can be used elsewhere</i></p> <p>New Plymouth and Whanganui offices <i>Provide effective and healthy office space including storage which is also obvious and accessible to our users and the general public</i></p> <p>Administrative improvements <i>Make best use of new systems and technology to maximise administrative efficiencies and minimise costs so resources</i></p>	<p>Implement any outcomes of National Council financial review</p>		

	<p>are available for use elsewhere</p>	
<p>Support for Council Provide valued support to Council which facilitates effective Council governance and operation</p>		<p>Recommend changes to 5-Year Strategic Plan, prepare draft Annual Operational Plan and draft Performance Report</p> <p>Prepare concise and complete agenda papers including with a recommended course of action</p>
<p>Health & Safety Maintain effective systems to ensure a safe and healthy working environment and the safety of staff and visitors</p>		<p>Implement and review Health & Safety Policy, Manual and systems and processes as per identified timetable</p> <p>Annual audit and other identified requirements are reported to Council</p>

Review: February 2021 Council Meeting

RISK REGISTER & RISK TREATMENT ACTION PLAN - TARANAKI FISH & GAME - DECEMBER 2020

	Risk Type	Risk Description	Likelihood	Impact	Actions already in place	Person Responsible	Further Actions Required (if any)
1	Operational	Data loss from computer virus, data corruption	Possible - 3	Moderate - 3	New computers with up to date anti-virus protection. Have moved to cloud based software and document storage.	Office administrator	
2	Operational	Lack of capacity to undertake core roles effectively	Possible - 3	Major - 4	Skilled & experienced staff in place and available to work together where necessary. Use of volunteer rangers and hatchery workers	Manager	Succession plan
3	Operational	Review of Sports Fish & Game Management Plan is not completed by expiry date of current plan (Aug 2021)	Possible - 3	Moderate - 3	Review scheduled however it is difficult to engage meaningfully with licence holders, iwi and other agencies when the future of Taranaki F&G is uncertain	Manager	On hold until F&G review complete
4	Health & Safety	Health and Safety related event resulting in significant harm or injury to staff, contractors or volunteers	Possible - 3	Major - 4	Ensure staff and volunteers comply with Health and Safety Policy and processes. Ensure H&S manual is current and regular reviews, staff meetings and auditing occurs as scheduled. Report on H&S as regular agenda item.	Manager	Ongoing identification of new hazards.
5	Health & Safety	Under Covid-19 staff are put in situations that could potentially jeopardise their health or others around them	Possible - 3	Major - 4	Respond and adhere to conditions or directives imposed at Government-determined Alert Levels that include work place conditions and safety, personal protective gear, etc. Follow recommended best practice.	Manager	Implement further work place and personal protective measures as identified and/ or required by Government.
6	Species Management	Fish - severe weather or geomorphological events impacting on fish population at a local or regional scale	Almost certain - 5	Moderate - 3	Unable to mitigate. Recognise that wild populations will rebound and carry out regular monitoring of key populations to identify changes.	Manager	
7	Species Management	Game and Fish - climate induced events i.e., drought impacting on gamebird population	Almost certain - 5	Moderate - 3	Unable to mitigate. Carry out regular monitoring of key populations to identify changes. Recognise that some events maybe positive for some species	Manager	
8	Species Management	Decline of Taranaki ring-plain fishery due to reductions in water quality and quantity	Likely - 4	Likely - 4	Take planning and individual consent opportunities under the RMA to promote maintenance of suitable water flows and water quality to sustain viable trout fisheries around the ring-plain	Senior Field Officer - Taranaki	Engage in the Taranaki Freshwater Plan process
9	Species Management	Culling/ poisoning of paradise shelduck populations	Possible - 3	Major - 4	Work closely and proactively with landowners and farmers to manage problem aggregations of paradise shelduck. Hold Special Season where appropriate. Monitor population trends.	Manager	
10	Species Management	Political - Status of indigenous biodiversity is promoted over that of sports fish by statutory agencies and legislation	Likely - 4	Likely - 4	Promote freshwater fishing as a valid recreational pursuit with significant financial, recreational & health benefits and as kai for resident and non-resident anglers. Portray F&G in positive light as an environmental organisation. Promote strong angler ethics amongst anglers. Clarify interaction of native fish and sports fish based on science. Maintain close working relationships with iwi and other agencies to achieve the best for all freshwater species.	Manager	Proactively engage with iwi and other groups as opportunities are identified.

	Risk Type	Risk Description	Likelihood	Impact	Actions already in place	Person Responsible	Further Actions Required (if any)
11	Financial	Ongoing decline in licence revenues	Like / - 4	Major - 4	Regular contact with licence holders/ updated web pages to provide information which assists their experience. Kids fishing days.	Manager	Implement the R3 programme (Recruitment, Retention & Reactivation) including review of Kids fishing days.
12	Financial	Decline in fish and game licence sales due to virus outbreak	Like / - 4	Major - 4	Revise budget for current and next year, cut any unnecessary spending and new spending from reserves	Manager/ Council	Work with F&G National Council and implement agreed actions to ensure financial viability
13	Financial	No grant available from National Council	Possible - 3	Severe - 5	Manage region effectively, in a financially prudent manner and on budget to achieve core functions and licence holder satisfaction. Maintain short-term capacity to address short fall through reserves	Manager/ Council	Work with F&G National Council and other regions to best achieve statutory obligations
14	Council	Reputation - Lack of support from licence holders and other agencies arising from criticism and aspersions regarding F&G performance	Possible - 3	Major - 4	Maintain awareness of the need to operate in a transparent, efficient and effective way to best serve licence holders. Ensure our actions and comments are professional and reflect well on F&G	Manager/ Council	
15	Council	Reputation - Perceived conflict of interest among decision makers (councillors)	Possible - 3	Major - 4	Maintain awareness of the need to manage perceived conflict of interests appropriately and transparently. Follow Standing Orders and including the use of a Conflict of Interest register	Chairperson/ Council	
16	Council	Future - Changes in F&G structure arising from national review/s	Like / - 4	Major - 4	Operate in an efficient and effective way to best serve local and national licence holders	Council	Engage in the process with the best interests of the F&G resource and licence holders both locally and nationally at the forefront of our responses

TARANAKI Risk Matrix

Impact	5	Reduced Grant	Sparks vs Budget/works fish debate	5
	4	Lack of capacity	Seafloor in water fish debate	4
		Loss of reputation	fish debate	
	3	Conflict of Interest	Financial (Sparks)	4
		H&S		
		H&S - Covid		
		Illegal culls		
		Data Loss		
	2	Management Plan review delayed	Severe weather / climate	5
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Likelihood

TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL

The Chairman
Taranaki Fish and Game Council

HEALTH AND SAFETY – November 2020

Background

As part of its commitment to Health and Safety and providing a safe workplace the Council requires a report at each meeting detailing the implementation and adherence to the Health and Safety policy and manual including;

1. any new issues or hazards that have arisen and how these have been addressed
2. progress with any ongoing issues
3. outcomes of audits and reviews required in the Health and Safety manual
4. any near misses or injuries and including investigation outcomes and recommendations

Update

1. New issues or hazards	
Secure gun safe in NP office	Completed - Dynabolted to the wall
Electric fishing machine certification	Will use instrument technician to check electrical safety using checklist – scheduled for February

3. Ongoing issues	
New HCP for Jillie working from Mahoney Street	Completed, new desk light and RCD purchased
Additional copy of H&S manual for manager to hold at Kurua Road office	Completed
New protocol for Lake Rotomanu Kids Fishing day	Completed, Allen to refine in light of experiences on the day
Covid-19 response	Maintaining a watching brief and readiness to follow any government directives if the situation changes

4. Audits, reviews and meetings	
HSE included as agenda item for staff meeting	Staff meeting held 24 November 2020
Annual review of Health and Safety Manual	Completed July 2020
Self-audit form	Completed July 2020
Annual review of Hazard Control Plans	All up to date, review dates amended to stagger review timing
3 yearly H&S Policy Review	Completed August 2019
Fire extinguisher checks	Checked and serviced June 2020
Staff check use of PPE gear by others in the field	Checked as part of Patea trout releases
Monthly checks of PPE gear and first aid kits	Completed
5. Near misses and injuries	
Nil	

Glenn Maclean

Regional Manager

24 November 2020

TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL

The Chairman

Taranaki Fish and Game Council

DRAFT RESERVE POLICY PRINCIPLES

National Fish & Game Council's Standing Finance Committee is seeking to develop a new policy for the accumulation, management and application of reserves within Fish & Game. As a key step in this they are asking regions for comment on a set of proposed principles to guide development of the policy. These proposed principles are laid out in the attached paper.

Note the author is a co-opted advisor to the Standing Finance Committee.

The draft principles identify 3 sorts of reserves. General and Dedicated Reserves are funds which a regional F&G council has full control over in terms of how they are used. Dedicated Reserves are held for some specific purpose however the council always has the option to change its policy and use these in any other way it may choose. Furthermore a council would have discretion to move funds between general and dedicated reserves and to create new reserves.

Restricted Reserves have specific limitations on how they may be used which often involve 3rd party conditions. For example mitigation packages often stipulate how the money is to be used.

A significant difference from the past is that the use of general reserves would no longer require National Council approval (so long as general and dedicated reserves exceed 30% of annual operational budget). Instead National Council's role is one of monitoring the level of retained reserves to ensure the financial wellbeing of the overall organisation.

The principles suggest that for general and dedicated reserves in excess of 50% of budget (or income for levy paying regions) that these should be being actively used in the interests of current licence holders rather than just being accumulated. Use of reserves between 30 and 50% of budget would be entirely at the discretion of regional F&G councils however they must report on this use. Below 30% the principles would require that these reserves are held to provide for cash flow and risk management.

A similar structure is proposed for National Council reserves.

Taranaki F&G perspective

Overall the principles are strategic and designed to both protect both the short and long-term viability of the organisation and also make best use of licence holder funds.

In wider discussions grant paying councils have identified that the requirement to hold between 30 to 50% of income in general and dedicated reserves may actually mean that they are holding reserves that are in excess of 100% of their operating budget. This seems excessive, though ultimately a drop in income will most impact on these councils who may have to use their reserves to pay their grant contributions.

A suggested solution is that the principles should identify at the highest level a total level of general and dedicated reserves to be held across Fish & Game. For example 30% of the total operating budget. This would then guide setting the level of reserves to be held by individual councils. This approach is supported as being the most efficient in ensuring sufficient funds are retained while avoiding holding unnecessary excesses.

Dedicated reserves may be created by the direct transfer of licence fees from general reserves into these funds, or from other sources such as the sale of land, diversion payments and funds introduced from other sources. We support that any dedicated fund (which by definition is under the full control of the Fish & Game Council) is available for use in an emergency i.e should be included in any calculation for risk management.

However I would argue that those dedicated funds not created directly from licence sales should not be included in calculating monies available for cash flow purposes. Otherwise this removes the incentive to sell assets to better use the resources for other strategic initiatives, or to seek alternative funding. Nor is it consistent with diversion offers for example that stipulate how any monies received will be used.

To this end I suggest the principles should differentiate between a level of general and dedicated reserves created directly from licence revenue held for cash flow purposes, and a level of general and all dedicated reserves held for risk management purposes.

On the basis that an appropriate overall level of reserves is identified and maintained across the organisation as discussed above then I would suggest that there is no need for a separate central risk management fund and the lost opportunity to otherwise use these monies. As intuitively attractive as holding larger reserves is, this may not be that helpful in practice. In my experience the key in a crisis is to identify the developing issue quickly and equally to react decisively and promptly. Reserves shouldn't be about maintaining business as usual as this leads to inaction, rather they are to buffer the organisation through any necessary changes.

However there should be a mechanism to redistribute excess licence revenue generated by an income producing council or accumulated by a grant receiving council. A potential mechanism could be to use the same general and dedicated reserves (those derived directly from licence revenue) included in the cash flow calculation and make available any amount above say 75% of the council's operating budget. The difference between say 75% and 50% (or less if other dedicated funds are available for calculating the risk management level) would still leave a reasonable amount to undertake other projects, bearing in mind that salaries should not be paid out of such reserves.

Finally the opportunity to comment on the draft principles that will be used to guide development of the Reserves Policy is appreciated by this Council. Often our only chance to comment on National Policy is once the policy is essentially developed which has restricted the opportunity for any meaningful consultation.

RECOMMENDATION

- A. That Taranaki Fish and Game Council support the draft principles on the Accumulation, Management and Application of Reserves within Fish & Game with the following recommendations that;

1. a principle defining the overall level of reserves to be held by Fish & Game be included
2. for cash flow purposes only general and dedicated reserves derived directly from licence revenue be used in this calculation
3. general and dedicated reserves derived directly from licence revenue in excess of some defined limit be available for redistribution when required
4. a 2nd Central Risk Management Fund is not supported

B That Taranaki Fish & Game records its appreciation for the opportunity to be involved in the development of the draft principles to guide development of the policy document

Glenn Maclean

Regional Manager

17 November 2020

Draft Policy on the Accumulation, Management and Application of Reserves within Fish and Game

Author: Ray Grubb, Chair of the Standing Finance Committee, NZC

Definitions

General and Dedicated Reserves are defined as unused licence holder funds which have no restrictions on their use. They can be accumulated from a number of sources.

Restricted Reserves have specific limitations on their use, usually involving third party conditions, that render them unable to be used for any other purpose.

General and Dedicated Reserves

Overriding Principles

1. Both the New Zealand Fish and Game Council (NZC) and the Regional Fish and Game Councils, as individual Bodies Corporate under the Conservation Act (1987), have individual responsibility to manage financial resources under the Public Finance Act (1989). They therefore manage their own reserves.
2. Councils accept there is a collective responsibility for the financial health of the overall organisation and accept the need for a National Reserves Policy and an associated reporting and monitoring system.
3. General Reserves are held for:
 - a. Risk management
 - b. Cashflow support
4. Dedicated Reserves are held for defined future purposes.
5. General and Dedicated Reserves can be amalgamated at any time for the purpose of risk management or cashflow support (and therefore become General Reserves).
6. A Committee of the NZC will be established called the 'National Audit and Risk Committee'. This Committee is a financial governance group and will perform an overview and monitoring role. The Committee will comprise representatives of Regional governance and NZC governance. The Committee may co-opt independent members to assist. The Committee itself cannot make decisions; its role is to make recommendations to the NZ Council which may make any decisions it see fit
7. For Levy paying regions, the total of General and Dedicated Reserves should be maintained at between 30% and 50% of licence income.
8. For Grant receiving Regions, the total of General and Dedicated Reserves should be maintained at between 30% and 50% of annual operational budget.
9. For the NZC, the total of General and Dedicated Reserves should be maintained at between 30% and 50% of annual Operational Budget.
10. Reserves should not be held for unnecessarily long periods of time. As a general rule, they should be used for current licence holder benefit.
11. Every Region shall adopt a Risk Management Policy

Policy

1. Every council that holds more than 50% General and Dedicated Reserves for a financial year shall seek NZC approval through the Audit and Risk Committee to continue to hold elevated reserves.

2. Every Council that wishes to reduce its General and Dedicated Reserve below 30% for a period greater than six months shall seek NZC approval through the Audit and Risk Committee.
3. the Audit and Risk Committee may require a management plan be entered into to return reserves to the 30%/50% band.
4. Following consultation, the NZC can change and set new levels of reserves in this policy in response to circumstances that affect the organisations overall financial wellbeing.
5. Every Council shall report quarterly to NZC on its;
 - a. Level of General Reserve
 - b. Movement in the level of its General Reserve for the quarter
 - c. Details of expenditure of General Reserve for the preceding quarter.

Dedicated Reserves

1. Dedicated Reserves may be established by any council at any time
2. Every Dedicated Reserve shall be established with a standard template and set of rules that include:
 - a. The singular purpose of the reserve
 - b. The means for approving the actual expenditure of the reserve
 - c. The period of time within which the reserve shall be used
 - d. The process for annual review of continuing purpose of the reserve.
3. Every council shall report quarterly to NZC on its
 - a. Level of Dedicated Reserves
 - b. Movement in the level of Dedicated Reserves
 - c. Establishment, level, and conditions surrounding new Dedicated Reserves
 - d. And report annually on changes resulting from the annual review of continuing purpose.

NZC Reserves

NZC will operate in the same way as regions, that is, have an audit and risk policy and General and Dedicated Reserves held within the same 30%-50% bands of income.

1. NZC General and Dedicated Reserves are to support cashflow and make provision for financial risk.
2. The NZC Dedicated Reserves should be set aside to meet Statutory obligations (RMA and Research) with levels set by the Audit and Risk Committee in consultation with the regions and approved by NZC.
3. NZC shall report quarterly on General and Dedicated Reserves.

Assets and Trust Funds

These include fixed assets (land and buildings), non-fixed assets such as vehicles and machinery. Trust Funds are those for which Fish and Game has a level of financial responsibility.

Policy

1. They should be shown in the region's balance sheet.
2. A comprehensive asset register of all assets and trust funds should be held centrally with NZC.
3. Liability provisions should be reported annually and a register of liabilities should be maintained by NZC. Each council must hold liability insurance against failure of an asset

where the failure may affect other parties. (For example, a wetland managed by Fish and Game causes flooding to nearby farmland).

4. Depreciation should be standardised.

Note.

Opinion in responses to the reserves discussion document was divided as to whether a central risk management fund, separate to the NZC Reserves, should be introduced. Comment on this is requested

TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL

The Chairman

Taranaki Fish and Game Council

DRAFT 2021 GAME SEASON GAZETTE NOTICE

Background

Since 2016 Council has had a policy of retaining consistent game regulations from year to year unless new information supports a need to make significant changes to protect the resource.

This reflects that detailed analysis of long-term harvest data from the Eastern Region indicates that large changes in bag or season length would be required to make any meaningful difference to the duck harvest.

There is also increasing evidence that maximising bag limits does not necessarily maximise hunter satisfaction. To maximise harvest also requires precise and accurate monitoring. However with such patchily distributed and highly mobile species like ducks, it is both exceptionally difficult and very resource intensive to achieve robust estimates. This is further complicated by the timing of the gazettal process which requires Council agree next season's recommendations in December before we can measure this spring's production.

On top of this total harvest is directly related to the total effort and analysis by Eastern Fish and Game found annual changes in effort were best explained by changes in the duck population size. In other words in years of low duck numbers hunters spend less time in the field, and the total harvest is inherently smaller irrespective of any regulation changes anyway.

Collectively all of these factors suggest that rather than trying to maximise bag limits every year Council is better to set consistent season conditions which we can be confident do not impact on resource sustainability while providing sufficient opportunity and setting realistic expectations which ultimately result in greater overall hunter satisfaction.

This consistency from year to year also provides hunters with confidence to invest in equipment and/ or habitat development and predator control programmes.

Therefore this paper is presented from the perspective of whether there is any good reason to depart from the status quo for each gamebird species.

Current population status

Grey and mallard ducks (greylards)

Given the degree of interbreeding and hybridisation these species are treated as a single population for this discussion.

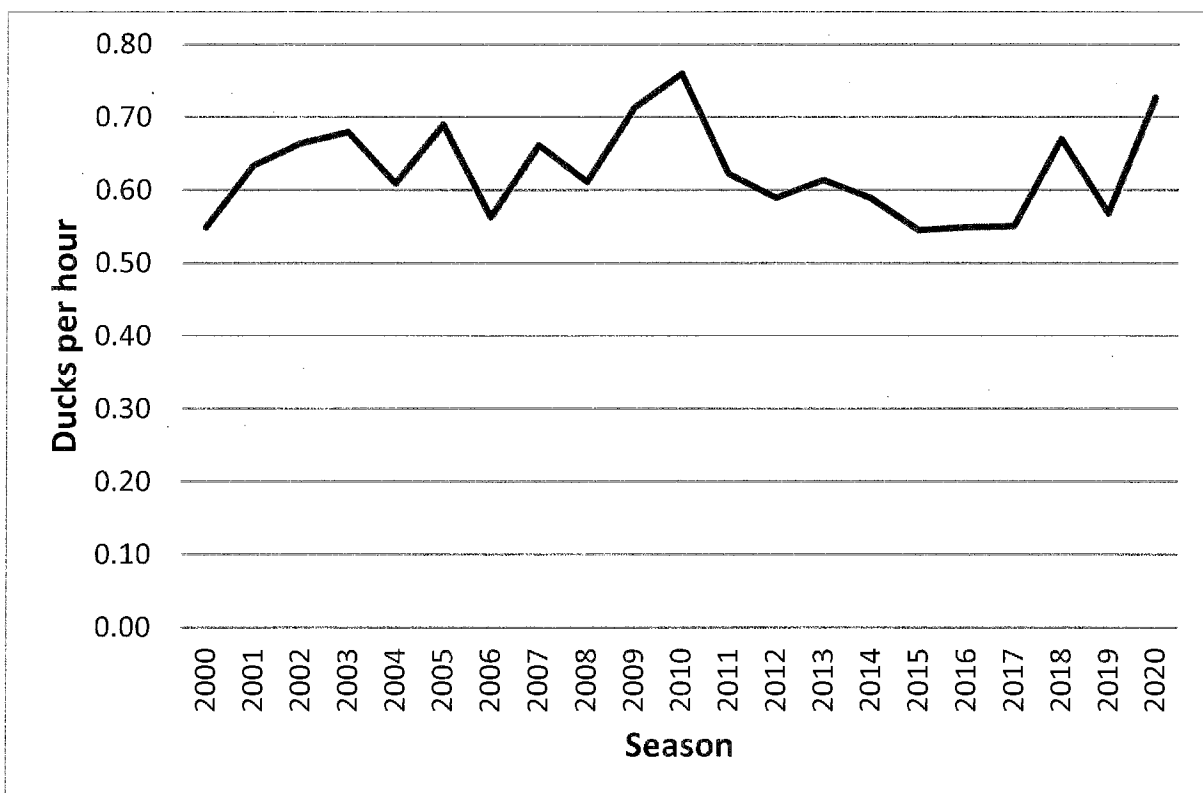
Since 2016 we have undertaken annual counts around the Taranaki ring-plain each April utilising a helicopter. However the count in April 2020 was deferred due to the covid-19 lockdown. While potentially we could have rescheduled the count for early May this risked no longer comparing

apples with apples. For example changes in weather or in crop harvesting or availability or in feeding out practices may naturally result in a change in the duck distribution and subsequent count.

While this isn't ideal, our strategy of maintaining the status quo unless there is a good reason to change allows us to consider other indicators as well.

The hunting results for last season (2020) indicate that while hunter success rate (greylards shot per hour) was higher than average (Figure 1) the total greylard harvest was low due to much less hunting effort (Figure 2).

Figure 1. Average hunter harvest rate of greylards (ducks per hour) from the National Hunter Survey 2000 to 2020 seasons



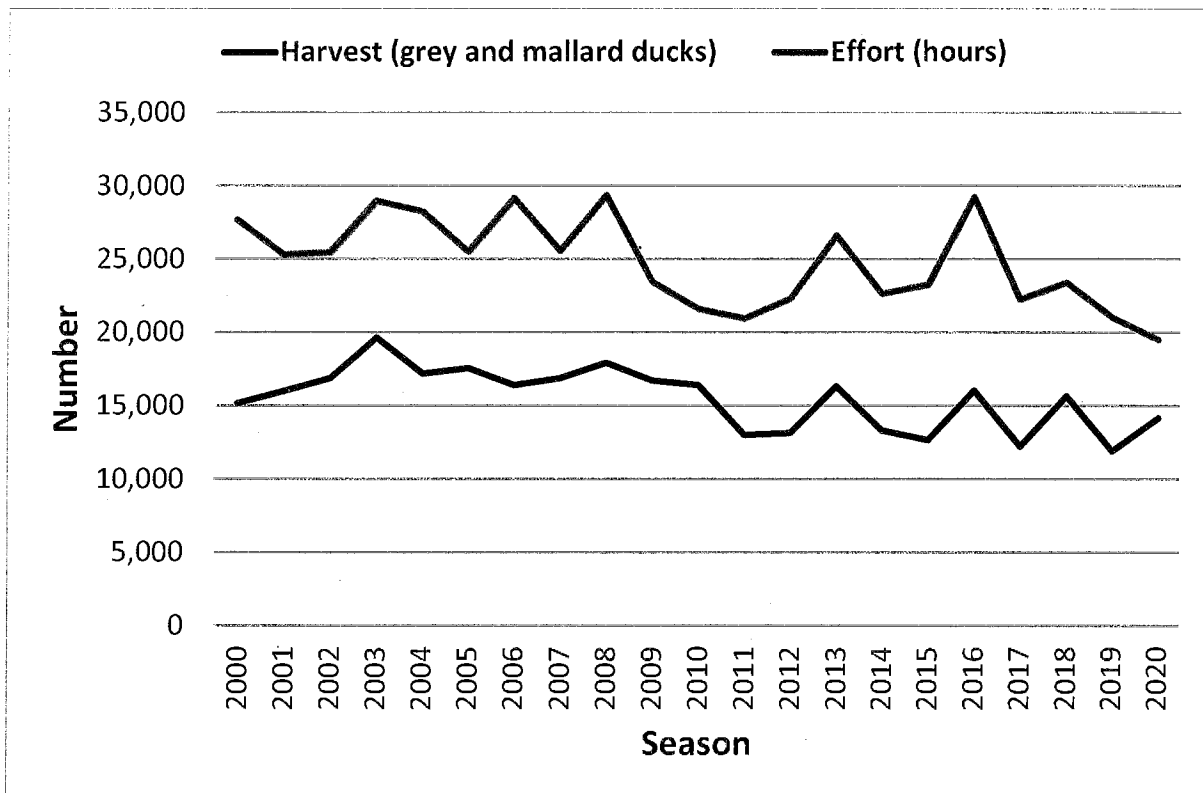
The high harvest rate likely reflects a strong population at this time, however the low harvest consistent with recent seasons suggests hunters were unlikely to have had a significant impact.

In terms of breeding this season it has been a typical year with regular rain however temporary water has not generally lain around for long. In the absence of lots of ephemeral water then we expect that breeding success has only been average.

However, mallard research also indicates that a major driver of production is simply the number of hens that get to breed, and in particular older experienced birds which have a higher success rate. One advantage of the apparently lower harvest over recent seasons is that there should be more hens to breed further increasing production this spring and summer.

In the absence of any obvious reason to be concerned about the greylard population size then we recommend continuing with the status quo of a 10-bird limit and two-month season.

Figure 2. Total hunting effort (hours) and harvest of greylards for the Taranaki Region 2000 to 2020 (from National Hunter Survey)



Shoveler duck

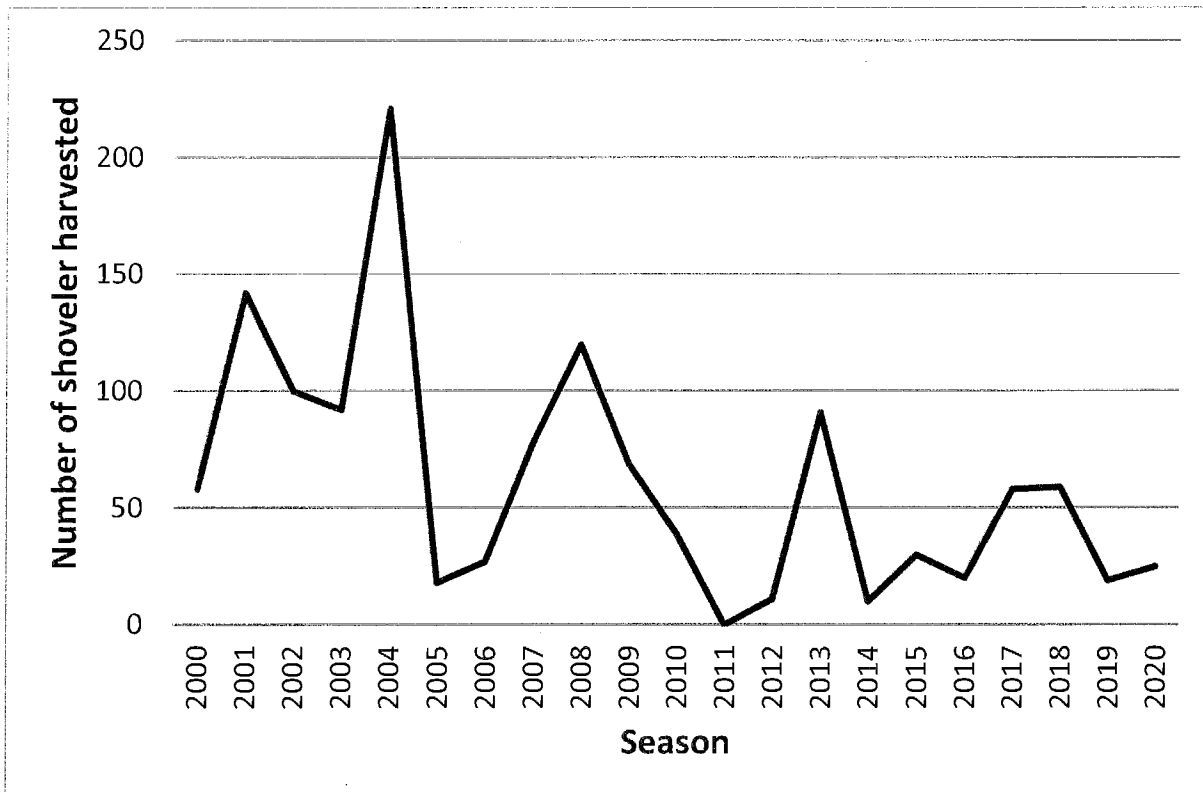
Monitoring of known aggregations of shoveler occurs in August each year. At this time the birds congregate to select mates before separating off to secluded breeding sites. Monitoring occurs across NZ reflecting the view that the population is a single national population that moves around the country.

Across the Taranaki region we counted 301 shoveler duck in August 2020, which is 15% below our long-term average and well down on last year's count of 492 shoveler. However nationally the population trend remains stable over the last 21 years with no detectable short-term change.

As figure 3 indicates the harvest in 2020 (estimated 25 birds) remains very minor despite extending the season length last season to the standard 2 months consistent with other waterfowl species.

This level of harvest is consistent with recent seasons and suggests shoveler are not generally targeted by Taranaki hunters. Given the very low level of harvest and stable national population then it is recommended that the status quo of a 2-bird daily bag limit and 2-month season be retained.

Figure 3. Estimated shoveler duck harvest across the Taranaki Region 2000 to 2020 seasons (from National Hunter Survey)



Paradise Shelduck

The moult count in January 2020 in the Waimarino region (4,241 paradise shelduck) represents 265 birds per pond which is generally higher than in more recent years (Figure 4). The mean counts around the Taranaki ring-plain also showed an increase, however the Whanganui estimates remain at low levels.

These counts suggest that the population is generally stable across the region but at the “low end” of its historical range of abundance.

By comparison the estimated total harvest of 7082 birds over 2020 (Figure 5) was the lowest over recent years. This reflects both a lower estimated total effort and also lower success rate (0.3 birds/hour compared to a long-term average of 0.35 paradise /hour). Whether this success rate was a reflection of fewer paradise shelduck available and / or a consequence of the delayed season is unknown.

Unlike mallards and grey ducks, it appears anecdotally that paradise shelduck breeding does not do so well in years which are very wet. Therefore, the more typical spring period we have had this year should favour breeding success, however we won’t get any estimate of recruitment until we do our moult counts in January.

Figure 4. Average number of paradise shelduck per pond counted across ponds in the Waimarino, Whanganui and Taranaki areas 1992 to 2020 moult counts

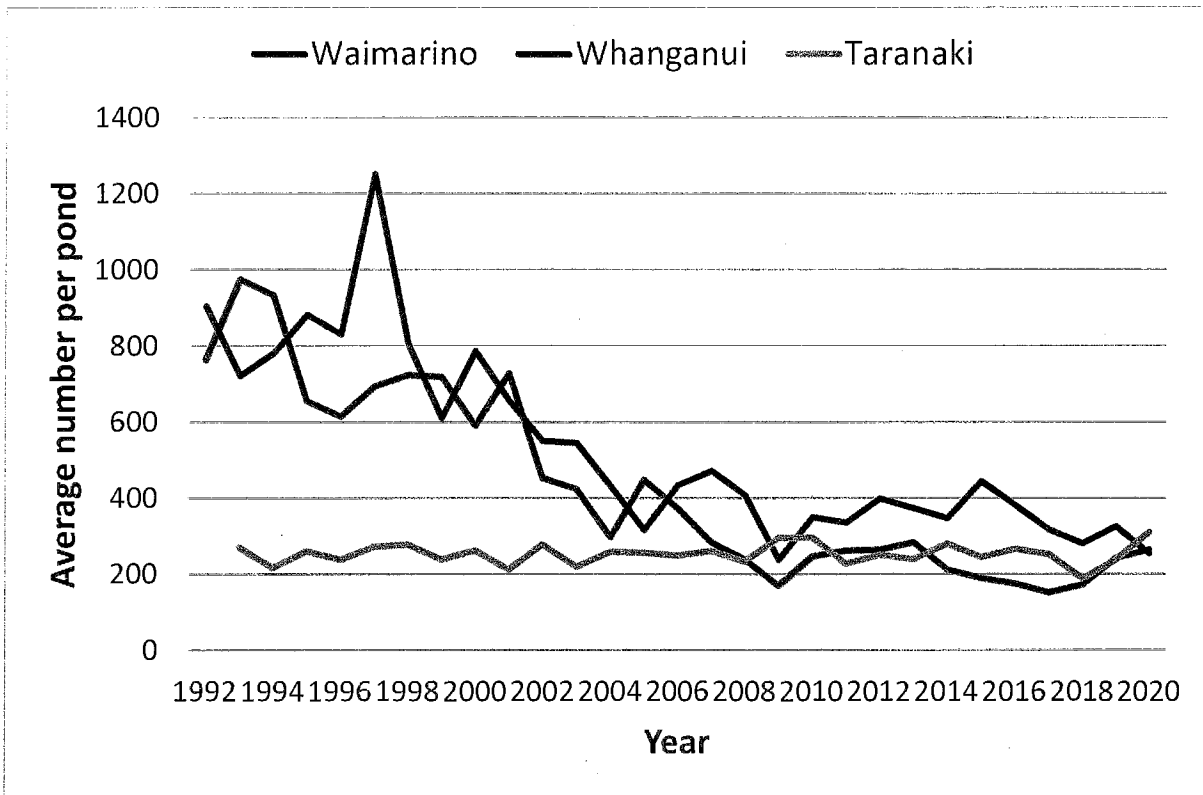
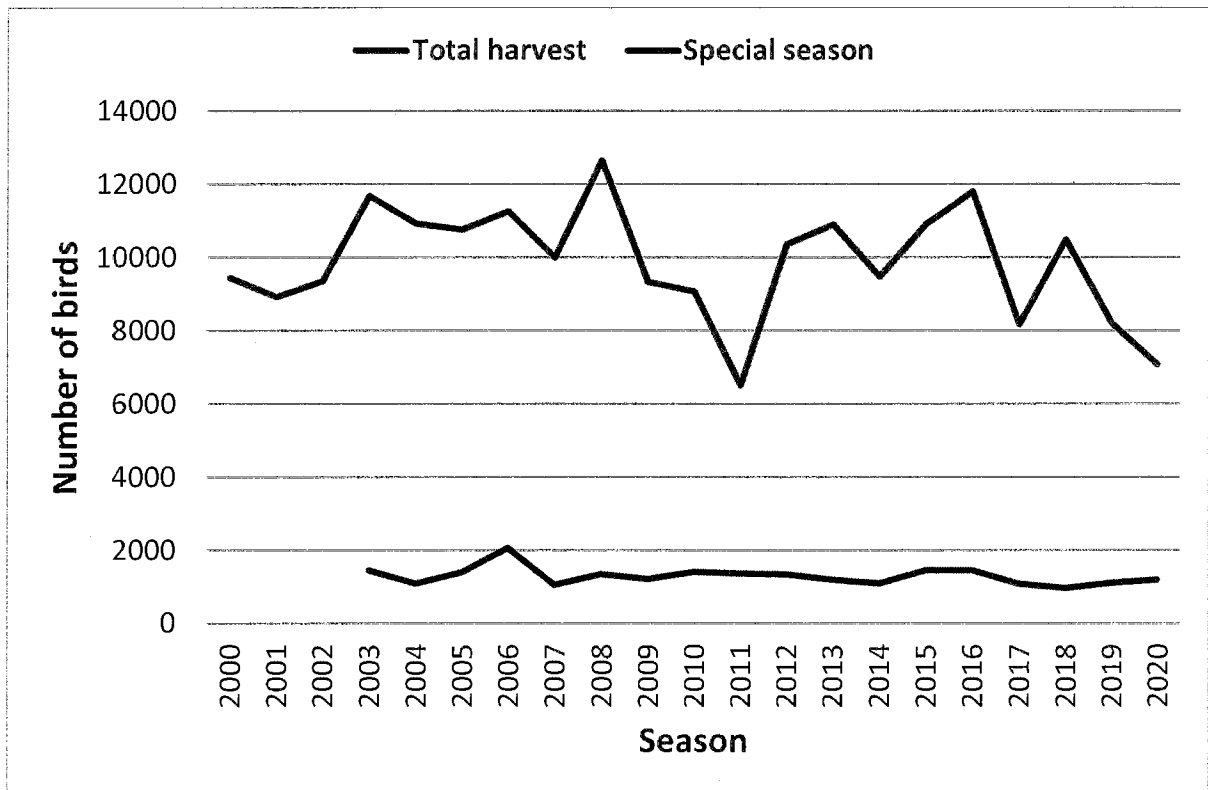


Figure 5 Estimated special season harvest and total annual paradise shelduck harvest across the Taranaki Region 2000 to 2020



In terms of the special summer season in Area C this plays an important role in dispersing flocks of post-moult paradise shelduck that can cause a nuisance to farmers by grazing and fouling areas of new grass, recovering hay paddocks and fodder crops like chicory. It also provides an additional hunting opportunity for licence holders and land occupiers. As Figure 5 highlights the harvest from this season is reasonably consistent at around 1000 birds per year and a relatively small part of the total annual harvest.

Manipulating this harvest is further complicated by the need to set these special season regulations more than a year in advance. For this reason, it is recommended to stick with the current special season conditions. However, with the populations in Areas A and B at their lower end any additional harvest from a Special Season is not supported here, and any impacts from aggregations of birds better managed by working directly with the impacted land owner.

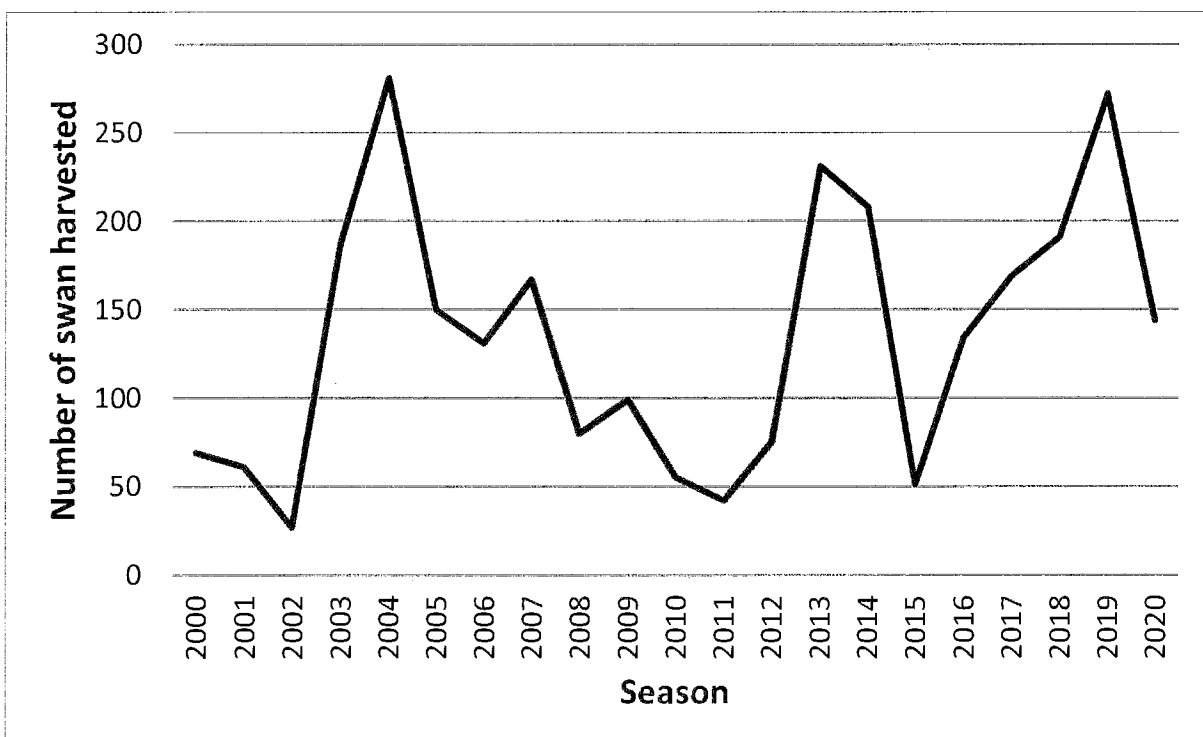
On the basis that the populations generally appear stable along with a low existing harvest then it is recommended that the status quo remain. That is;

- 10 bird daily limit for Areas A, B & C for a two-month season
- 2-weekend special season in Area C for 2022 covering the last weekend in February and first weekend in March 2022

Black Swan

In 2016 the daily limit was increased to 2 birds. Most Taranaki hunters choose not to harvest swan and this increase allowed those few who do to take an extra one for the table. The increased bag limit coincided with a steadily increasing estimated harvest from 80 swan in 2016 to 196 in 2019. However, this season only an estimated 144 swan were taken and the total harvest remains small (Figure 6)

Figure 6 Estimated swan harvest across the Taranaki F&G region 2000 to 2020



Counts of black swan taken as part of the paradise moult counts over January 2020 were slightly above the long-term average across the Taranaki and Waimarino regions and more than twice the long-term average in the Whanganui region (683 birds vs an average of 334 swan). However black swan are relatively mobile and it is thought that a single population extends over central New Zealand and if not further afield. For example, the long-term average for Lake Wairarapa, Wellington west, Whanganui coastal and Nelson/Marlborough (including Farewell Spit) comes to nearly 16,000 swan. This year the estimate was actually 19,871 swan and on this basis and that the harvest estimate is very small in comparison (reflecting hunter demand) it is recommended that the status quo (2 bird daily limit over a 2-month season) remain.

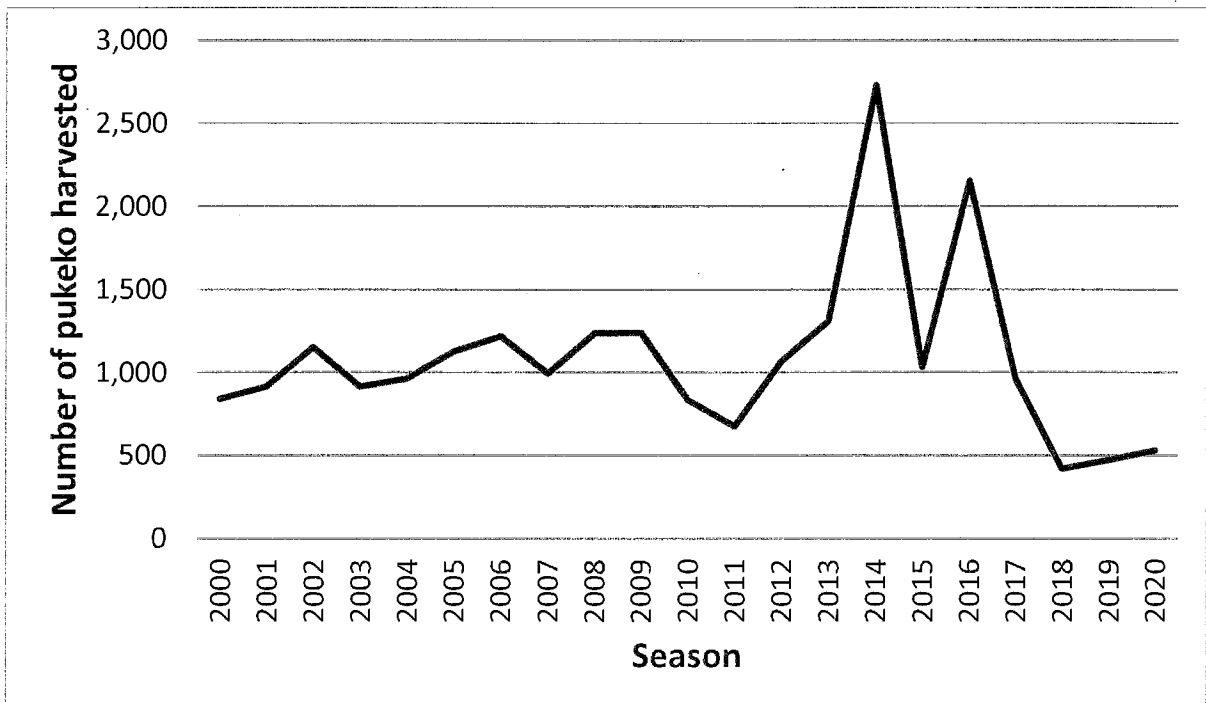
Pukeko

Counts of pukeko have been made along a series of transects around the Taranaki ring-plain since 2005. These counts highlight a significant increase in the pukeko population over this period. However, the count decreased significantly in 2018 and decreased further again last year to 168 pukeko. This count was identical to the long-term average but down from a high of 336 pukeko counted in 2016. Using the total count does mask that the population is very patchy in its distribution and the main change last year was the almost total lack of any very large concentrations along individual transects.

Counts were not possible this year due to the covid-19 lockdown at the time counts are normally made. However, this year 23 permits were issued to disturb pukeko damaging gardens or crops compared to 36 permits last year. This suggests that some problem aggregations remain.

The hunting harvest last season was estimated to be only 530 birds which is the second lowest estimated pukeko harvest since 2000 (figure 7). This low harvest over recent years may be linked to the fact that most hunting targets localised high populations which the monitoring indicates may not have been as frequent as previously.

Figure 7 Estimated annual pukeko harvest in the Taranaki Region 2000 to 2020



Area C currently has a 10 bird daily bag limit along with a 4 month season to enable hunters to target the localised high populations scattered over the ring-plain, so as to address their impacts on agriculture and gardens as well as to create additional hunting opportunity after the main duck season has ended. While our past monitoring suggests that other populations might struggle under this level of harvest if it is mis-directed, in the case of the Taranaki populations it appears that the harvest may be self-limiting. In other words, as the larger populations are controlled it would appear hunters are less inclined to target pukeko anyway. For this reason, it is recommended to continue with a 10-bird limit in Taranaki, and also a 5-bird limit in Areas A and B where the populations are generally much smaller.

Pheasant

The harvest of pheasant over the 2020 season was estimated at 346 birds. This was down on recent years and also down on the long-term average of 392 birds. This lower harvest is also reflected in the lower average harvest rate (Figure 9) of 0.19 pheasants/ hour (one bird every 5 hours). However, this harvest rate is still similar to the long-term average of 0.21 pheasant/hour.

Figure 8 Estimated annual pheasant harvest and total hunting effort in the Taranaki Region 2000 to 2020

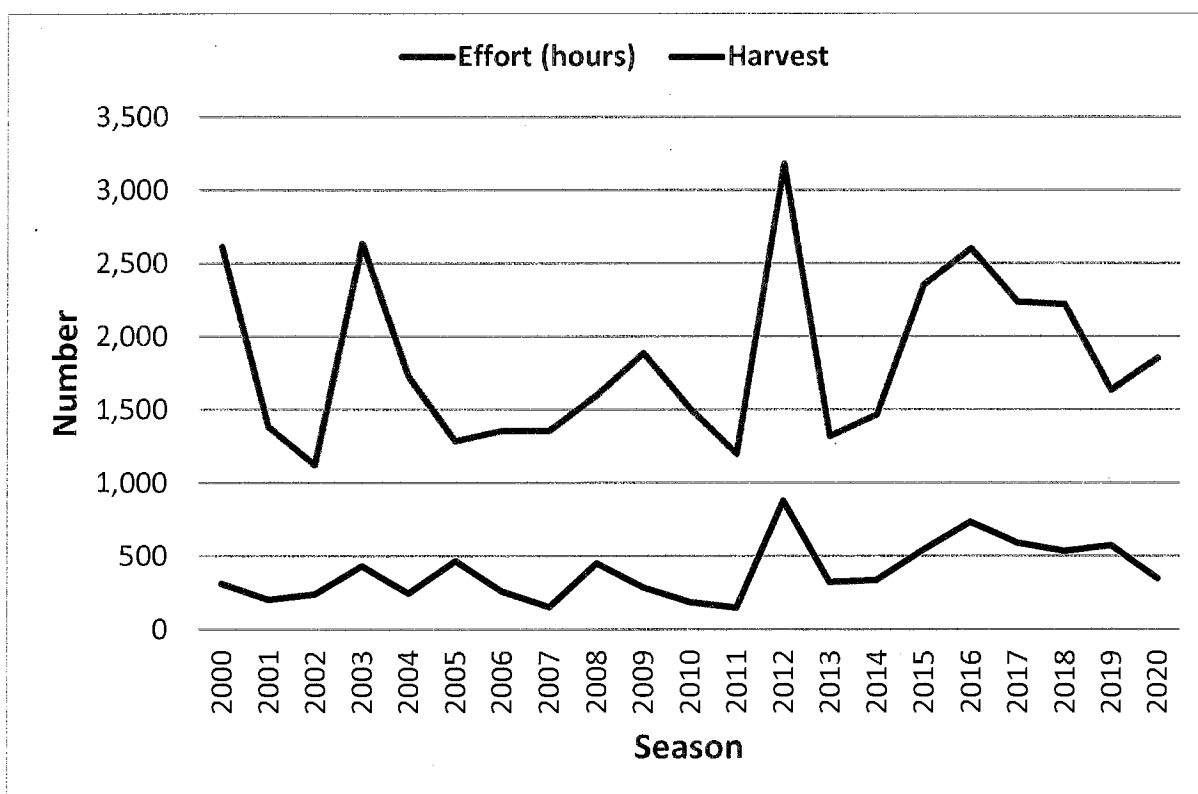
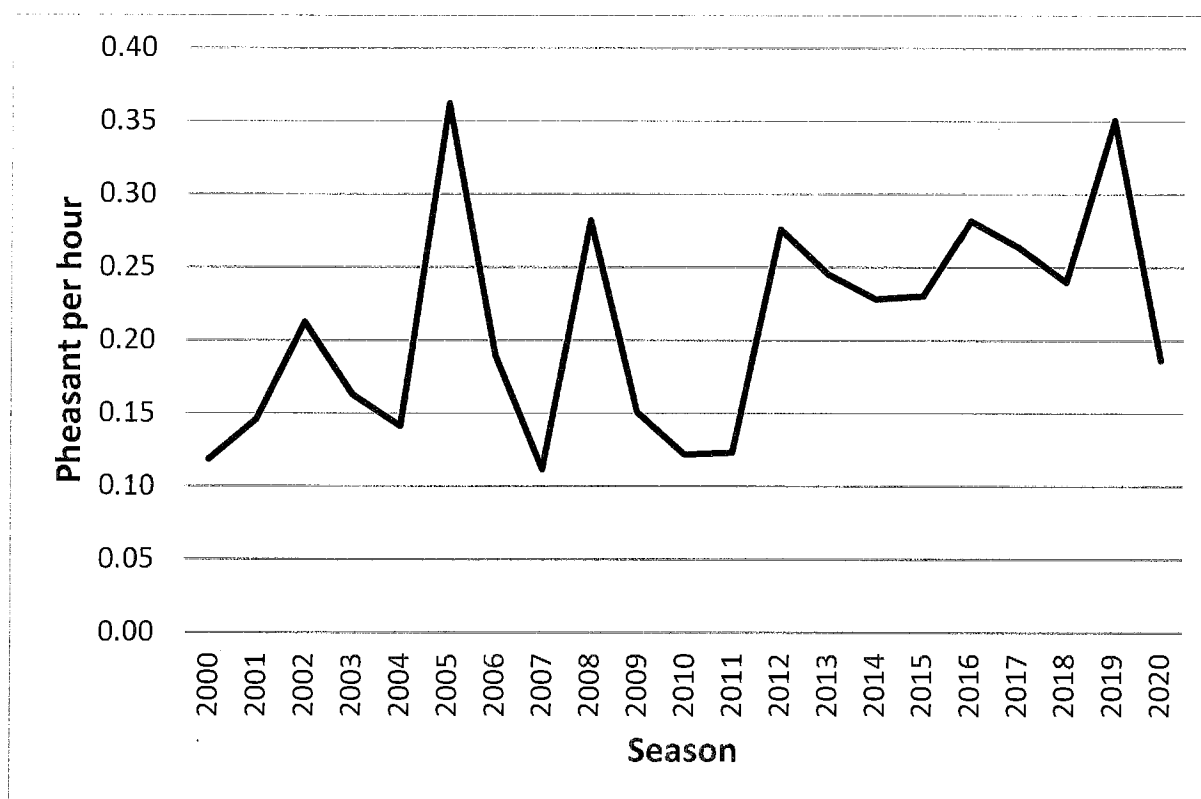


Figure 9 Harvest rate (birds shot per hour) of pheasant Taranaki Region 1992 to 2019



While we do not have an estimate of the current size of the pheasant population they have been very visible around much of the region in recent years and including again this spring. This may well reflect the large-scale predator control programmes and also that planting of manuka is potentially having a positive impact.

The reduced hunter success this season is somewhat surprising given the seemingly robust population. However, it is apparent many populations still go largely unhunted. Nevertheless, with the current level of effort and harvest this suggests there is no need to further restrict the harvest, however nor does there appear any justification to liberalise the regulations. The gamebird hunter survey reported in December 2018 indicates very strong support for the status quo of a 2-bird daily limit and four-month season and it is therefore recommended that these conditions be retained.

California Quail

California quail are very restricted in distribution with few substantial coveys remaining, though there has been quite a bit of comment about where they are now being seen, similar to the apparent increase in pheasant numbers. With such low numbers hunters generally perceive hunting them as difficult and/ or inappropriate. Harvest totals are small (an estimated 60 birds in 2020) and variable which in part is an artefact of the survey design and that just a few hunters shoot quail. For example in some years no quail are reported harvested depending on just who is surveyed.

Such levels of harvest indicate that the daily bag limit of 5 is therefore for the most part irrelevant, however it does allow hunters to make use of the opportunity provided by large coveys where these still exist. As such it is recommended that the status quo remain.

RECOMMENDATION

That Taranaki Fish & Game Council agree that the same bag limits and season conditions as for the 2020 game season be retained as laid out in the following draft 2021 Game Gazette Notice.

Glenn Maclean and Allen Stancliff

11 November 2020

TARANAKI FISH AND GAME REGION¹

1 Game That May be Hunted or Killed—Duration of 2021/2022 Season

Species	Season Duration (dates inclusive)	Daily Bag Limit	Hunting Area
Grey/mallard duck	1 May to 27 Jun 2021	10	All areas
NZ shoveler duck	1 May to 27 Jun 2021	2	All areas
Paradise shelduck	1 May to 27 Jun 2021	10	All areas
	26 and 27 Feb 2022	10	Area C
	5 and 6 Mar 2022	10	Area C
Black swan	1 May to 27 Jun 2021	2	All areas
Pukeko	1 May to 29 Aug 2021	5	Areas A&B
	1 May to 29 Aug 2021	10	Areas C
California quail	1 May to 29 Aug 2021	5	All areas
Cock pheasant	1 May to 29 Aug 2021	2	All areas

2 Definition of Areas

2.1 Area A: That area within the following boundary commencing at Waiaruhe Road; then by that road, Owhakura Road, Whangaehu Valley Road and Fields Track to Kakatahi; then by straight lines to Pipiriki and Tawhata; then by Tawhata Road to the boundary; then by the generally eastern boundary of the region to Waiaruhe Road.

2.2 Area B: That area within the following boundary commencing at Waiaruhe Road; then by that road, Owhakura Road, Whangaehu Valley Road and Fields Track to Kakatahi; then by straight lines to Pipiriki and Makakaho Junction down the eastern bank of the Waitotara River to the sea; then by the sea coast and generally eastern boundary of the region to Waiaruhe Road.

2.3 Area C: The balance of the region contained by the westerly boundaries of Area A and B and the sea coast between the Mokau River and Waitotara River mouths.

3 Shooting Hours

6.30am to 6.15pm.

4 Decoy Limit

No limit.

5 Special Conditions

5.1 Special Paradise Shelduck Season

Area C only: For the Special Paradise Shelduck Season on 26 February, 27 February, 5 March and 6 March 2022, the hours of hunting are extended 6.30am to 8.00pm. In

¹Reference to Description: *Gazette*, No. 83, of 27 May 1990, at page 1861

addition, all hunters, including land occupiers, must hold a 2022 Taranaki Special Paradise Shelduck Season Hunting Permit that has been issued by the Taranaki Fish and Game Council (or authorised agent) to that named person.

5.2 No person shall hunt, as specified, within 200m of any urban sewage oxidation pond.

5.3 No person may wilfully leave on the hunting ground any game bird(s) shot or parts of any game birds shot.

5.4 Any licensed game bird hunter who has a Department of Conservation permit to take or kill wildlife for the purpose of hawking may hunt with an Australasian Harrier (*Circus approximans*) to take gamebirds. This is subject to the season length and bag limit for each gamebird species in clause 1 of this notice for this region and subject to any conditions imposed by the Director-General of Conservation under such a permit.

TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL

The Chairman
Taranaki Fish and Game Council

COUNCIL MEETINGS

Council needs to decide when and where to hold its 2021 meetings.

Section 26 ZD (1) of the Conservation Act 1987 provides as follows;
“Meetings of any Fish and Game council shall be held on at least six occasions in the period commencing on the first day of February and ending on the 31st day of December in each year, at such times and places as the Council or the chairperson from time to time appoints.”

Taranaki Fish and Game Council has scheduled 6 ordinary meetings per year, starting at 10am on a Saturday. These dates are now set to meet National Council deadlines for regulation and fee setting process. However it is necessary that they also avoid public or school holidays, which in 2021 are;

Public Holiday	Date
Wellington Anniversary	25 January 2021
Auckland Anniversary	1 February 2021
Waitangi Day	8 February 2021
Taranaki Anniversary	8 March 2021
Good Friday	2 April 2021
Easter Monday	5 April 2021
Anzac Day	26 April 2021
Queen’s Birthday	7 June 2021
Labour Day	25 October 2021

School Holidays
18 December 2020 – 9 February 2021
17 April – 2 May 2021
10 – 25 July 2021
2 - 17 October 2021
20 December 2021 – 31 January 2022

Fish & Game will hold their triennial council election in October 2021, however this may yet be influenced by the current review of Fish & Game. Council should discuss their preference for the location of meetings and the AGM. A recommended schedule of meeting dates is as follows, noting the requirement for the new council to meet within 10 days of the returning officer declaring the election results;

MEETING DATES AND VENUES FOR 2021

<i>Proposed Taranaki Fish & Game Council Meeting Dates</i>		<i>New Zealand Fish & Game Council meeting dates (draft)</i>
Date	Agenda	Location
13 February 2021	5 year plan review	16 & 18 February 2021
20 March 2021	Agree draft budget	16 & 17 April 2021
12 June 2021	Licence fee Anglers notice	17 June 2021
14 August 2021	Adopt Ann Plan	27 & 28 August 2021
30 October 2020	End of year Reports First meeting of new council	26 & 27 November 2021(tbc)
11 December 2020	AGM & Game Gazette recommendation	

RECOMMENDATION That the schedule of meeting dates and venues decided by Council for 2021, be adopted.

Jilli Steedman
SECRETARY
17th November 2020

TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL

The Chairman

Taranaki Fish and Game Council

DRAFT MOU – USE OF LICENCE DATA

Council has been asked by National Fish & Game Council to consider a draft Memorandum of Understanding regarding the use of licence holder's data. This data is that collected as part of selling fishing and hunting licences.

Fundamental to this are meeting the requirements of the Privacy Act 2020 which replaces the Privacy Act 1993 and which comes into effect on the 1 December this year. This new act has a focus on identification and prevention of privacy risks.

The MOU is intended to define when, how and by whom licence holder data will be used by Fish and Game to achieve its statutory functions. Key to this is that the licences are issued by the regions and therefore the responsibility to protect the data collected lies with each region.

Since the original draft was distributed a second version has been developed which includes greater detail added by input of several managers. The original version is attached along with this refined version which also includes explanatory notes.

The amended draft builds on the original draft and is detailed and prescriptive. Given the legal requirements to protect licence holder privacy I suggest that this level of detail is appropriate to provide specific guidance across the range of scenarios that might be envisaged.

RECOMMENDATION

That Taranaki Fish and Game Council supports the attached updated draft MOU on the Use of Data Collected through the Sales of licences Between NZ Council and Regional Fish and Game Councils.

Glenn Maclean

Regional Manager

20 November 2020

Memorandum of Understanding
on
Use of Data Collected through the Sales of Licences
Between
NZ Council and Regional Fish and Game Councils

Context

1. The sale of fishing and game bird licences creates a data set of licence holder details (the database).
2. The principal purpose of the database is to support regional Fish and Game councils (Regional Councils) to carry out their statutory functions at a regional level and to support the New Zealand Fish and Game Council (NZ Council) to carry out its statutory functions at a national level.
3. The principle functions at a regional level are to validate a sports fishing or game bird hunting licence, communicate and promote recreation with licence holders, compliance monitoring, and to assess and monitor the success rate and satisfaction of licence holders.
4. The principle functions at a national level are to advocate in the best interests of all licence holders, co-ordinate across regions and research.

Purpose

5. The purpose of this MOU is to agree on the access to licence holder data between Regional Councils and between Regional Councils and the NZ Council.

Regional Council's Access to Licence Holder Data

6. A Regional Council has access to licence holder details contained in the database to carry out its statutory functions, including
 - communication with, and promotion of the recreation to, licence holders within its region
 - monitoring of compliance and enforcement of regulations for all licence holder details,
 - assessment and monitoring success rate and satisfaction of licence holders within its regions.
7. Tasks which may be typically undertaken by Regional Councils are described further in Schedule 1.
8. Regional Councils may access the database for the reasons listed in Schedule 1 without the need to consult with other Regional Councils or the New Zealand Fish and Game Council.

NZ Council's Access to Licence Holder Data

9. The NZ Council has access to licence holder details contained in the database to carry out its statutory functions, including:
 - a. Advocating in the best interests of all licence holders
 - b. Co-ordinating the distribution of Fish & Game print and electronic magazines, marketing campaigns and the election of Fish & Game councils.

- c. Research, such as the National Angler Survey, licence holder surveys, market analysis.
10. Tasks which may be typically undertaken by the NZ Council are set out in Schedule 2.
11. The NZ Council may access the database for the reasons listed in Schedule 2 and will consult with Regional Councils when it uses the national database to carry out its statutory functions. Where NZ Council seeks access to the database for reasons other than those listed in Schedule 2 it requires the permission of the relevant Regional Council.

Schedule 1 Regional Councils

- Communication with Licence Holders in its own regions, such as:
 - Newsletter distribution by post and email
 - Weekly reports distributed by email
- Promotion and Management of Recreation Resource:
 - Marketing: Part of regional marketing programme, e.g. contacting previous year's licence holders but 'yet to purchase' current season
 - Part of regional marketing programme to re-engage lapsed licence holder – e.g. assessment of licence holder purchase patterns
 - Surveys of back country licence holders for the express purpose of management of those designated fisheries.
- Compliance and Enforcement
 - Assessing whether an alleged offence has occurred – e.g. licence /no licence, or licence purchase history
- Assessment and Monitoring of Success Rate
 - Assessing harvest rate from Game Bird Harvest Survey
- Assessment and Monitoring Licence Holder Satisfaction
- Assessing hunter or angler opinion on issues relating to satisfaction
- Research
 - Assess patterns of a region's licence holder purchase patterns and licence category switching

Schedule 2 NZ Fish and Game Council

- Advocacy
 - Contact licence holders to seek views and support on national level issues
 - Contact licence holders to inform them on national level issues
- Coordination:
 - Co-ordinating Fish & Game's financial viability from an organisational perspective
 - Fish and Game magazine distribution
 - Electronic Magazine distribution, such as Reel life and Both Barrels ezines
 - Marketing to promote programmes, including marketing communication actions e.g. early bird licence communications to previous year's licence holders for the upcoming new season.
 - Triennial Fish and Game elections
- Research
 - National Angler Survey

- Licence holder surveys
- User surveys to test licencing, categories, switching and other buyer behaviour
- Marketing analysis
- Financial viability analysis
- Licence holder behaviour analysis

UPDATED version

Memorandum of Understanding
on
Use of Data Collected through the Sales of Licences
Between
NZ Council and Regional Fish and Game Councils

Context

1. The sale of fishing and game bird licences creates a data set of licence holder details - the database.
2. The principal purpose of the database is to collect personal details as a requirement to validate a sports fishing or game bird hunting licence and to collectively store this data set of licence holder details for all regions.
3. The secondary purpose of the database is to support regional Fish and Game councils (Regional Councils) to carry out their statutory functions at a regional level and to support the New Zealand Fish and Game Council (NZ Council) to carry out its statutory functions at a national level.
4. The principal functions at a regional level¹ are to:
 - assess and monitor the success rate and degree of satisfaction of users (licence holders) of the sports fish and game resource within its region,
 - promote and educate by promoting recreation based on sports fish and game,
 - promote and educate by keeping anglers and hunters informed on matters affecting their interests, and
 - issue licences to hunt game and/or to take sports fish and maintain a register of current sports fishing or game bird hunting licence holders, for compliance monitoring.
5. The principal functions at a national level² are to:
 - represent and advocate nationally the interests of anglers and hunters (licence holders), and
 - provide co-ordination of the management, enhancement, and maintenance of sports fish and game, including development of a research programme promoting the management of sports fish and game.

Purpose

6. The purpose of this MOU is to agree on how Regional Councils and NZ Council will have access to licence holder data contained in the national database, and to work constructively and respectfully in a co-ordinated way in the interests of licence holders.

¹ Conservation Act 1987 section 26Q Functions of Fish and Game Councils.

² Conservation Act 1987 section 26B and 26C Functions of New Zealand Fish and Game Council.

Regional Council's Access to Licence Holder Data

7. A Regional Council has access to licence holder details contained in the database to carry out its statutory functions including:
 - communication with licence holders within its region to promote the recreation based on sports fish and game and to educate by keeping anglers and hunters informed on matters affecting their interests,
 - monitoring of compliance and enforcement of regulations for all licence holders, and
 - assessment and monitoring success rate and degrees of satisfaction of users (licence holders) of the sports fish and game resource within its regions.
8. Tasks which may be typically undertaken by Regional Councils are described further in Schedule 1.
9. Regional Councils may access the database for compliance purposes without the agreement of other Regional Councils.
10. Regional Councils may access the database for all other tasks listed in Schedule 1 within their regions and by agreement of other Regional Councils or as part of an agreed work plan (e.g., an agreed collective Marketing Plan with defined tasks).

NZ Council's Access to Licence Holder Data

11. The NZ Council has access to licence holder details contained in the database to carry out its statutory functions including:
 - representing and advocating nationally in the interests of anglers and hunters (licence holders),
 - co-ordinating the communications and marketing tasks agreed with Regional Councils, and
 - Undertaking research as part of an agreed research programme.
12. Tasks which may be typically undertaken by the NZ Council are set out in Schedule 2.
13. The NZ Council may access licence holder details from the database for the tasks listed in Schedule 2 which are part of an agreed work plan (e.g., an agreed collective Marketing Plan with defined tasks).
14. The NZ Council will consult with Regional Councils when it uses the national database to carry out its advocacy functions. This consultation will be critiqued by a reference panel of at least two regional managers, with the NZ Council chairman signing off permission.
15. If NZ Council is required to make use of the database and there is an urgency in a response, then consultation with the regions will be via a reference panel of at least two regional managers, with the NZ Council chairman signing off permission.
16. Where NZ Council seeks access to the database for reasons other than those listed in Schedule 2 it requires the approval of the relevant Regional Council(s). From time to time there will be new tasks that need to be considered which will be dealt with by the consultation process outlined in paragraph 14 and paragraph 15 (for urgent items).

Schedule 1 - Regional Councils

- **Communication with Licence Holders in its own region, such as:**
 - Newsletter distribution by post and email.
 - Weekly reports distributed by email.
- **Promotion and Management of Recreation Resource:**
 - Marketing: Part of regional marketing programme, e.g., contacting previous year's licence holders but 'yet to purchase' current season.
 - Marketing: Part of regional marketing programme to re-engage lapsed licence holder – e.g., assessment of licence holder purchase patterns.
 - Surveys of back country licence holders for the express purpose of management of those designated fisheries.
- **Compliance and Enforcement**
 - Investigating an alleged offence – e.g., licence /no licence, or licence purchase history
- **Assessment and Monitoring of Success Rate**
 - Assessing harvest rate from Game Bird Harvest Survey and sports fish harvest surveys.
- **Assessment and Monitoring Licence Holder Satisfaction**
 - Assessing hunter or angler opinion on issues relating to satisfaction.
- **Research**
 - Assess patterns of a region's licence holder purchase patterns and licence category switching.
- **Governance**
 - Triennial Fish and Game elections

Schedule 2 - NZ Fish and Game Council

- **Advocacy**
 - Contact licence holders to seek views and support on national level issues (refer to paragraph 14 and paragraph 15 regarding regional consultation).
 - Contact licence holders to inform them on national level issues (refer to paragraph 14 and paragraph 15 regarding regional consultation).
- **Coordination:**
 - ~~○ Co-ordinating Fish & Game's financial viability from an organisational perspective~~
 - Distribution of Fish and Game NZ magazine.
 - Distribution of Electronic Magazine (E-zine), such as Reel life and Both Barrels ezines.
 - An agreed programme of marketing communication actions e.g., early bird licence communications to previous year's licence holders for the upcoming new season.
- **Research** – under an agreed research work programme for each of the following potential tasks:
 - National Angler Survey (co-ordination).
 - Licence holder surveys.
 - User surveys to test licencing, categories, switching and other buyer behaviour.
 - Marketing analysis.
 - ~~○ Financial viability analysis.~~
 - Licence holder behaviour analysis.

Memorandum of Understanding

Use of Details in the Fish and Game Database

Additional Commentary

Paragraph 2 – clarifies that the principal purpose of collecting the data is to validate the licence sale as per the Fisheries Act 2983 and its Regulations, the Wildlife Act 1953 and its Regulations, and the Conservation Act 1987 which relates to regional Fish and Game Councils being empowered to issue and sell fishing and game hunting licences.

An operational protocol for use of data from the database was agreed in 2007 which clarified that the licence holder enters into an agreement with the (regional) Fish and Game Council that the information supplied in applying for a licence is correct and available to that council to enable it to carry out its functions.

The protocol also confirmed that all data and intellectual property in that data will be owned by the Fish and Game region nominated by the individual licence holder.

The Privacy Act 2020 also provides some guidance that given the principal purpose of the data collection (to validate a licence) that the regional Fish and Game Councils would be the lead agency in ensuring data is used only for appropriate purposes.

The MOU will act as information sharing agreement within the organisation, and to provide for use in secondary functions of communication, assessment and monitoring, research, promotion, and education.

Paragraph 4 and 5 - clarifies as per the Conservation Act 1987 the functions of regional Fish and Game Councils and NZ Fish and Game Council as they pertain to the potential use of personal data from the database.

Paragraph 6 – includes a clarification that the organisation should be using the data in a constructive and co-operative way. This MOU should help clarify expectations and codify use of data.

Paragraph 7 – clarifies that the data should be accessible across all regions for compliance purposes (paragraph 9), and that communication to, and assessment of, licence holders should be limited to those within their regional sub-set unless agree to otherwise (paragraph 10).

Paragraph 11 – clarifies that NZ Fish and Game Council is undertaking these functions as part of their co-ordination function and therefore the tasks should be endorsed by the Regional Councils.

Paragraph 14 – this provides for NZ Council to use the details in the database for advocacy purposes where there is no significant urgency, but it is not 'normal' and agreed to-day-to-day business. Regions would be consulted on the nature of the advocacy and requirements for data use. To avoid tensions that have existed in the past, it is suggested that a timely pragmatic outcome could be reached by having a small group of 2-3 regional managers critiquing what is going to be sent out to licence holders and the extent of consultation with regions, and for the NZ Council Chairman to make a final judgment call on the appropriateness of the communication/advocacy action. When

considering the consultation process undertaken, it needs to be confirmed whether it is predominantly an operational decision and/or requires governance oversight.

Paragraph 15 – to retain nimbleness of action/reaction this provides for an urgent response (less than 24 hours turnaround), where a pragmatic outcome is achieved by having 2-3 regional managers critiquing what is going to be sent out to licence holders and be the link to provide consultation on behalf of all regions in a timely manner and for the NZ Council Chairman to make a final judgment call on the appropriateness of the communication action.

Schedule 1 Regional Councils - Add for clarity that while NZ Fish and Game Council has a role in co-ordination of the triennial elections it is the role of the Regional Councils to maintain an up-to-date electoral roll for the Returning Officer.

Schedule 2 NZ Fish and Game Council

Advocacy – Use of personal data for advocacy function are provided for by paragraph 14 and 15 to retain flexibility, transparency, and responsiveness.

Co-ordination – remove *assessment for financial viability* as not sure why you'd need licence holder details for this task without first seeking agreement from Regional Councils.

Research –

- remove *assessment for financial viability* as per above comment in co-ordination
- All personal data required for research would be part of an agreed work programme. NZ Fish and Game Council is responsible for developing a research programme – not necessarily undertaking one per se. The projects would be considered part of the co-ordination function.

TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL

The Chairman
Taranaki Fish and Game Council

National Fish Licence Sales YTD to 19th November 2020

Please find attached the National Fish licence sales report YTD to 19th November 2020, with comparisons to the same time last year.

Jilli Steedman
SECRETARY
23 November 2020

RECOMMENDATION

That the National Licence Sales YTD to 19 November 2020 report, be received

National Fish Licence Sales YTD to 19 November 2020

Channel	FWF	FWA	FWNA	FSLA	FLAA	FWIA	FLBA	FSSA	FDA	FDNA	FWJ	FWNJ	FDJ	FDNJ	FWC	FWNC	FDNC	Total Fish	Fish LEQ	Fish Var	Fish \$	Inc/Dec
Northland	13	40	6	8	3	0	0	2	1	2	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	81				
Agency Online	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Retail Book	8	27	20	2	2	0	0	0	1	1	5	2	1	0	0	0	0	69				
Public Online	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Eyede Call Centre	21	67	26	10	5	0	0	2	2	3	11	2	1	0	0	0	0	150	137		\$15,893	
2019-2020 Total	14	49	0	5	1	0	0	0	11	0	8	0	1	0	0	0	0	89				
Agency Online	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Retail Book	17	53	2	1	1	0	0	1	14	1	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	97				
Public Online	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Eyede Call Centre	31	102	2	6	2	0	0	1	25	1	15	0	1	0	0	0	0	186	159	15.4%	\$18,342	\$2,450
2020-2021 Total	191	581	37	102	32	0	3	26	55	9	35	4	10	0	0	0	0	1,085				
Agency Online	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Retail Book	196	532	96	101	60	0	2	23	116	63	56	0	10	0	0	2	0	1,257				
Public Online	1	4	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12				
Eyede Call Centre	388	1117	133	210	92	0	5	49	171	72	91	4	20	0	0	2	0	2,354	2,088		\$241,539	
2019-2020 Total	175	502	19	102	19	0	3	30	54	0	41	0	5	0	0	0	0	950				
Agency Online	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Retail Book	303	724	30	135	52	0	0	33	132	8	65	0	16	0	0	2	0	1,500				
Public Online	6	3	0	4	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14				
Eyede Call Centre	484	1229	49	241	71	0	3	63	187	8	106	0	21	0	0	2	0	2,464	2,248	7.6%	\$259,949	\$18,410
2020-2021 Total	1,046	783	61	235	750	0	2	94	263	101	92	9	23	3	0	3	3	3,468				
Agency Online	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Retail Book	688	536	72	142	263	0	8	119	344	77	52	4	42	1	0	4	0	2,352				
Public Online	13	1	1	6	2	0	0	6	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	33				
Eyede Call Centre	1747	1320	134	383	1015	0	10	219	611	178	144	13	65	4	0	7	3	5,853	5,109		\$590,858	
2019-2020 Total	953	766	9	253	718	0	2	100	280	3	104	1	23	2	0	0	0	3,214				
Agency Online	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Retail Book	910	761	13	209	363	0	3	183	429	22	89	1	33	2	0	0	0	3,018				
Public Online	7	4	0	15	4	0	0	4	2	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	37				
Eyede Call Centre	1870	1531	22	477	1085	0	5	287	711	25	193	2	57	4	0	0	0	6,269	5,521	8.1%	\$638,523	\$47,666
2020-2021 Total	180	497	20	128	72	0	1	13	36	42	53	0	8	1	0	0	0	1,051				
Agency Online	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Retail Book	75	241	43	49	32	0	1	20	64	23	30	1	7	0	0	1	0	587				
Public Online	5	1	1	3	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	12				
Eyede Call Centre	260	739	64	180	104	0	2	33	101	65	84	1	15	1	0	1	0	1,650	1,436		\$166,044	
2019-2020 Total	173	521	11	142	73	0	1	16	34	1	60	0	6	0	0	0	0	1,038				
Agency Online	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Retail Book	140	367	3	70	49	0	2	18	81	5	47	2	8	0	0	0	0	792				
Public Online	2	0	0	5	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	8				
Eyede Call Centre	315	888	14	217	123	0	3	34	115	6	107	2	14	0	0	0	0	1,838	1,651	15.0%	\$190,886	\$24,842
2020-2021 Total	38	186	4	49	5	0	1	9	11	1	29	0	0	0	0	0	0	333				
Agency Online	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Retail Book	38	117	13	8	10	0	0	8	14	9	9	0	0	0	0	0	0	226				
Public Online	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Eyede Call Centre	76	303	17	57	15	0	1	17	25	10	38	0	0	0	0	0	0	559	500		\$57,783	
2019-2020 Total	40	201	2	43	14	0	0	5	8	0	30	0	1	0	0	0	0	344				
Agency Online	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Retail Book	57	172	3	22	19	0	0	3	22	1	22	0	4	0	0	0	0	325				
Public Online	1	2	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4				
Eyede Call Centre	98	375	5	66	33	0	0	8	30	1	52	0	5	0	0	0	0	673	608	21.8%	\$70,370	\$12,586
2020-2021 Total	147	658	14	120	55	0	1	8	21	10	84	1	35	0	0	2	0	1,156				
Agency Online	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Retail Book	128	443	28	92	34	0	2	8	45	12	60	0	5	0	0	0	0	857				
Public Online	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3				
Eyede Call Centre	276	1102	42	213	89	0	3	16	66	22	144	1	40	0	0	2	0	2,016	1,808		\$209,146	
2019-2020 Total	137	612	3	124	72	0	0	13	26	0	71	0	25	0	0	0	0	1,083				
Agency Online	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Retail Book	183	632	11	114	56	0	0	9	55	0	73	1	10	0	0	0	0	1,144				
Public Online	5	8	0	7	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	22				
Eyede Call Centre	325	1252	14	245	128	0	0	22	82	0	145	1	35	0	0	0	0	2,249	2,051	13.4%	\$237,201	\$28,054
2020-2021 Total	345	786	103	165	72	0	1	7	36	61	98	2	9	0	0	1	0	1,686				
Agency Online	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Retail Book	152	303	149	58	30	0	1	5	49	40	39	1	8	0	0	0	0	835				
Public Online	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2				
Eyede Call Centre	497	1090	253	223	102	0	2	12	85	101	137	3	17	0	0	1	0	2,523	2,329		\$269,341	
2019-2020 Total	364	732	12	182	48	0	2	21	42	1	75	0	7	0	0	0	0	1,486				
Agency Online	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
Retail Book	203	389	14	98	45	0	0	11	83	3	34	0	8	0	0	0	0	888				
Public Online	2	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4				
Eyede Call Centre	569																					

	Channel	FWF	FWA	FWNA	FSLA	FLAA	FWIA	FLBA	FSBA	FDA	FDNA	FWJ	FWNJ	FDJ	FDNJ	FWC	FWNC	FDNC	Total Fish	Fish LEQ	Fish Var	Fish \$	Inc/Dec	
North Canterbury	Agency Online	1,600	2,425	85	627	37	0	7	48	107	40	201	1	10	2	0	3	0	5,193					
	Retail Book	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
	Public Online	603	873	81	198	35	0	2	30	149	68	101	3	29	2	0	1	0	2,175					
	Eyede Call Centre	4	6	0	3	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15				
	Total	2207	3304	166	828	72	0	9	79	256	108	303	4	39	4	0	4	0	7,383	7,261		\$839,756		
2019-2020	Agency Online	1,435	2,278	20	678	47	0	0	53	115	2	172	2	12	0	0	2	0	4,816					
	Retail Book	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
	Public Online	745	1,150	23	274	47	0	1	33	205	12	108	1	37	0	0	2	0	2,638					
	Eyede Call Centre	4	10	0	2	0	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	18				
	Total	2184	3438	43	954	94	0	1	87	321	14	280	3	49	0	0	4	0	7,472	7,352	1.3%	\$850,320	\$10,563	
West Coast	Agency Online	83	146	6	38	42	0	1	1	19	52	16	0	3	0	0	2	3	412					
	Retail Book	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
	Public Online	126	153	99	30	23	0	0	9	40	20	6	1	7	1	0	0	0	515					
	Eyede Call Centre	5	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	7				
	Total	214	299	105	70	65	0	1	10	59	72	22	1	10	1	0	2	3	934	826		\$95,501		
2019-2020	Agency Online	113	187	0	37	42	0	0	7	23	0	20	0	8	0	0	0	0	437					
	Retail Book	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
	Public Online	179	237	4	49	41	0	0	17	56	1	20	0	4	0	0	0	0	608					
	Eyede Call Centre	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4				
	Total	294	424	4	87	83	0	0	24	80	1	40	0	12	0	0	0	0	1,049	981	18.7%	\$113,406	\$17,905	
Central South Is	Agency Online	1,484	1,439	45	540	379	0	6	63	266	89	220	1	37	2	0	2	2	4,575					
	Retail Book	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
	Public Online	635	676	243	143	130	0	8	67	279	138	106	7	26	4	0	1	0	2,463					
	Eyede Call Centre	1	3	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	10				
	Total	2120	2118	288	687	509	0	14	130	545	227	328	8	63	6	0	3	2	7,048	6,408		\$741,106		
2019-2020	Agency Online	1,491	1,457	6	591	364	0	4	64	394	4	224	0	35	0	0	0	0	4,634					
	Retail Book	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
	Public Online	808	858	11	199	137	0	2	89	383	19	115	0	53	1	0	0	0	2,675					
	Eyede Call Centre	4	5	0	4	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15				
	Total	2303	2320	17	794	502	0	6	153	778	23	339	0	88	1	0	0	0	7,324	6,666	4.0%	\$770,909	\$29,803	
Otago	Agency Online	1,845	2,576	76	611	118	0	5	32	142	277	221	1	11	11	0	4	12	5,942					
	Retail Book	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
	Public Online	830	1,000	228	195	113	0	6	47	243	344	138	6	16	6	0	2	6	3,180					
	Eyede Call Centre	2	6	0	8	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	20				
	Total	2677	3582	304	814	233	0	11	79	385	621	361	7	27	17	0	6	18	9,142	8,525		\$985,901		
2019-2020	Agency Online	1,861	2,512	11	651	114	0	1	51	185	5	213	0	18	0	0	0	0	5,622					
	Retail Book	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
	Public Online	1,170	1,483	31	251	159	0	1	67	377	31	182	0	47	0	0	0	0	3,799					
	Eyede Call Centre	6	6	0	8	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	21				
	Total	3037	4001	42	910	273	0	2	118	563	36	395	0	65	0	0	0	0	9,442	9,206	8.0%	\$1,064,711	\$78,810	
Southland	Agency Online	1,353	1,634	30	400	89	0	0	23	90	72	323	1	9	4	0	1	3	4,032					
	Retail Book	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
	Public Online	309	385	366	53	52	0	1	26	89	112	67	6	6	1	0	1	0	1,474					
	Eyede Call Centre	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	4				
	Total	1662	2023	396	453	141	0	1	49	179	184	390	7	15	5	0	2	3	5,510	5,242		\$606,291		
2019-2020	Agency Online	1,357	1,711	10	428	118	0	0	47	111	4	284	1	16	0	0	0	0	4,087					
	Retail Book	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0				
	Public Online	520	563	19	78	63	0	1	40	181	7	119	1	17	0	0	0	0	1,609					
	Eyede Call Centre	3	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3					
	Total	1880	2274	29	506	181	0	1	87	292	11	403	2	33	0	0	0	0	5,699	5,486	4.7%	\$634,525	\$28,234	
TOTAL	Direct	3,820	5,313	1,441	1,105	788	-	31	369	1,438	907	675	31	157	15	-	12	6	16,108	\$13,992		\$1,618,201		
	Retail	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	\$0		\$0		
	AOL	8,325	11,751	487	3,023	1,654	-	28	326	1,047	756	1,378	20	155	23	-	18	23	29,014	\$27,677		\$3,200,958		
	Total	12,145	17,064	1,928	4,128	2,442	-	59	695	2,485	1,663	2,053	51	312	38	-	30	29	45,122	41,669		\$4,819,159		
	2019-2020	Direct	5,277	7,428	164	1,548	1,038	-	10	509	2,026	110	882	6	238	3	-	4	-	19,243	\$17,319		\$2,002,983	
2020-2021	Retail	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	\$0		\$0		
	AOL	8,113	11,528	103	3,236	1,630	-	13	407	1,283	20	1,302	4	157	2	-	2	-	27,800	\$26,867		\$3,107,236		
	Total	13,390	18,956	267	4,784	2,668	-	23	916	3,309	130	2,184	10	395	5	-	6	-	47,043	44,186		\$5,110,219		
	Total																			2,517	6.0%	\$291,060	\$291,060	
	Total																						\$6,774,768	

National Variance against 2019/20 YTD

Taranaki Fish & Game Council
Budget Report to 31 October 2020

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Project Progress to 13 November 2020

OUTPUT	Budget external costs	YTD external costs (31/10/20)	Comments on significant variations	Budget Hours	YTD hours
Population Monitoring	2,500			170	16
Harvest Assessment	1,000			50	6.75
Hatchery	8,000	2,091		85	12.5
Liberations	18,700	579		110	55.25
Season Regulations				30	2.75
Gamebird Dispersal	1,800	30		120	15
RMA				500	65.75
Habitat Management & Enhancement	11,000	250	Donation to Lake Rotokare Scientific Trust	400	8
Hunter / Angler Access	1,400	108		100	7.5
Satisfaction Survey				10	
Magazine / Newsletter / Ezine	7,600			340	13.5
Other Publications	750				1.5
Clubs	300	300		10	5.25
Statutory Liaison				30	5
Iwi Liaison	100			40	20.25
General Advocacy				250	35.5
Hunting & Angling Promotions	2,800	710		100	71.25
Ranger Management	1,000			112	26
Compliance	1,784			170	130
Licensing & Commission	7,971	2,223		40	5
Council Meetings & Administration	9,500	982		280	48.25
Management, Strategic & Policy	1,000			40	5
Business Planning				40	0.5
OSH & Other Reporting	6,200	63		55	5.75
National Liaison	100			160	27.25
Total Expenditure	83,905	7,336		3,382	481.5

Project Income	Budget Income	YTD Income
Harvest Assessment – Summer Season	500	
Liberations	13,700	
Gamebird Dispersal	600	
Compliance		
Total Income	14,800	
Net Expenditure	69,105	7,336

Overheads	Budget	YTD
1910 Salaries & Management Contract	237,569	39,912
1920 Staff Expenses	2,170	410
1940 Office Premises	95,319	6,224
1950 Office Equipment	1,500	1,383
1960 Communications / Consumables	8,200	1,600
1970 General	2,560	1,867
1980 General Equipment	300	36
1990 Vehicles	10,200	7,177
Total Overheads	314,218	58,609

Will be increased set up costs for new office balanced by reduced rent for previous building

Other Income & Expenses	Budget	YTD
Interest	10,541	
Wellington Fish & Game Admin	7,000	765
Donations & Other Income		50
Total Other Income & Expenses	17,541	815

Nett Project, Overhead and Other Expenditure/Income	Budget	YTD
	365,782	65,130 (17.8%)

SPECIES MANAGEMENT

2020/2021 Annual Plan – Planned Result	Progress to date
<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Obtain and report baseline information for the Retaruke (yr2 of 2) and Stony Rivers to identify threats to and opportunities for the maintenance and enhancement of these fisheries. 2. Assess juvenile recruitment along the Timaru Stream to assist discussion over possible weir removal. 3. Monitor and report information on the status of the region's trout fisheries sufficient to measure overall angler success (through a diary scheme), set effective regulations and inform management directions. 4. Implement an effective duck banding programme in the Whanganui area as the first step to obtain an estimate of the population size and level of hunting harvest which will guide future monitoring requirements and regulation setting (yr 2). 5. Monitor and report information on the status of the region's mallard and grey duck, paradise shelduck, shoveler, swan and pukeko populations sufficient to assess harvest, identify and manage any population impacts, set effective regulations and inform management directions. 6. Undertake a review of current paradise duck moult count monitoring and how the data is reported and implement recommendations. 7. Participate in National Hunter Survey to derive an estimate of annual game bird harvest and hunter success. 8. Recommend effective regulations that are timely, easily understood and which maximise licence holder opportunity while ensuring resource sustainability and public support 9. Provide advice and support practical and effective predator control opportunities that assist game bird populations. 10. Undertake annual trout stocking programme which concentrates on creating and maintaining valued lake fisheries. 	<p><i>A fishery monitoring report detailing angler diary results was prepared for Council's 3rd October 2020 meeting. An angler diary scheme spreadsheet was emailed to 44 anglers to record their effort during the 2020/21 fishing season.</i></p> <p><i>Prepared report on current status of gamebird populations as part of draft game gazette recommendations</i></p> <p><i>Analysed 2020 data as part of preparing draft game gazette recommendations</i></p> <p><i>A 2021/21 draft Game Gazette Notice report was prepared for Council's 5 December 2020 meeting.</i></p> <p><i>A 2019/20 hatchery and trout liberations report was prepared for Council's 3rd October 2020 meeting. Releases of 2019 year-class rainbow trout from the Hawera hatchery were made to Lake Namunamu (260 fish) on 10/09/2020; Lakes Rotomanu (100), Mangamahoe (100) & Ratapiko (50) on 17/09/2020; Lake Ngangana (200) on 7/10/2020 and Lake Mangamahoe (61) on 28/10/2020.</i></p>

<p>11. Undertake trial release of 2-year old trout into the lower Patea River to assess the potential for a long-term programme.</p> <p>12. Undertake trout releases and monitoring of lower Patea River under contract to TrustPower Ltd.</p> <p>13. Implement hatchery review decision such that the operation of the Hawera hatchery is effective, cost efficient and sustainable to meet the identified stocking objectives.</p> <p>14. Review and renew ranger warrants and maintain a skilled honorary ranger team of at least 12 rangers consistent with requirements and objectives of the Compliance Policy and Strategy and also R3 principles.</p> <p>15. Review Compliance Strategy and implement any recommendations.</p> <p>16. Undertake safe and effective compliance coverage across the Taranaki Region, including at least 100 licence checks of anglers and also of hunters.</p> <p>17. Process detected offences in a fair and timely way consistent with national prosecution guidelines.</p> <p>18. Manage problem aggregations of gamebirds through implementation of a special Paradise Shelduck season in Area C and proactively responding to and assisting landholders.</p>	<p><i>420 2-year rainbows from the Eastern Region's Ngongotaha hatchery were released into Lake Rotomanu on 22/10/2020 for a kids' fishing promotion.</i></p> <p><i>A Trustpower-funded release of 1,000 tagged brown trout & 500 tagged rainbow trout from Ngongotaha was made into the lower Patea River on 29/10/2020.</i></p> <p><i>A Ranger training day was held in Whanganui on 19/09/2020, attended by 5 Rangers & 2 staff. A 2019/20 Compliance annual report was prepared for Council's 3rd October 2020 meeting.</i></p> <p><i>Compliance checks were carried out for the beginning of the 2020/21 fishing season and over Labour Weekend.</i></p> <p><i>A landowner received a \$1,030 penalty (04/09/2020) for shooting paradise ducks during a close season.</i></p> <p><i>Ten permits to disturb gamebirds causing damage were issued under delegated authority during the reporting period: 9 for pukeko (6 rural, 3 urban) and one for paradise shelduck.</i></p>
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HABITAT PROTECTION & MANAGEMENT

2020/2021 Annual Plan – Planned Result	Progress to date
<p>1. Provide valued advice and support to licence holders, landowners and the wider community regarding the importance of and how to protect and enhance habitat and also undertake predator control to benefit both fish and game and wider indigenous biodiversity resources.</p>	<p><i>Organised traps and provided advice for Waimarino wetland</i></p>
<p>2. Promote, encourage and support landowners to create, enhance and protect wetlands by providing sound technical advice and assistance to make successful applications to the GBHT and Hunting & Habitat Funds.</p>	<p><i>Organised 280 plants and laid these out for Waimarino wetland</i></p>

3. Proactively take opportunities to make effective representation in statutory and other community processes to best achieve sports fish and game bird habitat protection and enhancement.

Pre-application discussions were held with:

- Trustpower Mangorei HEPS consenting. Comments on draft AEE provided on 9/09/2020;
- SDC Te Popo water supply. Meeting attended 24/09/2020;
- Horizon Trust (WSP) Whenuku Road quarry expansion. Comments on application provided 6/11/2020;
- Nova Energy (BTW) McKee Peaker Power Plant water treatment discharge to Waitara River. Comments provided 10/11/2020;
- NPDC Lake Mangamahoe water take AEE (received 11/11/2020).
- Whanganui District Council to undertake slip repairs on River Road

A submission was made to the following notified applications:

- Taranaki By-Products - 6 applications to operate a rendering plant in the Inaha Stream catchment.

Further discussions were held with STDC regarding their limited-notified application to consent the Eltham water supply take from Waingongoro River. An update meeting was attended (16/10/2020) regarding monitoring results for the newly consented Stratford oxy pond discharge. Comments were provided to Trustpower on the 2019/20 Patea HEPS Fish Trap & Transfer report (11/11/2020).

Maintained watching brief of pre hearing process into DoC application to discharge to land adjacent to Lake Wiritoa

4. Promote and explore opportunities to improve water quality in Lake Rotomanu (yr 2 of 3).

5. Engage proactively and collaboratively with iwi & community groups to identify and protect / enhance shared resource values including contributing to water related matters through the Taranaki Maunga Settlement process.

There was liaison with Te Kotahitanga o Te Atiawa Trust regarding a Nova Energy discharge consenting and Mangaone Stream enhancement (10/11/2020). The Council received notice (13/10/2020) of a temporary pause in the Taranaki Maunga negotiations until early 2021.

6. Represent Fish & Game and provide valued input to the Te Awa Tupua process.

Met with project manager and attended Te Kopuka hui

<p>7. Undertake governance role for Whangaehu Freshwater improvement Fund.</p> <p>8. Work closely with Nga Ruahine and other parties to remove Glenn Road weir.</p> <p>9. Explore options to remove Timaru Stream weir.</p> <p>10. Provide technical and administrative support and assistance to joint Orautoha Stream Riparian Project to protect water quality in this catchment and the many values it supports.</p> <p>11. Engage in and actively advocate for provisions which protect and / or enhance sports fish & game bird habitat in the Taranaki Freshwater Plan Review process.</p>	<p><i>Attended one governance meeting</i></p>
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PARTICIPATION

2020/2021 Annual Plan – Planned Result	Progress to date
<p>1. Maintain and improve the Taranaki pages on the Fish & Game website so how to and where to go information is readily available, easily understood and up to date.</p> <p>2. Work with National Office to upgrade website and prepare information re an 'Introduction to duck hunting in the Taranaki Region' (year 2 of 2). Review angling information for Taranaki Ringplain.</p> <p>3. Develop and refine facebook and Instagram pages in line with any National Policy to regularly inform licence holders using these forums.</p> <p>4. Develop and utilise licence holder email list to keep hunters and anglers up to date.</p> <p>5. Complete Reel Life and Both Barrels supplements consistent with national R3 recommendations.</p> <p>6. Provide a quality 2-page regional supplement in each edition of Fish & Game Magazine.</p> <p>7. Publication of valued hunting and fishing newsletters sent to regional licence holders and hunting landowners. Hunting newsletter also distributed to all rural box holders in the region.</p> <p>8. Proactively provide timely and useful information to licence holders when requested.</p>	<p><i>Updated information regarding Whanganui office</i></p> <p><i>Articles for Reel Life Ezine were prepared on 17/09/2020 & 19/10/2020.</i></p> <p><i>Draft regional fishing newsletter prepared.</i></p> <p><i>Information was provided to anglers as requested. Angling access information was provided to the National Office for the "Park & Cast" promotion.</i></p>

<p>9. Replace / erect 2-3 new signs which provide anglers with helpful on-site information re access and regulations consistent with identified priorities.</p> <p>10. Produce information signs on the Retaruke and Whanganui Rivers to inform walkers on the Te Araroa trail.</p> <p>11. Begin process to install a 3rd angling platform on Lake Mangamahoe (yr 1 of 2).</p> <p>12. Undertake a review of fishing opportunities provided at Lake Mangamahoe.</p> <p>13. Provide organised fishing opportunities consistent with R3 objectives and branding and in association with volunteer groups for kids and families.</p> <p>14. Explore options for ongoing opportunities for kids and families based on trout releases into local waters and threshold experiences (yr 2 of 3)</p> <p>15. Review, negotiate, publicise and issue access permits to publicly available hunting areas and actively seek and develop new opportunities.</p> <p>16. Identify and explore mentoring schemes to support new hunters and implement most promising option (yr 2 of 2).</p> <p>17. Proactively take opportunities to make effective representation in statutory and other community processes to maintain or enhance hunting or angling access and opportunity.</p> <p>18. Complete review of Waingongoro River access information and implement identified opportunities to assist angler access.</p> <p>19. Assess satisfaction and success of Taranaki Region anglers using catch rates from a voluntary diary scheme and online satisfaction survey.</p> <p>20. Implement initial actions to influence hunter behaviour as identified in hunter behaviour strategy to maximise enjoyment and participation and also public support for gamebird hunting.</p>	<p><i>A successful Lake Rotomanu family trout fishing trial promotion was held in conjunction with the Inglewood Rod, Gun & Recreation Club and Taranaki Hunting & Fishing on 31/10/2020, with 97 children registering. A grant application for the Stratford kids' trout fishing event was submitted to the Taranaki Electricity Trust on 5/11/2020 in conjunction with the Stratford Fishing Section.</i></p> <p><i>Met with representative of Erua Forest owners re provision of angling access to Waimarino Stream</i></p> <p><i>An angler diary scheme spreadsheet was emailed to 44 anglers to record their effort during the 2020/21 fishing season.</i></p>
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<p>21. Locate and publicise quality gamebird recipes especially for pukeko and paradise shelduck that enable hunters to make good use of these species (year 2 of 2).</p> <p>22. Provision of ready and valued support and assistance to licence agents such that they are kept up to date, resourced and operate as effective agents.</p>	
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IWI & PUBLIC INTERFACTION

<p>1. Proactively engage, work and collectively share with iwi and hapu within the region on matters affecting wetland and freshwater resources or their use.</p> <p>2. Liaise with Department of Conservation and Conservation Boards and proactively engage and work with Regional and District councils and community groups.</p> <p>3. Recognise and pursue opportunities to contribute to the wider community including 'Wild for Taranaki' and 'Rotokare Scenic Reserve Trust'.</p> <p>4. Take opportunities to promote the value of protecting freshwater, wetland and upland game habitats and the wider benefits from this.</p> <p>5. Represent the interests of hunters and anglers and promote the validity of fishing and gamebird hunting including as a means of collecting natural organic foods and engaging in a physical healthy lifestyle.</p> <p>6. Maintain a positive and constructive profile in the media which encourages prospective participants and fosters support and understanding among the general public.</p> <p>7. Review media strategy and including incorporating any National Policy.</p>	<p><i>Attended initial Horizon's RC 'Jobs for Nature' governance group meeting. Provided comment on Makotuku River Freshwater Fish signage</i></p> <p><i>The Council's vote was lodged (9/10/2020) for 2 positions on the WfT Board. The WfT AGM was attended (22/10/2020), along with the TRC's annual Environmental Awards presentation (29/10/2020).</i></p> <p><i>The was liaison with the TRC's summer CCD advocate regarding their presence at the Stratford kid's trout fishing day (10/11/2020).</i></p> <p><i>An introduction to fly fishing evening hosted by Kyle Adams of the Manic Tackle Project was attended (2/09/2020) along with about 30 anglers. The IRG&RC AGM was attended (15/09/2020), along with their opening weekend fish season weigh-in (4/10/2020).</i></p> <p><i>Fish season publicity was provided to 6 newspapers, the F&G website and for a national office press release (25/09/2020). An article was provided to 2 newspapers on the results of the IRG&RC's opening weekend fish season weigh-in. An article on the Mangamahoe casting platform & Hawera trout hatchery (7/10/2020) received good coverage in the Daily News and on-line. Publicity for the Rotomanu family trout fishing day received good coverage in print & on-line. Publicity for this event was also posted on "Neighbourly" (19/10/2020) and provided to 2 local radio stations for their community notices.</i></p>
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<p>12. Contribute to National Office by providing valued advice, assistance and feedback on national issues and processes as requested.</p> <p>13. All processes and activities are undertaken consistent with Council Health & Safety Policy and Manual.</p> <p>14. Staff are actively involved in implementing HSAW policy and ensuring a safe work place, including by undertaking two monthly staff meetings where HSAW is a specific agenda item.</p> <p>15. Compliance with HSAW requirements and policy including scheduled reviews and audits along with any issues identified or near misses routinely reported to each meeting of Council.</p>	<p><i>impact of NES-FW on maimai construction and wetland maintenance.</i></p> <p><i>Manager participated in Strategic Finance committee on reserves policy principles and zoom meeting for Stakeholder Reference Group re Resource Allocation Project.</i></p> <p><i>Provided comment on changing regulations in response to capture of the public resource</i></p>
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Recommendation

That the Budget Report to 31 October 2020 and Project Progress Report to 13 November 2020 be received.

TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL

The Chairman
Taranaki Fish and Game Council

Financial Reports to 31st October 2020

Please find attached the following reports;

1. Profit & Loss 1 September to 31 October 2020
2. Balance Sheet to 31 October 2020
3. BNZ Statement of Accounts 30 October 2020

RECOMMENDATION

That Profit & Loss and Balance Sheet to 31 October 2020, be received.

Jilli Steedman
SECRETARY
23 November 2020

Profit and Loss

Taranaki Fish and Game Council For the 2 months ended 31 October 2020

SEP-OCT 2020

Trading Income

Contracts	765.00
Fish Licence Sales 2020-2021 AOL	30,896.52
Fish Licence Sales 2020-2021 POL	31,252.18
Grants Received	42,965.14
Total Trading Income	105,878.84

Gross Profit

105,878.84

Other Income

Donations	50.00
Total Other Income	50.00

Operating Expenses

ACC Levy	382.45
Angler Access	107.61
Bank Charges	207.96
Cleaning Administration Building	363.30
Clubs	300.00
Commission on Sales	1,545.69
Council Catering	378.26
Council Travel	568.80
Council Venue hire	34.78
Equipment Maintenance	1,122.09
Eyede Charges - Inc GST	79.24
Eyede Charges No GST	597.58
Field Equip -Purchases (Under \$2,000)	35.65
Gamebird Dispersal	29.55
Gamebird Habitat Management & Enhancement	250.00
Hatchery	2,067.89
Hatchery Power	107.13
Hunting & Angling Promotions	710.00
Insurance - General	1,483.32
Kids Fishing Days	578.72
Maintenance Administration Building	225.00
Management Contract	16,833.34
Office General (was Petty cash)	61.34
Office Premises Rent	5,294.78
Other Reporting / OSH	62.90
Polaris side x side	174.17
Power Administration Building	306.76
Purchases (Under 2,000)	260.86
Salaries	19,656.90

SEP-OCT 2020

Security	34.00
Staff Expenses	27.83
Stationery	538.67
Subscriptions	114.00
Telephone/fax	1,061.62
Trailer - Hatchery	293.19
Trailer - Side X Side	175.81
Vehicle Fuel & RUC	2,465.41
Vehicle Insurance	1,730.34
Vehicle Maintenance	1,585.66
Total Operating Expenses	61,852.60
Net Profit	44,076.24

Balance Sheet

Taranaki Fish and Game Council As at 31 October 2020

31 OCT 2020

Assets

Bank

BNZ Current Account	47,779.13
BNZ Term 3031	396,403.86
MRP	4,896.98
Total Bank	449,079.97

Current Assets

Accounts Receivable	101,267.60
Prepayments and Accrued Income	76.02
Total Current Assets	101,343.62

Fixed Assets

Accum Dep Vehicles	(29,235.19)
Accum Dep Buildings	(16,451.00)
Accum Dep Office Equipment	(19,749.97)
Accum Dep Plant & Equipment	(15,204.58)
Buildings	16,451.00
Office Equipment	24,675.83
Plant & Equipment	25,014.26
Vehicles	106,281.59
Total Fixed Assets	91,781.94

Total Assets 642,205.53

Liabilities

Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable	18,922.82
Accruals and Prepaid Licences	5,720.00
BNZ Credit Card - Allen	1,135.27
BNZ Credit Card - Glenn M	46.28
Employee Entitlements	21,471.65
GST	10,009.61
Income in advance	7,356.00
PAYE Clearing	(5,132.64)
Rounding	0.01
Total Current Liabilities	59,529.00

Total Liabilities 59,529.00

Net Assets 582,676.53

Equity

Accumulated Funds	130,622.19
Asset Replacement Funding	4,540.00

31 OCT 2020



Back Country Fisheries Reserve	7,315.67
Current Year Earnings	44,076.24
Fisheries Project	16,236.30
Hunting & Habitat Scheme	347,170.74
Manganuioteao River Riparian Project	4,893.29
Net Surplus/(Deficit)	27,822.10
Total Equity	582,676.53

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Statement of Accounts as at 30 October 2020

Your Accounts at a Glance

Account	Account Number	Maturity Date	Balance
 Non Profit Org A/C	02-0792-0332133-000		47,779.13
 MRP	02-0792-0332133-001		4,896.98

Your Other Accounts at a Glance

Account	Account Number	Maturity Date	Balance
 Term Deposit	36332133-03031	23 Feb 2021	396,403.86

Our investment statements and current disclosure statement may be obtained free of charge from any Bank of New Zealand store, or viewed at www.bnz.co.nz.

TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL

The Chairman
Taranaki Fish and Game Council

Correspondence Schedules

Please find attached Inwards and Outwards correspondence schedules to 23rd November 2020.

RECOMMENDATION

That Inwards and Outwards correspondence schedules to, 23rd November 2020, be received.

Jilli Steedman
SECRETARY
23 November 2020

Inwards Correspondence

Date	Meeting	From	Staff Councillor	Subject
28.9.20	Dec-20	Nathan Lightbourne DOC	Allen	Waitaanga predator control operation
1.10.20	Dec-20	Warren Dalgleish NPDC	Allen	Venue hire agreement – Lake Rotomanu kids fishing day
9.10.20	Dec-20	Chris Fern – Trustpower	Allen	Patea HEPS – trap and transfer report
12.10.20	Dec-20	Chris Fern – Trustpower	Allen	Patea HEPS – amendments to the upstream trap and transfer protocol
13.10.20	Dec-20	Bart Jansma – Ngaruahine	Allen	Piharau / Lamprey deaths at Glen Road weir
13.10.20	Dec-20	South Taranaki District Council	Allen	Resource consent applications
13.10.20	Dec-20	Ian Hicks – Te Arawhiti	Allen	Taranaki Maunga – update on negotiations
13.10.20	Dec-20	New Plymouth District Council	Allen	Proposed district plan – Errata to the summary of submissions reports
14.10.20	Dec-20	Taranaki Regional Council	Allen	Submission acknowledge receipt – Taranaki By-Products Ltd
16.10.20	Dec-20	Jessica Sorensen – STDC	Allen	Resource consent applications
16.10.20	Dec-20	Stratford District Council	Allen	Minutes of the Annual Stakeholder Meeting – Wastewater Discharge consent
19.10.20	Dec-20	Haidie Burchell-Burger TRC	Allen	Technical Reports
19.10.20	Dec-20	Haidie Burchell-Burger TRC	Allen	Tawhiti Catchment Monitoring Programme - Annual Report 2019-20
27.10.20	Dec-20	Vikki Kuyl STDC	Allen	Waverley Wastewater Options Assessment – Update and invitation
30.10.20	Dec-20	Victoria Araba SDC	Allen	Draft application – Midhurst Water Take Consent Renewal
3.11.20	Dec-20	Ruth Goldsmith	Allen	Waiwhakaio and Manganui River catchments electric fish and netting
6.11.20	Dec-20	Darin Sutherland TRC	Allen	Follow-up on DOC National Freshwater Programme
11.11.20	Dec-20	Shaun Hodson NPDC	Allen	Lake Mangamahoe AEE – Consent final 9.11.20

Outwards Correspondence

Date	Meeting	To	Staff Councillor	Subject
29.9.20	Dec-20	Guy Vickers	Allen	2020-21 Angler Diary
30.9.20	Dec-20	Rose Hogwood NPDC	Allen	Lake Rotomanu kids fishing day venue hire
5.10.20	Dec-20	Matthew Rilkoﬀ – Stuff	Allen	Inglewood Rod, Gun & Recreation Club – trout season weigh-in
9.10.20	Dec-20	Andy Cronin – Wild for Taranaki	Allen	WFT board nominations
14.10.20	Dec-20	Darlene Ladbrook – TRC	Allen	Taranaki By-Products – Fish & Game submission
19.10.20	Dec-20	Richard Cosgrove	Allen	Taranaki Reel Life
3.11.20	Dec-20	Dr. Ruth Goldsmith – Ryder Environmental Ltd	Allen	Freshwater Fish Survey – Trustpower Motukawa Hydro Scheme
5.11.20	Dec-20	Taranaki electricity Trust	Allen	Grant application – Stratford Fishing Section
6.11.20	Dec-20	Paula Harborne WSP	Allen	Whenuku Road Quarry expansion
9.11.20	Dec-20	Various	Allen	DOR and applicants supplementary AEE – Eitham water supply consent 0213
10.11.20	Dec-20	Cam Twigley – btw	Allen	Nova energy – consent renewal
11.11.20	Dec-20	Chris Fern – Trustpower	Allen	Patea HEPS – trap and transfer report 2019/20
19.11.20	Dec-20	Chris Fern – Trustpower	Allen	F&G Report on Lower Patea Trout Release

