



# **TARANAKI FISH & GAME COUNCIL**

## **AGENDA PAPERS**

### **COUNCIL MEETING**

**SATURDAY  
24 MARCH 2018**

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

**Taranaki Region**

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## AGENDA

SATURDAY 24<sup>th</sup> MARCH 2018

TO BE HELD AT  
OFFICES OF TARANAKI FISH & GAME COUNCIL  
124 RIDGWAY STREET, WHANGANUI

COMMENCING AT 10:00AM

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20. NEXT MEETING 9 JUNE 2018, WAITARA
21. CLOSURE

## **TARANAKI FISH & GAME COUNCIL**

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TARANAKI FISH & GAME COUNCIL, HELD AT THE RUAPEHU FISH AND GAME CLUBROOMS, SEDDON STREET, RAETIHI ON 10 FEBRUARY 2018, COMMENCING AT 10:00AM.

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In the absence of the Chairman, Paul Blewman, Councillor Chris Donald assumed the chair and called the meeting to order at 10:00 am.

He welcomed councillors, Fish and Game staff and visitor to the meeting

### **1. PRESENT**

Councillors Alan Flynn, Gerard Karalus, Romon Sargeson, Steve Hugo, David Potroz, Chris Donald, Chris Bright, John Nancarrow and Craig McEwen.

### **IN ATTENDANCE**

Manager Glenn Maclean, Senior Field Officer Allen Stancliff, Secretary Jilli Steedman and Graeme Mackenzie, Blu Cumberworth and Laurie Riesterer

### **2. APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from Paul Blewman and Cory Potroz.

MOVED D POTROZ / BRIGHT

THAT THE APOLOGIES RECEIVED BE SUSTAINED

CARRIED

### **3. CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

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

### **4. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING 2<sup>nd</sup> DECEMBER 2017**

Councillor Karalus wanted the minutes to clarify that he had not actually visited Lake Namunamu but had spoken to the owners.

MOVED D POTROZ / NANCARROW

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 2<sup>ND</sup> DECEMBER 2017 IN WHANGANUI, BE CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD.

CARRIED.

### **5. MATTERS ARISING**

Members of the Inglewood Rod, Gun and Recreation Club noted that the Council's next meeting on 24<sup>th</sup> March conflicts with a club event which they all will be attending, meaning that providing there are no other apologies we will have a bare quorum for the meeting.

**6. AGENDA MANAGEMENT**

Completed items will be removed from the Action List.

**7. 5 YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN REVIEW**

The Manager explained the updates in the proposed 17/18 – 21/22 Strategic Plan.

Councillors were happy with the changes and there was discussion on;

- The increase in use of electronic media for information as opposed to printed brochures.
- The development of a stocking strategy for the Hawera Hatchery.
- The cost savings made by producing larger fish at the Hatchery for kid's fish out days.

MOVED NANCARROW / SARGESON

THAT TARANAKI FISH & GAME COUNCIL ADOPT THIS 5 YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN FOR 2017/18 TO 2012/22

CARRIED

**8. HEALTH AND SAFETY**

MOVED SARGESON / KARALUS

THAT THE MANAGERS HEALTH AND SAFETY REPORT, BE RECEIVED

CARRIED

**9. DRAFT 2018 GAME GAZETTE**

Councillors discussed and agreed with the recommendations that proposed bag limits for paradise shelduck in area's A & B remain the same as the previous year. However due to the lower number of Paradise Shelduck counted within area C that the opening weekend bag limit should be returned to 10, consistent with the rest of the region and remainder of the season in Area C.

Councillors discussed the proposed 2019 Summer Season for Paradise Shelduck and agreed to retain two weekends, noting most hunters only hunt one or other weekend. Several councillors also raised lowering the daily bag limit to 5. However the manager noted that having a lower bag limit may also increase the risk of hunters exceeding this limit, which would limit its effectiveness anyway. Councillor Nancarrow also asked that the Manager investigate the legalities of our permit system for the Summer Season and with reference as to whether there was any flexibility to make the final decision on the conditions closer to the time.

Councillors agreed that the reference to "All other Gamebird Species" should be removed as there could be some confusion that it includes hen pheasants.

MOVED D POTROZ / BRIGHT

THAT THE RECOMMENDED CONDITIONS FOR THE 2018/2019 GAME SEASON AS LISTED, WITH THE INCLUSION OF THE SECOND WEEKEND FOR THE SUMMER SEASON, BE CONFIRMED

CARRIED  
6 FOR  
2 AGAINST

**10. RELEASE OF CAPTIVE REARED MALLARDS**

The manager spoke to this agenda item. Councillors unanimously agreed that they have been supplied with a sufficient amount of information on this subject.

MOVED SARGESON / NANCARROW

THAT WITH RESPECT TO THE 5 QUESTIONS FROM NATIONAL COUNCIL LISTED IN THE AGENDA, THAT TARANAKI FISH & GAME COUNCIL;

1. Is NOT supportive of releasing CRMs to augment wild populations
2. Does NOT support the use of CRMs to hasten the recovery of wild populations
3. Does SUPPORT the concept of 'put and take' operations to provide hunting opportunity
4. Does NOT accept the development of commercial CRM hunting operations
5. Does NOT agree with trying to define hunting practices other than a requirement that all CRM's should be released several months prior to the gamebird season
6. In addition Council supports clarification of the legislation regarding commercial pheasant preserves
7. The Council STRONGLY SUPPORTS Fish & Game seeking an effective mechanism to undertake the administration of permits to release and disturb gamebirds under the Wildlife Act

CARRIED

**11. NATIONAL SALMON COMMITTEE**

MOVED D POTROZ / BRIGHT

THAT TARANAKI FISH & GAME COUNCIL;

1. SUPPORTS THE ESTABLISHMENT OF A NATIONAL SALMON SYMPOSIUM COMMITTEE WITH THE DETAIL OF HOW TO BEST OPERATE TO BE RESOLVED BY DISCUSSION BETWEEN THOSE AFFECTED COUNCILS AND NATIONAL COUNCIL.
2. ASKS THAT THIS DISCUSSION IS BROADENED TO ADDRESS THE FUNCTION AND EFFECTIVENESS OF OTHER NATIONAL COMMITTEES ALSO.

CARRIED

**12. LICENCE SALES REPORT**

Councillor Bright noted a potential new licence agent in Raetihi. The secretary will follow this up.

Councillor Flynn noted a national review of licence categories and prices is due.

MOVED KARALUS / FLYNN

THAT THE FISH LICENCE SALES TO 31 JANUARY 2018, WITH COMPARISON TO THE PREVIOUS YEAR, BE RECEIVED

CARRIED

**13. CHAIRMANS REPORT**

The Chairman welcomed councillors back after the xmas break

MOVED DONALD / SARGESON

THAT THE CHAIRMANS VERBAL REPORT BE RECEIVED

CARRIED

**14. NATIONAL COUNCILLORS REPORT**

National Council appointee Alan Flynn advised Councillors the National Council was yet to have a meeting this year.

MOVED FLYNN / MCEWEN

THAT NATIONAL COUNCIL APPOINTEE, ALAN FLYNN'S VERBAL REPORT BE RECEIVED

CARRIED

**15. WORK PLAN TO 31 JANUARY 2018 & BUDGET PROGRESS REPORT TO 31 DECEMBER 2017**

MOVED D POTROZ / BRIGHT

THAT THE BUDGET REPORT TO 31 DECEMBER 2017 AND PROJECT PROGRESS REPORT TO 31 JANUARY 2018, BE RECEIVED

CARRIED

**16. FINANCIAL REPORT**

MOVED D POTROZ / HUGO

THAT THE PROFIT AND LOSS AND BALANCE SHEET TO 31 DECEMBER 2017, BE RECEIVED

CARRIED.

**17. CORRESPONDENCE**

MOVED D POTROZ / MCEWEN

THAT INWARDS AND OUTWARDS CORRESPONDENCE SCHEDULES TO 31 JANUARY 2018, AS SHOWN ON PAGES 124 & 125 OF THE AGENDA, BE RECEIVED.

CARRIED

Break for lunch 12:30

Reconvened 1:30

**18. GENERAL BUSINESS**

Councillors Donald, McEwen, D Potroz, Nancarrow and C Potroz tendered their apologies for the next meeting on 24<sup>th</sup> March. They are all attending an event organised by the Inglewood Rod, Gun & Recreation Club.

Councillor Karalus noted that the fish pass on the railway bridge bed control structure in Kapuni Stream is working well and that the proposed flood protection works by STOS on the Kapuni had not yet gone ahead.

Councillor McEwen gave councillors an update on the casting platforms at Lake Mangamahoe.

Councillor Hugo noted sightings of red eyed slider turtles at Lake Otamangakau which have been reported to DOC.

Ranging at Lake Mangamahoe will be increased due to reports of spin fishing occurring there.

Councillor Potroz informed councillors that gorse spraying at the Stewart Wetland has been organised.

Councillor Donald noted the passing of Chris Aylward (Crusty) and his attendance at the funeral.

**19. NEXT MEETING**

The next meeting will be held on 24 March 2017 in Whanganui.

**20. CLOSURE**

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 2:10pm.

**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  
13 March 2018

**TARANAKI FISH & GAME COUNCIL**

**ACTION LIST ARISING FROM COUNCIL DECISIONS**

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Responsible</b>	<b>Target Date</b>	<b>Item Update – Actions Required</b>
Reinstatement of sign at Lake Mangamahoe/ erection of fishing platforms	Manager	June 2017	Awaiting initial design to then run past an engineer for review
Fishing access – Normanby Loop	Field Officer	May 2017	Ongoing.
Formalize wards for next election	Manager	July 2018	Manager to publically advertise change
Invite to Conservation Board chair	Manager	February 2018	Awaiting appointment of new board
Status of Special Season Permits	Manager	March 2018	Agenda item for March 2018 meeting
Follow up water control structures	Manager	March 2018	Manager with the assistance of Councilor Nancarrow has identified a suitable product and placed an order.
Article on paradise shelduck numbers in newsletter	Manager	April 2018	Scheduled article for the newsletter

TARANAKI FISH & GAME COUNCIL

ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA PROGRAM

Meeting	Board	Operational	Statutory	Strategic/Policy
10 February 2018 Raetihi	All Board Items	All Operational Items, to be received	Confirm Game Season Regulations.	Review 5 Year Strategic Plan
24 March 2018 Whanganui	All Board Items	All Operational Items, to be received	Consider Draft 2018/2019 Annual Operational Work Plan & Budget. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fish Season Regs.</li> <li>• Licence fee recommendation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nominations for Bruce McKenzie Memorial Award</li> </ul>
9 June 2018 Waitara	All Board Items.	All Operational Items, to be Received	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adopt 2018 / 2019 Annual Plan</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Receive nominations for Bruce McKenzie Memorial Award</li> <li>• 2018 Game Season Report</li> </ul>
18 August 2018 Opunake	All Board Items.	All Operational Items, to be Received		
3 November 2018 Stratford	All Board Items.	All Operational Items, to be Received	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• End of Year Project Reports</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2019 meeting dates</li> <li>• First meeting of new Council</li> </ul>
8 December 2018 Whanganui Ordinary meeting and AGM	All Board Items.	All Operational Items, to be Received	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2019 Game Gazette Notice</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>

2017/18 – 2021/22 Strategic Plan

Approved 10<sup>th</sup> February 2018

Work Area	Key Result	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2020/22
Advocacy	Signage	Identify sign locations and priorities and prescribe replacement schedule	Replace/ erect new signs on rivers and lakes around the region consistent with the priorities identified			
		Lake Mangamahoe information signs				
	New or updated angling and hunting pamphlets and/or web pages	Coastal lakes with emphasis on how to catch perch	Whanganui River			
		Update Waimarino information including Manganuioteao and Mangawhero rivers				
		Update Waingongo information	Update Taranaki Ringplain information			

		Introduction to pheasant hunting in Taranaki Region	Introduction to duck hunting opportunities in the Taranaki Region	
	Effective use of the Media	Develop new pages and regularly update		
		Review media strategy		
		Develop facebook page		
	Children's fishing days	Trial to rear fish for Stratford fishing day		
	Increase participation		Explore options for discounted licences for beginning hunters	
		Develop mentoring schemes for hunters and anglers including public instruction/ information days		
	Manage hunter behaviour		Implement strategy	
		Develop long-term strategy to achieve appropriate hunter behaviour		
	Compliance strategy		Review Compliance Strategy	
			Consider other options to undertake compliance if and when these become available	
	Honorary Rangers			
	Taranaki Freshwater Plan	Actively engage in process as opportunities arise		
Compliance				
Resource				

Management Act	Our long-term approach				Review strategic approach (to include priorities and time commitments)
Administration	Simplify operational outputs and coding	Implement any outcomes of National Council financial review			
	New Plymouth office	Implement preferred option			
	Whanganui office	Update signage and office interior			
	Administrative support	Review computing requirements including file storage/ sharing			
Sports fish monitoring and management	Obtain baseline information for key streams	Manganuioteao River (yr 2)	Waiwhakaiho system		
	Investigate value of stocking specific streams and lakes	Waingongoro, Kapuni & Kaupokonui Stream and tributaries (yr 3)	Review and refine stocking plan for region		
	Investigate opportunities to restore fisheries	Timaru Stream	Stony River		

	<b>Improve angler access</b>	Provide for increased angling access around Lake Mangamahoe through provision of two angling platforms		
	<b>Use of angler surveys and diaries</b>	Develop fishery in Hawera irrigation pond  Review opportunities to monitor specific rivers in light of NAS results and to include satisfaction		
	<b>Review Management Plan</b>		Review and complete new Management Plan (expired 8 August 2021)	
<b>Hatchery</b>	<b>Long-term operation</b>	Review requirements and options. Will be influenced by stocking studies above, children's fishing day review and also by future NP office requirements	Implement decisions	
	<b>Mallard Duck monitoring</b>	Exotic disease response plan Investigate movement of ducks between high and low country and implications for any monitoring programme		
<b>Gamebird monitoring and investigations</b>		Implement trial monitoring protocol for Waimarino and refine as required (yr 2)	Implement trial monitoring protocol for Whanganui	
	<b>Pukeko</b>			Review option of a

<b>monitoring</b>				summer season	
<b>Habitat enhancement</b>	Promote practical outcomes out of the Mallard Research Project	Establish environmental award			
	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 Keep up to date with current predator control techniques and operations and actively seek to implement effective programmes as appropriate Explore option for wider Nukumarū wildlife area Predator trapping trial/s to enhance game populations				
<b>New opportunities</b>	Resolve permits to rear, release and disturb	Review criteria/ policy to rear and release upland game			
		Locate and publicise quality gamebird recipes especially for paradise duck			
<b>Hunter aspirations</b>	Survey of aspirations of upland game bird hunters	Survey of aspirations of waterfowl hunters			

Review: February 2019 Council Meeting



## TARANAKI FISH & GAME COUNCIL

The Chairman  
Taranaki Fish & Game Council

### DRAFT 2018/2019 ANNUAL OPERATIONAL PLAN AND INDICATIVE BUDGET

Please find attached a draft annual operational plan and indicative budget for our next financial year, for Council's preliminary consideration and discussion. The work programme is guided by and consistent with those projects identified in the 5 year strategic plan.

At this time the financial pages of the draft budget are based on our indicative 2018/2019 base funding. The draft budget along with our contestable fund applications will then be taken to the Managers meeting on 26-27 April where licence fees for the coming season will be recommended for National Council consideration.

A revised version of the plan and budget can then be prepared for our 9 June meeting in Waitara, for adoption by Council. This will include any changes that Council decides at this meeting that should be made.

The draft budget does not include 3 contestable fund bids;

1. A 1.6% CPI increase to staff salaries (\$2,260 - it is expected this bid will be made by all regions)
2. To fund the ongoing shortfall in the new office lease (\$15,200) which in effect has already been agreed when the Exceptional Funding bid to enter into the new lease in the current year was approved.
3. \$7,500 (ongoing) for the Asset Replacement Fund to cover scheduled spending over the next 4 years (in reality the total overheads including salaries are 7.5k short which we have sought as a single bid against the Asset Replacement Fund).

**Recommendation:** That the Draft 2018/2019 Annual Operational Plan and Budget, be received.

Glenn Maclean  
MANAGER  
14 March 2018



**TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL**

**ANNUAL OPERATIONAL PLAN**

**FOR THE YEAR**

**1 SEPTEMBER 2018 TO 31 AUGUST 2019**

Presented 24<sup>th</sup> March 2018

Adopted

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## **1 INTRODUCTION**

Section 26 Q(1)(e)(ii) of the Conservation Act 1987 requires an Annual Operational Plan be prepared by each Fish and Game Council. This Plan is the Council's contract with its stakeholders and defines the results to be achieved and costs to be incurred for the financial year.

## **2 PURPOSE OF TARANAKI FISH & GAME COUNCIL**

The Council is a public entity, created by statute (The Conservation Act 1987) to manage, maintain and enhance the sports fish and game bird resources of its region, in the recreational interests of anglers and hunters.

## **3 OPERATION OF TARANAKI FISH & GAME COUNCIL**

The Council currently consists of 11 Councillors who were elected in November 2015. Councillors are elected three-yearly by fish and game licence holders in the Council's region and the next elections will be held in November 2018. The Council meets at least six times per year to direct the Council's management and to make its policy decisions.

The Council's Regional Office is based in Whanganui, with an office also in New Plymouth. The Council has three members of staff, a Regional Manager and Secretary at the Regional Office and a Senior Field Officer at the New Plymouth office.

## 4 DIRECTORY

### Councillors

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Paul Blewman (Chairman)	Hamilton	07 854 3342
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Chris Donald	Waitara	06 752 0127
David Potroz	Waitara	06 754 4384
Gerard Karalus	Hawera	06 278 7900
Craig McEwen	Egmont Village	06 752 2582
Romon Sargeson	Waiouru	06 387 6540
John Nancarrow	Inglewood	06 756 7929
Cory Potroz	Inglewood	027 930 9882
Steve Hugo	Whanganui	06 344 3789

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**5 STATEMENT OF SERVICE PERFORMANCE**  
**FOR THE YEAR TO 31 AUGUST 2019**

**5.1 SPECIES MANAGEMENT**

The Council's role is to manage its region's populations of sports fish and game bird species by assessing populations and harvest levels, augmenting or dispersing local populations as required and formulating season conditions that will best provide for the long term requirements of anglers and hunters.

<b>Project</b>	<b>Objective</b>	<b>Planned Result</b>
Fish Population Assessment	To keep Council informed of the state of the region's sports fish populations.  (Mgt Plan ref para 1.2.7, 2.1.8, 2.2.3)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Report to Council detailing the status of the sports fish population and implications for management by 31 August 2019.</li> <li>2. Baseline trout population information obtained and reported for the Waiwhakaiho River system (year 1 of 2).</li> <li>3. Opportunities to enhance the Timaru Stream fishery investigated and reported to Council (year 2 of 2).</li> </ol>
Game Bird Population Assessment	A robust system of game bird population assessment is operative, to enable sustainable population management.  (Mgt Plan ref para 1.2.7, 2.2.3)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Presentation to the Council detailing the current population status and implications for management of the region's black swan and paradise shelduck populations. The report to be presented to Council at its first planned meeting in 2019.</li> <li>2. Complete initial study into the movement of mallards between the Taranaki high country and coastal regions and the implications for long-term monitoring programme.</li> <li>3. Mallard monitoring protocol based around banding in the Waimarino and Whanganui regions and aerial counts on the Taranaki ring plain implemented and the results reported to Council.</li> <li>4. Pukeko monitoring conducted in April and shoveler duck counts in August. Analysis presented to Council as part of the Draft Game Gazette notice.</li> </ol>

<b>Project</b>	<b>Objective</b>	<b>Planned Result</b>
National Hunter Survey	An effective system of harvest assessment for game birds is operative.  (Mgt Plan ref para 1.2.7)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Full participation in Fish &amp; Game New Zealand's national hunter harvest survey during the 2019 game season, and including recording of banded birds shot.</li> <li>2. Hunter survey results for 2018 game season included in analysis presented to Council by 31<sup>st</sup> December 2018 as part of draft Game Gazette Notice.</li> </ol>
Special Game Bird Seasons	The maximisation of recreational opportunities for paradise shelduck hunters, and the dispersal and harvest of post moult congregations of paradise shelduck.  (Mgt Plan ref para 3.2.13, 3.2.14)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The co-ordination of a 2-weekend special game bird hunting season for paradise shelduck in Area C if appropriate based on January 2019 monitoring.</li> <li>2. Presentation to Council of the results of the 2019 Special Game Bird Season.</li> <li>3. When appropriate promote the use of recreational hunters to landowners with paradise duck problems.</li> </ol>
Hatchery	The maintenance of trout fisheries in the region's lakes and rivers by the operation of a cost effective hatchery program.  (Mgt Plan ref 2.1.10)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. To rear up to 3,000 healthy trout (fingerling, yearling and two year old) consistent with identified needs at the Hawera hatchery.</li> <li>2. Rear 300 quality 2-year old trout for Stratford Fishing Day.</li> <li>3. Complete review of hatchery requirements and options to meet these and report to Council. Implement agreed outcomes.</li> </ol>
Trout Liberations	The maintenance of trout fisheries in the region's lakes and rivers by the operation of a cost effective liberation program.  (Mgt Plan ref para 2.2.3)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Release of up to 3,000 healthy trout into lakes and rivers consistent with the planned release schedule.</li> <li>2. Release of up to 900 healthy two year old rainbow trout into suitable waters to provide immediate angling opportunity.</li> <li>3. Implement agreed outcomes of 3 year study into the value of stocking specific streams.</li> </ol>



Project	Objective	Planned Result
Keep and Release Approvals	<p>To meet statutory requirements for the keeping and release of fish and game species.</p> <p>(Stat. Ref Secs 53, 56 Wildlife Act, Sec 26 ZM Conservation Act)</p>	<p>1. Provision of advice as required on proposals to keep, rear or release game birds and to keep or release sports fish. Recommendations made to DoC on the issue of such permits.</p> <p>2. Liaison with F&amp;G National Office regarding streamlining the process for application and approval to rear and release gamebirds.</p>
Season Regulations	<p>Maintenance and improvement of regional sports fish and game bird resources through recommendations to the Minister of Conservation on conditions for fishing and game bird hunting seasons.</p> <p>(Mgt Plan ref para 2.2.3, 3.2.13)</p>	<p>1. Draft recommendations and supporting information regarding the 2019 gamebird hunting conditions and 2020 Special Season conditions provided to Council for the December 2018 meeting.</p> <p>2. Council's recommendations for 2019 game bird hunting season conditions are accurately incorporated into the 2019 Game Gazette Notice and supporting information.</p> <p>3. Recommendations and supporting information regarding the 2019/20 sports fishing conditions provided to Council for the June 2019 meeting.</p> <p>4. Council's recommendations for 2019/20 sports fishing conditions are accurately incorporated into the 2019 Anglers' Notice and supporting information.</p>
Game Bird Dispersal	<p>The dispersal or control of congregations of game birds, where they cause unacceptable damage to farmers' pasture or crops.</p> <p>(Mgt Plan ref para 1.1.1, 2.1.3, 2.2.3)</p>	<p>1. Proactively assist with the dispersal of unwanted congregations of game birds that are notified to the Council throughout the year.</p> <p>2. Liaise with F&amp;G national office regarding streamlining the process to issue permits to disturb and implement any agreed national approach.</p>

## 5.2 HABITAT MANAGEMENT

The Council's role is to protect and improve the habitat of sports fish and game bird species where methods are cost effectively available to do this.

<b>Project</b>	<b>Objective</b>	<b>Planned Result</b>
Resource Management Act Planning and Consents	The protection and enhancement of habitat by advocacy in Resource Management Act processes, and in other processes having a bearing on habitat values or hunting and angling opportunities.  (Mgt Plan ref para 2.2.9)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Make effective submissions on resource consent applications and statutory plan proposals to best achieve sports fish and game bird habitat protection and enhancement and / or to maintain or enhance hunting or angling access and opportunity.</li> <li>2. Engage in and actively advocate for protection and/ or enhancement of sports fish and gamebird habitat in the Taranaki Freshwater Plan Review process.</li> </ol>
Sports Fish Habitat Enhancement	The protection and enhancement of trout habitat including the promotion and support for improved riparian management and protection  (Mgt Plan ref para 2.2.9)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Provision of advice and promotion of effective management of riparian land margins throughout the region.</li> <li>2. Take opportunities to advocate for maintenance of flows to protect fishery values in recognized trout streams.</li> <li>3. Provide technical and administrative support and assistance to Manganuioteao River Riparian Project as required.</li> <li>4. Undertake and assist with efforts to keep didymo and other aquatic threats out of the Taranaki Fish &amp; Game Region.</li> </ol>
Game Bird Habitat Enhancement	The enhancement of game bird habitat.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Provision of advice to licence holders and landholders regarding the enhancement of game bird habitat and effective predator control.</li> <li>2. Provision of information and advice to applicants for GBHTB grants. Act where necessary as referees for projects and monitor the implementation of successful applications to ensure works are carried out to the agreed standard.</li> <li>3. Promote the need for and provide advice and examples regarding predator control programmes and any other outcomes from the Mallard Research project.</li> <li>4. Explore options for a wider Nukumaruru</li> </ol>

	(Mgt Plan ref para 2.2.9)	conservation area involving the respective landowners and agencies.
Taranaki Hunting & Habitat Scheme	The provision of hunting opportunities by developing and enhancing regional game bird habitat.  (Mgt Plan ref para 2.2.9)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Actively promote the Hunting &amp; Habitat Scheme to regional licence holders and landowners including through site visits, regional newspapers, newsletters and other media.</li> <li>2. Provide support for applications to H&amp;HS including advice on design and construction and on-site assistance to create high quality wetlands and hunting opportunities.</li> <li>3. Identify and actively pursue suitable opportunities for development of council owned wetlands.</li> </ol>

### **5.3 PARTICIPATION AND SATISFACTION OF ANGLERS AND HUNTERS**

The Council's role is to assess the requirements of anglers and hunters, to provide them with information on their sport and its administration, and to manage access to publicly available hunting land or fisheries where appropriate.

<b>Project</b>	<b>Objective</b>	<b>Planned Result</b>
Angler Access / opportunities	The promotion and improvement of angler access and use of regional sports fisheries.  (Mgt Plan ref para 2.2.13, 2.2.16)	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Resolution of how best to provide access information to licence holders.</li> <li>2. Explore opportunity and if practical develop a 'put &amp; take' trout fishery in Hawera irrigation pond.</li> <li>3. Production of updated Taranaki Ringplain information on Taranaki F&amp;G website.</li> <li>4. Implement identified opportunities for increased angling access around Lake Mangamahoe.</li> <li>5. Replace/ erect new signs consistent with priorities and needs identified in 2018.</li> <li>6. Liaison with the Walking Access Commission to identify potential improvements in public access.</li> </ol>

<b>Project</b>	<b>Objective</b>	<b>Planned Result</b>
Hunter Access / Opportunities	<p>Significant and measurable improvements in the delivery by the Council of opportunities for game bird hunters.</p> <p>(Mgt Plan ref para 2.2.13, 2.2.16)</p>	<p>1. Negotiate, allocate and issue access permits to publicly available hunting areas for the 2019 game bird hunting season.</p> <p>2. Actively seek and develop opportunities for gamebird hunter access.</p> <p>3. Explore mentoring/ information sharing opportunities for hunters including public instruction/ information days.</p>
Licence Holder Satisfaction Survey	<p>To keep Council informed of the level of licence holder satisfaction by the monitoring of hunter and angler activities and opinions.</p> <p>(Mgt Plan ref para 1.2.7)</p>	<p>1. Refine angler diary scheme to measure angler success and satisfaction for key fisheries in the region.</p> <p>2. Survey and report to Council on the aspirations of waterfowl hunters.</p>
Fish & Game Magazine	<p>The informing and education of anglers and hunters by the provision of information.</p> <p>(Mgt Plan ref para 1.2.7, 2.2.16)</p>	<p>1. Provide a regional supplement in each of the two special editions of Fish &amp; Game Magazine to be published during the reporting year.</p>
Regional Newsletter	<p>The informing and education of regional anglers and hunters by the provision of information.</p> <p>(Mgt Plan ref para 1.2.7, 2.2.16)</p>	<p>1. Publication of Hunting and Fishing Newsletters for regional licence holders and hunting landowners. Hunting newsletter distributed to all rural box holders in the region.</p>

<b>Project</b>	<b>Objective</b>	<b>Planned Result</b>
Regional Fish & Game Web Site	The informing and education of anglers and hunters by the provision of information.  (Mgt Plan ref para 1.2.7, 2.2.16)	1. Publication of information, material and articles of interest to hunters and anglers on the regional pages of the Fish & Game web site. Update of existing pages and thereafter information is regularly updated and easy to find and read.  2. Develop local facebook page.  3. The production of at least 6 Reel life articles and 2 Both Barrels articles.
Club Visits	Represent Council interests at local fishing and hunting clubs.  (Mgt Plan ref para 1.2.7, 2.2.19)	1. Council representation at recreational hunting and fishing club meetings across the region.

#### **5.4 PUBLIC INTERFACE**

The Council's role is to promote public understanding and acceptance of angling and game bird hunting issues and values.

<b>Project</b>	<b>Objective</b>	<b>Planned Result</b>
Liaison	In relation to planning, to liaise with local Conservation Boards.  (Mgt Plan ref para 3.2.8, 3.3.8, 3.3.14)	1. Liaison with Department of Conservation and Conservation Boards and where appropriate attend Conservation Board meetings within the Taranaki Fish & Game Region.  2. Where possible proactively engage and work co-operatively with Regional and District councils, other organisations and groups and the rural community.
Iwi Liaison	To develop effective working relationships with iwi over matters of mutual interest and give effect to the principles of the Treaty of Waitangi.  (Stat. Ref. Sec 4, Conservation Act. Mgt Plan ref para 3.5.1, 3.5.6)	1. Proactively engage and work with iwi within the region on matters of mutual interest, concern and benefit.  2. Take any opportunities to be involved in and contribute on water related matters through the Taranaki Maunga Settlement process.  3. Take an active and constructive role in the Te Kōpuka nā Te Awa Tupua (awa Tupua Strategy Group) set up under the Te Awa Tupua (Whanganui Claims Settlement) Act 2017.

Project	Objective	Planned Result
Advocacy	<p>Advocate in the interests of the Fish &amp; Game resource and its users.</p> <p>(Mgt Plan ref 4.12.1)</p>	<p>1. Promote the protection of fresh water, wetland and upland game habitats and the wider benefits of this.</p> <p>2. Represent the interests of anglers and hunters, and promote the validity of fishing and gamebird hunting.</p>
Information to licence holders including hunting and angling promotions	<p>Promote recreational angling and encourage participation by young anglers.</p>	<p>1. Where appropriate support trout fishing events and opportunities using liberations of 2 year old rainbow trout, to encourage participation and family involvement.</p> <p>2. Production of Regional Stillwater Sports Fisheries information on Taranaki F&amp;G website, with an emphasis on perch fishing opportunities and methods.</p>
	<p>The informing and education of anglers and hunters by the provision of information</p> <p>(Stat Ref 26Q(1)c(ii), Conservation Act Mgt Plan ref para 1.2.7, 2.2.10, 2.2.16)</p>	<p>1. Develop web based information package "Introduction to duck hunting opportunities in the Taranaki Region".</p> <p>2. Provide timely and useful information to licence holders when requested. Proactively utilise opportunities such as newspapers, website and public events to make information available.</p> <p>3. Opportunities for publicity on angling and hunting are taken and copies of coverage reported to Council.</p> <p>4. Develop and agree long-term strategy to achieve appropriate hunter behaviour.</p>

## 5.5 COMPLIANCE

The Council's role is to seek to ensure that all anglers and game bird hunters are licenced and that they are operating in compliance with the law and the season regulations.

<b>Project</b>	<b>Objective</b>	<b>Planned Result</b>
Ranger Management	<p>The protection and enhancement of the region's trout and game bird resources by the operation of an enforcement program consistent with the compliance policy and strategy and including utilising properly trained honorary rangers.</p> <p>(Mgt Plan ref 2.2.23)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The recruitment, training and skill maintenance of Council's Honorary Fish &amp; Game Ranger team is consistent with the Compliance Policy and Strategy.</li> <li>2. Provision of safety and compliance training and maintenance of compliance skills is provided on at least two occasions during the year.</li> <li>3. Comprehensive report detailing compliance activities including ranger management and results over the year presented to Council by 31 August 2019.</li> </ol>
Compliance	<p>Hunters and anglers comply with all legal requirements and current season regulations.</p> <p>(Mgt Plan ref para 2.2.23)</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Compliance checks and any prosecutions are completed consistent with the Compliance Policy and Strategy and also the Reparation Policy.</li> </ol>

## 5.6 LICENCING

The role of the Council is to issue hunting and fishing licences as the main source of income to fund the performance of its functions.

Project	Objective	Planned Result
Licensing	To issue hunting and fishing licences in such a way that they are readily available and easily purchased.  (Stat. Ref Sec 26Q(1)(f), Conservation Act. Mgt Plan ref para 2.2.25)	1. Hunters and anglers are aware of and can quickly and easily buy their licences on-line.  2. Progress reporting on licence sales provided to the Council throughout the year.
Licence Agent Servicing	To maintain a cost effective and efficient licence agent network.  (No Stat. or Mgt Plan ref)	1. Provision of ready and valued support and assistance to agents such that they are kept up to date, resourced and operate as effective licence agents.  2. Agents are fully aware of and familiar with the licence categories and able to appropriately advise the buyer.

## 5.7 COUNCIL

The role of the Council is to represent the interests of all Taranaki regional licence holders effectively in directing the management of the region's sports fish and game bird resources.

Project	Objective	Planned Result
Council	The effective direction of the management of the Council's business.  (Stat. Ref Sec 26 ZD, Conservation Act.)	1. Not less than six meetings of the Council that comply with all legal requirements to be held before 31 August 2019.  2. Council elections are conducted in an effective, appropriate and timely manner and the new Council provided with familiarisation and governance training as required.



## 5.8 PLANNING AND REPORTING

The role of the Council is to prepare such plans as will assist the cost effective performance of its functions, and to prepare and make available such reports as will provide transparent accountability for its activities and expenditure.

<b>Project</b>	<b>Objective</b>	<b>Planned Result</b>
Management Planning	Policies reflect national policies and good governance.  (Stat. Ref Secs 26Q (1)(e)(v), 26ZD(8), Conservation Act.)	1. Regional policies are developed and adopted when required.  2. The 5 year strategic plan is reviewed and agreed by Council by March 2019.
Staff Management	Provide a co-ordinated, co-operative and supportive relationship between Council, Staff and licence holders.  (No Stat. or Mgt Plan ref)	1. Effective management of staff and administration of Council consistent with best practice.
Administrative Support	Financial and administrative processes and reporting assist staff and Council and are robust, transparent and effective	1. Implement review outcomes re computing requirements including file storage and sharing.  2. Implement any outcomes of National Council financial review.
Annual Planning	To formulate and adopt an Annual Operational Work Plan.  (Stat. Ref Sec 26Q(3), Conservation Act.)	1. Adoption of a proposed Annual Budget and Operational Work Plan for 2019/2020 by the Council by 31 Aug 2019.

<b>Project</b>	<b>Objective</b>	<b>Planned Result</b>
Annual Reporting	<p>To furnish the Minister of Conservation with an annual report on the operations of the Council for the year.</p> <p>(Stat. Ref Sec 26X, Conservation Act.)</p>	<p>1. The adoption and presentation by the Council at a public annual general meeting of its audited annual report for 2017/2018 not later than 31 December 2018, and its dispatch to the Minister directly thereafter.</p>
Regional and National Liaison	<p>Effective management and planning of cross boundary sports fish and game bird species.</p> <p>(Mgt Plan ref para 3.3.1 and 3.3.2)</p>	<p>1. Effective communications with other regional managers and input and valued comment on issues affecting Fish &amp; Game and sports fish and game bird management.</p>
	<p>Effective liaison with New Zealand Fish and Game Council to meet all statutory requirements.</p> <p>(Stat. Ref Sec 26C (1), Conservation Act. Mgt Plan ref para 2.2.31, 2.2.32)</p>	<p>1. Representation to New Zealand Fish and Game Council by 31 August 2019, of the Council's recommendations for licence fees, fund redistribution, research requirements, and national policy development.</p> <p>2. Representation at the Fish &amp; Game New Zealand Regional Managers meetings.</p> <p>3. Effective communications with NZC staff and valued comment provided on Fish &amp; Game issues when requested.</p>

## 5.9 STAFF CO-ORDINATION AND TRAINING

The Council's role as a good employer is to ensure that all practicable steps are taken to provide staff with a safe and healthy work environment and that staff have the appropriate training necessary to carry out their duties safely, legally and effectively.

Project	Objective	Planned Result
Staff Communication	Maintain regular staff communications and involvement in overall operations of Fish & Game	1. Regular staff meetings and/ or phone conferences to share information such that all staff are aware of what is generally occurring, and where appropriate have ready opportunity for input into decisions and management direction.  2. Performance reviews are completed for the past year and new objectives agreed for all staff.
Staff Training	Organise specific training opportunities to suit the individual requirements of staff.	1. Staff training identified in performance review process is planned and undertaken.
Accommodation	Work place is safe and comfortable, meets work requirements including accessibility to the public and is cost effective.	1. Complete setup of New Plymouth Office and update Whanganui Office signage and layout.

<b>Project</b>	<b>Objective</b>	<b>Planned Result</b>
Health and Safety	Ensure that Fish & Game operations occur safely and are consistent with Occupational Safety and Health policy, standards and best practice.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. All processes and activities are consistent with Council Health &amp; Safety Policy and hazard control plans, reviews and audits occur as scheduled, all necessary equipment and training is provided and new hazards are identified and addressed appropriately.</li> <li>2. All accidents are reported and recorded in the accident register, investigations completed and any identified actions implemented and reported to Council at the next meeting.</li> <li>3. Hazard Control Plans are identified and developed/ amended for any new activity.</li> <li>4. An annual review of Health and Safety Management is completed in September 2018 and reported to Council.</li> <li>5. Compliance with HSAW requirements and policy and any issues identified are reported to each meeting of Council.</li> <li>6. Two monthly staff meetings which include a specific agenda item to discuss HSAW are held.</li> <li>7. Staff are actively involved in implementing HSAW policy and ensuring a safe workplace.</li> </ol>

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**TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL**  
**BUDGETED STATEMENT OF PROJECT EXPENDITURE,**  
**OVERHEADS AND TIME ALLOCATION**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019**

	<b>SPECIES MANAGEMENT</b>	<b>External costs</b>	<b>Hours</b>	<b>Internal Costs</b>	<b>Income</b>	<b>Nett Cost</b>
	<b>Population Monitoring</b>					
1111	Fish Population Assessment	400	150	12,018		12,418
1112	Game Bird Population Assessment	10,000	320	25,639		35,639
		<b>10,400</b>	<b>470</b>	<b>37,658</b>		<b>48,058</b>
	<b>Harvest Assessment</b>					
1121	National Hunter Survey	2,300	20	1,602		3,902
1123	Special Game Bird Season	750	30	2,404	500	2,654
		<b>3,050</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>4,006</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>6,556</b>
	<b>Hatchery Operations</b>					
1141	Hatchery	7,000	85	6,810		13,810
		<b>7,000</b>	<b>85</b>	<b>6,810</b>		<b>13,810</b>
	<b>Releases</b>					
1161	Kids Fishing Days	5,500	40	3,205	1,200	7,005
1162	Other Liberations	10,800	70	5,609	10,800	5,609
		<b>15,800</b>	<b>110</b>	<b>8,814</b>	<b>12,000</b>	<b>12,614</b>
	<b>Regulations</b>					
1171	Season Regulations		30	2,404		2,404
			<b>30</b>	<b>2,404</b>		<b>2,404</b>
	<b>Control</b>					
1181	Game Bird Dispersal	1,500	120	9,615	500	10,615
		<b>1,500</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>9,615</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>10,615</b>
	<b>HABITAT PROTECTION / MANAGEMENT</b>					
	<b>Resource Management Act</b>					
1211	RMA Consents	100	500	40,062		40,162
		<b>100</b>	<b>500</b>	<b>40,062</b>		<b>40,162</b>
	<b>Assisted Habitat</b>					
1231	Sports Fish Habitat Management & Enhancement	2,000	100	8,012		10,012
1232	Gamebird Habitat Management & Enhancement	11,600	150	12,018		23,618
1233	Taranaki Hunting & Habitat Projects	15,000	150	12,018	15,000	12,018
1234	Manganuioteao River Riparian Project	5,000			5,000	-
		<b>33,600</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>32,049</b>	<b>20,000</b>	<b>45,649</b>

		External costs	Hours	Internal Costs	Income	Nett Cost
	<b>PARTICIPATION</b>					
	<b>Access</b>					
1311	Angler Access	2,000	80	6,410		8,410
1312	Hunter Access		15	1,202		1,202
1313	Access Permit – Upland Game	200	5	401		601
		<b>3,200</b>	<b>100</b>	<b>8,012</b>		<b>10,212</b>
	<b>Satisfaction Survey</b>					
1321	Licence Holder Satisfaction Surveys	300	10	801		1,101
		<b>300</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>801</b>		<b>1,101</b>
	<b>Newsletter &amp; Magazine</b>					
1331	Fish & Game Magazine	3,000	40	3,205		6,205
1333	Regional Newsletter	7,300	60	4,807		12,107
1335	Web pages / Ezine		40	3,205		3,205
		<b>10,300</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>11,217</b>		<b>21,517</b>
	<b>Other Publications</b>					
1341	Access Pamphlets	-	30	2,404		2,404
		<b>-</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>2,404</b>		<b>2,404</b>
	<b>Club Relations</b>					
1362	Club Visits / Club Donations	300	10	801		1,101
		<b>300</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>801</b>		<b>1,101</b>
	<b>PUBLIC INTERFACE</b>					
	<b>Liaison</b>					
1411	Liaison		30	2,404		2,404
1412	Iwi Liaison		40	3,205		3,205
			<b>70</b>	<b>5,609</b>		<b>5,609</b>
	<b>Advocacy</b>					
1431	Advocacy		250	20,031		20,031
1432	Hunting & Angling Promotions	1,000	70	5,609		6,609
		<b>1,000</b>	<b>320</b>	<b>25,639</b>		<b>26,639</b>
	<b>Public Awareness</b>					
1441	Angling Promotions	1,000	30	2,404		3,404
		<b>1,000</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>2,404</b>		<b>3,404</b>
	<b>COMPLIANCE</b>					
	<b>Ranging</b>					
1511	Ranger Management	500	72	5,769		6,269
1521	Ranger Training	1,000	40	3,205		4,205
		<b>1,500</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>8,974</b>		<b>10,474</b>
	<b>Compliance</b>					
1531	Compliance	1,000	150	12,018		13,018
1535	Reparation		20	1,602		1,602
			<b>170</b>	<b>13,621</b>		<b>14,621</b>

	<b>LICENCING</b>					
	<b>Agent Servicing</b>					
1621	Licence Agent Servicing	750	80	6,410		7,160
1622	Commission	7,769				7,769
		<b>8,519</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>6,410</b>		<b>14,929</b>
	<b>COUNCIL</b>					
	<b>Council Meetings</b>					
1721	Council Meetings	9,500	280	22,434		31,934
		<b>9,500</b>	<b>280</b>	<b>22,434</b>		<b>31,934</b>
	<b>PLANNING / REPORTING</b>					
	<b>Management / Strategic Planning</b>					
1811	Management Planning		20	1,602		1,602
1812	Staff Management		20	1,602		1,602
			<b>40</b>	<b>3,205</b>		<b>3,205</b>
	<b>Annual OWP / Budget / Fee Setting</b>					
1821	Business & Operational Planning		40	3,205		3,205
			<b>40</b>	<b>3,205</b>		<b>3,205</b>
	<b>Reporting Audit</b>					
1831	Other Reporting OSH	1,500	55	4,407		5,907
1832	Accountant					
1833	Auditor	5,700				5,700
		<b>7,200</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>4,407</b>		<b>11,607</b>
	<b>National Liaison</b>					
1841	Managers / National Office Liaison	100	160	12,820		12,920
		<b>100</b>	<b>160</b>	<b>12,820</b>		<b>12,920</b>
	<b>TOTAL OUTPUT COSTS</b>	<b>114,369</b>	<b>3,312</b>	<b>273,380</b>	<b>33,000</b>	<b>354,749</b>

## OVERHEADS

1911	Management Contract Staff Salaries incl Kiwi Saver Employer Cont.	241,303
1917	Wellington fish & Game Admin	-7,000
1921	ACC Levy	500
1922	Fringe Benefit Tax	800
1923	Staff Training	500
1925	Staff Expenses	100
1941	Office Rent	16,659
1943	Office Maintenance	693
1945	Office Power	1,200
1946	Office Cleaning & Security	1,900
1953	Office Equipment Maintenance	2,000
1961	Telephone / fax	5,500
1962	Postage	1,500
1964	Stationery	1,500
1965	Photocopying	75
1970	Interest	-11,500
1974	Bank Charges Incl Eyede Charges	500
1975	Petty Cash	150
1976	Insurance General	2,000
1981	Field Equipment/PPE Purchases (<\$2,000)	500
1983	Field Equipment/PPE Maintenance	300
1991	Wanganui Vehicle	7,000
1992	New Plymouth Vehicle	7,000
1999	Trailer	200
	<b>TOTAL OVERHEAD COSTS</b>	<b>273,380</b>
	<b>STAFF HOURS</b>	<b>3412</b>
	<b>INTERNAL COST PER HOUR</b>	<b>80.12</b>

<b>Asset Replacement Funding</b>	
Office Equipment	
Vehicles	
<b>Total Asset Replacement Funding</b>	



7. **TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL**  
**BUDGETED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019**

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>BUDGETED SUM</u>
<b><u>Income</u></b>	
Game Licences (Extrapolated LEQ of 1,129) @ \$94 (\$91) less GBHT Stamp \$3 per licence	89,338
Sports Fish Licences (Extrapolated LEQ of 789) @ \$127	87,133
<b><u>Sub Total</u></b>	<b><u>176,471</u></b>
<b><u>Other Income</u></b>	
Interest	11,500
Fish & Game NZ National Grant	198,278
Summer Season	500
Trout Liberations	12,000
Game Bird Control	500
Wellington Fish & Game Admin	7,000
<b><u>Sub Total</u></b>	<b><u>229,778</u></b>
<b><u>Total Income</u></b>	<b><u>406,249</u></b>
<b><u>Expenditure</u></b>	
Species Management	37,750
Habitat Protection & Management	33,700
Angler / Hunter Participation	13,100
Public Interface	2,000
Compliance	2,500
Licencing	8,519
Councils	9,500
Planning / Reporting	7,300
<b><u>Total Project Expenditure</u></b>	<b><u>114,369</u></b>
<b><u>Other Expenditure</u></b>	
Employee related costs	243,203
Other Operating Expenses	48,677
Asset Replacement Funding	-
<b><u>Total Other Expenditure</u></b>	<b><u>291,880</u></b>
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b><u>406,249</u></b>
<b>Depreciation</b>	<b>16,556</b>
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b><u>422,805</u></b>
<b>Surplus (Deficit)</b>	<b>(16,556)</b>

8. **TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL**  
**BUDGETED STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019**

<u>ITEM</u>	<u>BUDGETED</u> <u>SUM</u>
<b>CURRENT ASSETS</b>	
Cash and Cash Equivalents	125,063
Debtors and Other Receivables	29,000
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<hr/> 154,063
<b>NON CURRENT ASSETS</b>	
Property Plant and Equipment	44,384
Fish Project Reserve	17,396
Habitat & Hunting Scheme	381,106
Non-resident licence fund	3,992
Asset Replacement Reserve	15,870
Investments	5,000
<b>Total Non-Current Assets</b>	<hr/> 467,748
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>	<hr/> <b>621,811</b> <hr/>
<b>CURRENT LIABILITIES</b>	
Creditors and Other Payables	55,000
Employee Entitlements	24,000
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<hr/> 79,000
<b>TOTAL LIABILITIES</b>	<hr/> 79,000
<b>NET ASSETS</b>	<hr/> 542,811 <hr/> <hr/>

9. **TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL**  
**BUDGETED STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019**

**CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES**

**Cash was received from:**

Licence Sales	176,471
Grants, donations and fundraising	198,278
Interest	11,500
Other revenue	20,000
<b>Total Cash received</b>	<b>406,249</b>

**Cash was applied to**

Payments to suppliers	130,000
Payments to employees	224,358
GST (net)	0
<b>Total Cash applied</b>	<b>354,358</b>

<b>Nett Cash Flows from Operating Activities</b>	<b>51,891</b>
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**CASH FLOW FROM INVESTING & FINANCIAL ACTIVITIES**

**Cash was received from:**

Sale of property , plant and equipment	25,000
Sale of investments / deposits	

**Cash was applied to:**

Purchase of property, plant & equipment	44,000
Purchase of investments / deposits	
<b>Net Cash Flows from Investing and Financing</b>	<b>(19,000)</b>

<b>Net Increase / (decrease) in cash</b>	<b>32,891</b>
<b>Opening Cash</b>	<b>88,643</b>
<b>Closing Cash</b>	<b>121,534</b>

10. **TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL**  
**BUDGETED STATEMENT OF MOVEMENTS IN EQUITY**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2019**

	<u>BUDGETED SUM</u>
Equity at Start of Year	554,533
<b>Surplus &amp; Revaluations</b>	
Net Surplus (deficit)	(16,556)
<b>Total income and expense</b>	<u>(16,556)</u>
<b>Equity at End of Year</b>	<u><u>537,977</u></u>

11. TARANAKI FISH & GAME COUNCIL DEPRECIATION SCHEDULE 2018/2019

	Cost Price	Opening Book Value 1/09/2018	Additions Disposals	Gain/Loss on Disposal	Capital Profit	Month	Rate	\$	Accum Depreciation 31/8/2018	Book Value 31/8/2019
Trout Hatchery Hawera	16,451								16,451	
Virginia Lake Platform	14,230	3,797				12	4% CP	569	11,002	3,228
2016 Ford Ranger 4WD KBQ265	44,306	22,485				12	30% DV	6,746	28,567	15,740
2015 Ford Ranger 4WD JCF682	40,200	12,754				12	30% DV	3,826	31,272	8,928
Polaris S X S Motorbike	15,648	9,584				12	30% DV	2,875	8,939	6,709
Euro Tilt Cabinets	1,054	50				12	14.4% DV	7	1,011	43
Office Furniture Wanganui	2,794	162				12	24% DV	39	2,671	123
Criterion WB141 Bookcase (Rimu)	983	12				12	18% DV	2	975	10
Ergoplus Corner Workstation New Plymouth	533	43				12	14.4% DV	6	496	37
HP Pro Desk 600 Computer & Software WGI	2,276	113				12	50% DV	57	2,220	57
2014 New Plymouth Computer	2,200	109				12	50% DV	55	2,146	55
Sharp MX-2314 photocopier	5,995	3,117				12	48% DV	1,496	4,374	1,621
Field Equipment	1,771	75				12	10% DV	8	1,704	68
Nephelometer	3,690	31				12	21.6% DV	7	3,666	24
Hatchery Deep Freeze	1,528	13				12	21.6% DV	3	1,518	10
Diving Gear & Wetsuit	884	16				12	21.6% DV	3	871	13
Electric Fishing Machine	13,186	8,579				12	10% DV	858	5,465	7,721
	167,731	60,940						16,556	123,347	44,384



## TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL

The Chairman  
Taranaki Fish and Game Council

### HEALTH AND SAFETY – March 2018

#### 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

<b>1. New issues or hazards</b>	
Unstable hillsides above Parapara highway	Follow NZTA instructions, recognise the risk of falling rocks and avoid stopping under any cliffs
Police assistance with Opening Day ranging	Allen to liaise with Police over appropriate and effective Hazard Control Plan and actions

  

<b>3. Ongoing issues</b>	
Safe storage – New Plymouth Office	Allen has erected shelving, need to purchase some additional shelving. Mezzanine floor erection ongoing.
CERT safety training required for 3 Taranaki F&G honorary rangers	Refresher training day held for 2 rangers in Rotorua. One ranger was unavailable
Sharp edge of shelf opposite photocopier at Whanganui Office	Completed

<b>4. Audits , reviews and meetings</b>	
HSE included as agenda item for staff meeting	Staff meeting held 13 March 2018
Annual review of Health and Safety Manual	Completed September 2017
F&G self-audit	Completed July 2017
Staff check use of PPE gear by others in the field	Only joint activity was bird banding – sunscreen worn.
<b>5. Near misses and injuries</b>	
Nil	

Glenn Maclean

Regional Manager

March 2018



## TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL

The Chairman

Taranaki Fish and Game Council

### SPECIAL SEASON CONDITIONS

#### Background

At the last Council meeting I was asked what the legal basis was for the permit required for the Paradise Shelduck special season, and whether there were any options to subsequently modify the conditions prescribed in the relevant Game Notice relating to the special season. This was in recognition that because the Game Notice conditions are required to be set 12 months before the actual special season that the paradise shelduck population status may have changed significantly in the meantime.

The basis of the special permit is 16(1) of the Wildlife Act 1953 which states

*“(1) Every notification of an open season for game, shall specify*

*(d) such other conditions (if any) as he (Minister of Conservation) thinks fit to impose respecting the hunting or killing during that open season of game or any particular species or sex thereof”*

The paradise shelduck special season is listed in the Open Season notification in Schedule 2 of the Gazetted Game Notice for Taranaki. Furthermore as part of setting any other conditions the Minister prescribes that for the Special Paradise Shelduck Season that *“All hunters, including land occupiers, must hold a valid Taranaki Special Season Hunting permit to participate”*

This clause (5.1) provides the legal basis for the permit. However Schedule 2 does not prescribe that the Council Shall or Must issue any such permit.

This raises why a permit would be required, noting that Northland for example do not have any permit requirement with respect to their summer paradise special season. One basis could be to provide hunter contact details so as to be able to estimate the special season harvest. While this is a valid outcome I'm not sure it would be sufficient to justify this condition on its own.

Ultimately the Minister has the legal authority under the Wildlife Act to set game conditions and this authority cannot be fettered by Council subsequently manipulating the season conditions using the special permit. However the option does exist not to issue a permit at all which in effect precludes any special season as the hunter then does not have a valid Taranaki Special Season Hunting Permit. I would argue that this is the basis for this clause, so as to provide a mechanism that if subsequent monitoring proves it necessary that the Special Season can be cancelled at short notice.

In other words if the special season occurs it must be consistent with the conditions set by the Minister, however there is the option if monitoring results dictate to cancel the season.

Our recommendation is that as part of discussing the current declining trend of the paradise population in the upcoming hunting newsletter that we flag that any special season next year will be

dependent on monitoring results from January 2019, and that there is a possibility if bird numbers remain low that we may not issue any permits, and therefore there may not be any season.

#### RECOMMENDATIONS

That Taranaki Fish & Game Council note that;

1. A valid Taranaki Special Season Hunting Permit is a legal requirement to participate in the Paradise Shelduck Special Season
2. It has the option not to issue any Taranaki Special Season Hunting Permits should the latest monitoring indicate a special season is not supported
3. This has the effect of cancelling the special season for that year.

Glenn Maclean

Regional Manager

12 March 2018

## TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL

The Chairman

Taranaki Fish and Game Council

### JUVENILE TROUT SURVEY OF THE MANGANUIOTEAO RIVER

#### Objective

To update baseline data on the juvenile rainbow and brown trout populations in the Manganuioteao River and tributaries as compared to the 1979 -81 study by Cudby & Strickland.

#### Methodology

Eleven sites along the Manganuioteao River upstream of Ruatiti Domain and including tributaries were surveyed by electric fishing in early December 2017. This involved fishing the range of habitats available at each site for a total of approximately 7 minutes machine time.

#### Summary of Results

The catch rate of juvenile trout of each species at each site is summarised in Table 1. This table also lists the species found by Errol Cudby and Rowan Strickland in their surveys between 1979 and 1981 (Cudby & Strickland 1986).

**Table 1 Catch (fish/minute) and average length (mm) of juvenile trout by species and site in 2017, along with occurrence in 1979 – 1981 (from Cudby & Strickland, 1986) (NF = not fished)**

Location	Brown trout		Rainbow trout		1979- 1981	
	Density	Av. length	Density	Av. length	Brown	Rainbow
Ruatiti Bridge			0.53	35	√	√
Fern Pool below Meyers Bridge			1	32	√	√
Manganuioteao above Makatote confluence			2.9	35	NF	NF
Waimarino above Makatote confluence			1		NF	NF
Makatote above Manganuioteao confluence			1.5	35	NF	NF
Manganuioteao at SH 4			1.8	34		√
Waimarino at Waikune	1.9	37	0.8	38	√	√
Orautoha - Fahey's Bridge	0.5	69	0.8	53	√	
Orautoha - below Papa Stream			0.9	53	√	
Papa Stream			0.7	53	√	

Orautoha - Middle Road	1	44			√	
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In this survey the only brown trout we caught in the main-stem and upper tributaries were in the Waimarino at State Highway 4. However Cudby et.al reported catching brown trout by electric fishing at the lower sites. Almost certainly they are present being recruited from the Orautoha Stream if nowhere else. Nevertheless our results suggest they are in very low densities, at least in the habitat we fished.

As in this study Cudby et.al reported catching brown trout in the Waimarino Stream at State Highway 4, and suggested that the Waimarino population was discrete from the Manganuioteao population downstream. He also reported catching brown trout in the upper Makatote River (though we were unable to fish this site in this study). Given the impressive fall in both these rivers above their confluence (35 to 50 metres/ kilometre) and the inherently languid nature of brown trout we support this conclusion regarding a separate Waimarino population. Furthermore if brown trout are still present in the upper Makatote River then these are also likely to be a small discrete resident population.

**The upper river falls rapidly and is dominated by boulders and small drops and shutes**



By contrast rainbow trout fry were present at all the sites we fished consistent with the results of Cudby et.al. Furthermore an angler we met at the Manganuioteao/ Makatoku confluence commented he had observed limited numbers of adult rainbow trout in the pools as he walked

down the Makatoku River from SH 4. We also observed adult rainbow trout in the Waimarino Stream at SH 4.

Despite the large fall in the upper river we did not see any obstruction that would limit the migration of this more energetic species, albeit that it is certainly a demanding migration route. Combined with their propensity to migrate significant distances downstream as juveniles then it is expected that these rainbows in the upper rivers are all part of a single population.

With the exception of a single 1+ juvenile observed in the Manganuioteao River at SH 4 all of the juveniles captured in the main-stem were less than 54mm long, with a number of newly emerged fry of 24 to 26mm recorded including at the lower sites. This is also reflected by the average size recorded at each site which ranged between 32 and 38mm. Furthermore there was no increase in the average size as we moved down the river as compared to the trend in the upper Mangawhero River for example (Maclean, 2015). These results suggest that rainbow spawning likely peaked around early September which is consistent with other central North Island rainbow fisheries. However the presence of newly emerged fry also indicates that some spawning occurred well after this. The similar size of the juveniles throughout the river suggests that spawning was spread over the length of the river (above Ruatiti) rather than concentrated in the headwaters.

Similarly while rainbow fry densities measured were not particularly high, when taken over the whole upper river such densities will add up to a lot of young trout.

Cudby suggests that the open nature of the middle river provides more riffles and shallow runs than either the upper or lower river and provides the bulk of habitat for juvenile trout. This is by way of the boulder banks and rapids, with their protection of large rounded stones piled upon each other.

Typically as juvenile rainbow trout grow they seek faster and deeper water. While we didn't fish the habitat described above, we would nevertheless expect older young of the year to still be present in the areas we did fish at this time. This absence of larger young of the year suggests that rainbow spawning was concentrated in spring. This is consistent with many other studies that have found rainbow trout spawn in spring to coincide with a regime of increasing water temperature.

At the time of survey the western North Island had experienced a month of very warm temperatures and drought conditions had rapidly developed along the coast. However while temperatures were also high inland (and including the Manganuioteao catchment) the regular occurrence of late afternoon thunderstorms had maintained river flows. With the exception of the upper Waimarino Stream whose temperature was recorded at only 12.5°C at the time of survey, temperatures recorded in the main-stem and upper tributaries ranged from 15.2 to 18.1°C. This range is ideal for trout growth.

Even at State Highway 4 the specific conductivity was relatively high for what are pristine headwater rivers and streams and appears indicative of an inherently high ionic content. However while it is not evident in the conductivity values the Waimarino Stream appeared to have a higher nutrient loading as evidenced by the increased periphyton growth compared to the adjacent Makatote and Manganuioteao rivers. Waikune Prison in the headwaters has now been derelict for many years and there is otherwise very little development in the upper reaches. Therefore we believe that this

nutrient loading is most likely natural and perhaps an artefact of the extensive swampy areas which border this stream within Erua Forest.

Down to the confluence with the Orautoha Stream the water quality appears high and the substrate relatively free of sediment, which in turn is reflected by an invertebrate fauna dominated by high quality species such as *Nesameletus* and *Coloburiscus* mayfly nymphs and green stoneflies. However at Ruatiti bridge site the river is carrying a high sediment load which is reflected in a higher specific conductivity value. In the slower moving parts this sediment has clogged the bottom and filled in the interstitial spaces. Not surprisingly the invertebrate fauna was recorded as only sparse and the periphyton as limited.

Overall the main-stem above the Orautoha confluence provides localised spawning habitat and extensive high quality rearing habitat. However the upper river is very steep and highly entrenched which makes upstream migration demanding. Similarly large floods through this section are likely to severely impact on the juvenile fishery through physical damage and stranding, though the deeper pools below the confluence of the three rivers likely provide refuge for larger trout.

This increased sediment at Ruatiti is also evident in the Orautoha Stream. Interestingly the specific conductivity declines from what are relative high levels in the upper catchment and Papa Stream to much more moderate levels at the lower Fahey's Bridge site. This latter site was characterised by extensive sediment lying on the bed, and this decline in conductivity is the opposite to the normal trend down a river. There is certainly something unusual occurring in this stream with respect to water quality and all in all this stream does not appear of as high quality as we might expect. To this end we are now working with Horizons Regional Council to better understand just what is happening.

In the 1979 – 81 study juvenile rainbow trout were only found at one site in the Orautoha Stream. This was at odds with the results from a fish trap operated at the same time in the lower stream which recorded a significant number of mature rainbow trout moving up the stream to spawn. However our investigation recorded rainbow trout at all sites other than at Middle Road in the very upper reaches which is more in keeping with the trap results. However in comparison to the main-stem these fish were significantly larger averaging 53mm long at each site (and ranging from 44 to 64mm). While water temperature influences egg development and growth, the large size difference suggests that in the Orautoha Stream rainbow trout may spawn earlier than in the main-stem. Typically rainbow trout spawn when water temperatures are between 5 and 11°C. At 100% saturation this represents dissolved oxygen (DO) values in the range of 12.75 down to 11mg/L, and it is generally accepted that above 12 C° rainbow trout egg survival through to hatching and emergence declines significantly. Therefore this timing of spawning may reflect that the Orautoha Stream is less affected by snow melt and may perhaps warm earlier in spring.

While we caught more rainbow juveniles than the earlier study the reverse occurred with brown trout. Typically the Orautoha is considered a brown trout spawning stream however we did not catch any individuals in either the Papa Stream or in the main channel immediately downstream. Like the rainbows in the Orautoha Stream those brown juveniles that we caught at the upper site (Middle Road) ranged from 38 to 50mm. However those at the lower site ranged from 64 to 72mm in length. Typically brown trout spawn a month or two before rainbow trout and this result is consistent with this. However whether they were spawned in this part of the river or reflect

juveniles growing as they migrate downstream is unknown. However this part of the stream was heavily impacted by sediment limiting the interstitial spaces (and places to hide) and also invertebrate densities. As such it is clearly not ideal juvenile habitat and it appears most likely that these are juveniles passing through on their way down to the main-stem of the Manganuioteao River.

### Summary

A single population of rainbow trout spawn throughout the Manganuioteao River and tributaries. By contrast a brown trout population in the Waimarino Stream is likely to be a discrete population separate from that lower down.

Both species also spawn in the Orautaha Stream, however spawning appears to occur earlier than in the rest of the river.

The main-stem above the Orautaha confluence provides generally rugged but high quality habitat with good water quality and desirable invertebrates. However below this confluence the river is impacted by sediment which limits the interstitial spaces and appears to also impact on invertebrate density.

This sediment appears to be derived from the Orautaha Stream. This stream is characterised by high specific conductivity values and sediment even in the upper reaches. The cause/s are unknown but this does impact on the quality of the habitat.

### RECOMMENDATIONS

That Taranaki Fish & Game Council note this report for their information

Glenn Maclean

Regional Manager

12 March 2018





# Taranaki Fish & Game Council

## Fish Licence Sales report to 6 March 2018

2016 - 2017 Channel	FWF	FWA	FWNA	FSLA	FLAA	FWJ	FWNJ	FLBA	FSBA	FDA	FDJ	Total	Fish LEQ	Total Value
Agency Online	65	252	25	36	10	20	0	2	24	88	6	528		
Eyede Call Centre	0	1	0	0	0	2	0	0	1	0	0	4		
Public Online	54	145	25	8	11	13	0	3	17	82	10	368		
Retail Book	9	30	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	9	7	59		
<b>Total</b>	<b>128</b>	<b>428</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>44</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>42</b>	<b>179</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>959</b>	<b>755</b>	<b>\$82,068.00</b>

2017 - 2018 Channel	FWF	FWA	FWNA	FSLA	FLAA	FWJ	FWNJ	FLBA	FSBA	FDA	FDJ	Total	Fish LEQ	Total Value
Agency Online	62	269	21	44	12	35	0	2	26	77	11	559		
Eyede Call Centre	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1		
Public Online	54	170	35	10	15	24	1	2	17	111	4	443		
Retail Book	4	16	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	23		
<b>Total</b>	<b>120</b>	<b>455</b>	<b>56</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>188</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>1,026</b>	<b>796</b>	<b>\$87,943.00</b>

key	Differences	-8	27	6	11	6	23	1	-1	1	9	-8	67	41	5,875	7.16%
Family													6.99%	5.43%		
Adult Whole Season																
Non Resident																
Non Resident Junior																
Loyal Senior																
Local Area																
Junior Whole Season																
Long Break (9 days)																
Short Break (3 days)																
Adult day																
Junior Day																

National Sales			
Total	Fish LEQ	Total Value	
2016 - 2017	92,423	70,448	7,657,426
2017 - 2018	92,779	70,217	7,754,415
Difference	356	-231	96,989
	0.38%	-0.32%	1.26%

**Recommendation: That the Fish Licences salest to 6 March 2018, with comparison to previous year, be received**



Taranaki Fish & Game Council  
Budget Report to 28 February 2018

And  
Project Progress to 9 March 2018

OUTPUT	Budget external costs	YTD external costs (31/12/17)	Comments on significant variations	Budget Hours	YTD hours
Population Monitoring	7,800	1,546	Banding & aerial count costs still to come	470	360.75
Harvest Assessment	3,050			50	5
Hatchery	8,000	3,094		85	14.5
Liberations	5,500	15,896	This includes the Patea releases expenses offset by the income shown on the next page	110	127
Season Regulations				30	30.75
Gamebird Dispersal	1,500	1,337	Includes a new gas gun	120	76
RMA	100			500	102.5
Habitat Management & Enhancement	15,600	7,111	12.5k committed	400	116
Hunter / Angler Access	3,200			100	18.5
Satisfaction Survey	300			10	25
Magazine / Newsletter / Ezine	6,800	1,792		140	45.75
Other Publications	1,500			30	9
Clubs	300	300		10	7.25
Statutory Liaison				30	3.75
Iwi Liaison				40	13
General Advocacy	3,000			320	98
Information to licence holders					
Hunting & Angling Promotions	2,000	1,966		30	83.5
Ranger Management	1,500	484		112	42.25
Compliance				170	39.75
Licensing & Commission	9,785	3,998		80	15.5
Council Meetings & Administration	10,500	7,104		180	127
Management, Strategic & Policy					16
Business Planning				40	5.5
OSH & Other Reporting	7,200	5,781		55	9.25
National Liaison	100			160	44.25
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>87,735</b>	<b>50,409</b>		<b>3,312</b>	<b>1,406.5</b>

	Budget Income	YTD Income
<b>Project Income</b>		
Harvest Assessment	500	39
Liberations	2,000	12,180 This includes Patea money from Trustpower
Gamebird Dispersal	500	440
Compliance		-
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>3,000</b>	<b>12,659</b>
<b>Net Expenditure</b>	<b>84,735</b>	<b>37,750</b>

	Budget	YTD
<b>Overheads</b>		
1910 Salaries & Management Contract	234,623	127,690
1920 Staff Expenses	2,700	797
1940 Office Premises	19,759	15,294
1950 Office Equipment	3,000	410
1960 Communications / Consumables	9,575	4,647
1970 General	2,350	3,000
1980 General Equipment	800	292
1990 Vehicles	16,200	9,677
<b>Total Overheads</b>	<b>275,007</b>	<b>161,807</b>

	Budget	YTD
<b>Other Income &amp; Expenses</b>		
Interest	15,848	6,779
Wellington Fish & Game Admin	7,000	3,205
Donation		62
<b>Total Other Income &amp; Expenses</b>	<b>22,848</b>	<b>10,046</b>

	Budget	YTD
<b>Nett Project, Overhead and Other Expenditure/Income</b>	<b>336,894</b>	<b>189,511 (56%)</b>

## SPECIES MANAGEMENT

2017/2018 Annual Plan – Planned Result	Progress to date
<p><b><u>Fish Population assessment</u></b></p> <p>1. Report to Council detailing the status of the sports fish population and implications for management by 31 August 2018.</p> <p>2. Baseline trout population information obtained and reported for the Manganuioteao River (year 2 of 2).</p> <p>3. Opportunities to enhance the Timaru Stream fishery investigated and reported to Council</p>	<p><i>Taranaki trout spawning survey data was provided to Wellington F&amp;G for modelling purposes.</i></p> <p><i>Developed plan and carried out 4-6 December 2017 electric fishing survey of the Manganuioteao River catchment. Report completed and summary presented to March 2018 Council meeting.</i></p>
<p><b><u>Gamebird population Assessment</u></b></p> <p>1. Presentation to the Council detailing population status and implications for management of the region's black swan and paradise shelduck populations. The report to be presented to Council at its first planned meeting in 2018.</p> <p>2. Study initiated into the movements of mallards between the Taranaki high country and coastal regions and the implications for long-term monitoring programme.</p> <p>3. Mallard monitoring protocol based around banding in the Waimarino Region and aerial counts on the Taranaki ring plain implemented and the second year's results reported to Council</p> <p>4. Pukeko Counts conducted in April and shoveler duck counts in August. Analysis presented to Council by 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017 as part of the Draft Game Gazette notice.</p>	<p><i>January 2018 trend counts were carried out for paradise shelduck &amp; black swan and a report prepared for Council's 10<sup>th</sup> February 2018 meeting.</i></p> <p><i>Finalised 2017 band return details.</i></p> <p><i>Manager obtained L2 certification. Banded 248 ducks (plus 2 recaptures) at 4 sites in the Waimarino and entered data.</i></p> <p><i>Agenda item prepared for December 2017 meeting.</i></p>
<p><b><u>National Hunter Survey</u></b></p> <p>1. Full participation in Fish &amp; Game New Zealand's national hunter harvest survey during the 2018 game season, and including recording of banded birds shot.</p> <p>2. Hunter survey results for 2017 game season included in analysis presented to Council by 31<sup>st</sup> December 2017 as part of draft Game Gazette Notice.</p>	<p><i>Results included in agenda item prepared for December 2017 meeting.</i></p>
<p><b><u>Special Gamebird Season</u></b></p> <p>1. The co-ordination of a 2-weekend special game bird hunting season for paradise shelduck in Area C.</p> <p>2. Presentation to Council by 31 August 2018 of the</p>	<p><i>Printed &amp; distributed permits to licence agents &amp; F&amp;G Offices. Season advertised in the Taranaki Daily News (10.02.2018). Issued permits &amp; responded to queries from licence holders.</i></p>

<p>results of the 2018 Special Game Bird Season.</p> <p>3. When appropriate promote the use of recreational hunters to landowners with paradise duck problems.</p>	
<p><b>Hatchery</b></p> <p>1. To have reared 3,000 healthy trout (fingerling, yearling and two year old) consistent with identified needs at the Hawera hatchery</p> <p>2. Trial rearing 300 2-year old trout for Stratford Fishing Day.</p> <p>3. Complete review of hatchery requirements and options to meet these and report to Council.</p>	<p><i>While there was a good hatch of the 3,500 rainbow ova received in July 2017, a faulty tap on one of the fry troughs resulted in approx. one third of the fry dying on 20.10.2017. On 27.10.2017 the hatchery team leader noticed that boards on the dam spillway were failing, but quick remedial action by Silver Fern Farms prevented any loss of water supply to the hatchery.</i></p> <p><i>The largest 290 rainbow trout were separated out (09.10.2017 &amp; 19.10.2017) to maximise their growth for the Stratford Fishing Day.</i></p>
<p><b>Trout Liberations</b></p> <p>1. Release of 3,000 healthy trout into lakes and rivers where the species already exists and release is appropriate, these releases reported to Council by 31 August 2018.</p> <p>2. Release of up to 900 healthy two year old rainbow trout into approved waters to provide immediate angling opportunity.</p> <p>3. Complete year 3 year study into the value of stocking specific streams and report to Council with recommendations.</p>	<p><i>Rainbow trout yearlings were released into Lakes Mangamahoe (100) and Rotomanu (50) on 20.09.2017. The Stony River received a release of 65 rainbow yearlings on 14.11.2017. Namunamu release completed 19.10.2017 after delays due to wet weather. Trustpower funded the release of 1,000 tagged yearling brown trout and 500 tagged yearling rainbow trout into the lower Patea River on 02.11.2017, with liberation report produced for Trustpower. A total of 290 17-month rainbow trout were successfully transferred from the Hawera hatchery to the Stratford scout den pool (Patea River) on 08.12.2017</i></p> <p><i>500 2-year rainbows from the Eastern Region were liberated into Lake Rotomanu (250) and Opunake Lake (250) on 17.10.2017 for kids' trout fishing events. 100 2-year rainbows from DOC Turangi were released into Sattlers Dam on 16.02.2018</i></p> <p><i>Year 3 diaries were prepared and distributed to participating anglers. Provided Cawthron with recent release information as part of National review of stocking practices. Followed up on Councillor Karalus's initial</i></p>

	<i>contact re. stocking Hawera pond.</i>
<p><b><u>Keep &amp; Release Approvals</u></b></p> <p>1. Provision of advice as required on proposals to keep, rear or release game birds and to keep of release sports fish. Recommendations made to DOC on the issue of such permits.</p> <p>2. Liaison with F&amp;G National Office regarding streamlining the process for application and approval to rear and release gamebirds.</p>	<p><i>An inquiry was received regarding the release of brown trout into a private lake (11.09.2017).</i></p> <p><i>Prepared agenda paper on captive reared mallards for February 2018 meeting.</i></p>
<p><b><u>Season Regulations</u></b></p> <p>1. Draft recommendations and supporting information regarding the 2018 gamebird hunting conditions and 2019 Special Season conditions provided to Council for the December 2017 meeting.</p> <p>2. Council's recommendations for 2018 game bird hunting season conditions are accurately incorporated into the 2018 Game Gazette Notice and supporting information.</p> <p>3. Recommendations and supporting information regarding the 2018/19 sports fishing conditions provided to Council for the June 2018 meeting.</p> <p>4. Council's recommendations for 2018/2019 sports fishing conditions are accurately incorporated into the 2018 Anglers' Notice and supporting information</p>	<p><i>Agenda paper prepared for December 2017 and February 2018 meetings</i></p> <p><i>Reviewed draft gazette notice and 2018 game booklet</i></p>
<p><b><u>Gamebird Dispersal</u></b></p> <p>1. Proactively assist with the dispersal of unwanted congregations of game birds that are notified to the Council throughout the year</p>	<p><i>To date, 45 permits have been issued;</i>  <i>22 include Pukeko</i>  <i>20 include Paradise Shelduck</i>  <i>8 include Mallard.</i>  <i>30 Rural</i>  <i>15 Urban</i></p> <p><i>Information was provided to members of the public about dispersing mallard ducks (18.09.2017) and rock pigeons.</i>  <i>Advice provided to stock feed company re managing problem aggregations of mallards</i></p> <p><i>Placed ad in NZ Dairy newspaper re contacting F&amp;G for help</i></p>

## **HABITAT PROTECTION & MANAGEMENT**

<p><b><u>Resource Management Act</u></b></p> <p>1. Make effective submissions on resource consent applications and statutory plan proposals to best achieve sports fish and game bird habitat protection</p>	<p><i>TRC Officers Reports for the Fonterra Whareroa water take and sediment discharge consent renewals were reviewed</i></p>
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and enhancement and / or to maintain or enhance hunting or angling access and opportunity.

*and final signoff given (03.10.2017). There was liaison with STDC regarding a resource consent application for a quarry adjacent to Okahu Stream. The application was judged to be inadequate and returned to the supplicant (01.09.2017)*

*Non-notified approval was given for a change to consent conditions for Civil Quarries Everett Road quarry to allow an increase in the rate of storm water discharge following events that resulted in more than 7.5mm of rain in 30 minutes (24.10.2017).*

*Non-notified approval was given (14.12.2017) to DH Lepper Trust for removal of the 100gm<sup>-3</sup> suspended solids condition from a piggery treated wastewater discharge consent to Waiongana River during high flow conditions.*

*Pre-application discussions with consultants were held regarding:*

- *STDC water takes from Otakeho Stream & Waingongoro River (written comments provided 17&18 January 2018). A site visit was made with STDC staff and John Hooker (Ngaruahine) to the Waingongoro Eltham supply water intake and treatment plant on 15.02.2018;*
- *Pastoral irrigation takes from Punehu, Ouri and Taungatara Streams (written comments provided 17.01.2018). On-site meetings and discussions with the applicants and their consultant were attended on 13.02.2018;*
- *A pastoral irrigation take from Oeo Stream (18.12.2017).*
- *Renewal of consent for the Fire Training Centre at Maui Production Station to discharge treated storm water to Oaonui Stream.*

*There was discussion with the TRC regarding Council's submission to the Proposed Regional Pest Management Plan and Biosecurity Strategy (22.09.2017).*

*The NPDC weir on Mangorei Stream was visited (07.11.2017) and a recommendation made that it should be removed.*

*A site visit was made with Downer & TRC staff to view flood damage to the SH3 Kent Road and Mangamahoe Stream culverts and sedimentation of the head of Lake*



2. Engage in and actively advocate for protection and/or enhancement of sports fish and gamebird

*Mangamahoe (01.09.2017).*

*Trustpower's upper catchment 6-year monitoring and Patea dam trap & transfer reports were reviewed (11.10.2017) and it was recommended that upper catchment monitoring be repeated in another 6 years. A TrustPower Patea HEPS stakeholder meeting was attended (16.12.2017). There was liaison with TRC staff regarding identification of farm culverts that restrict fish passage, so that remedial action can be undertaken.*

*A meeting with Office of the Auditor General staff was attended (along with Fed Farmers & NPDC & SDC reps.) to provide feedback on progress the TRC has made since 2011 in managing impacts on freshwater quality (15.11.2017).*

*A meeting was attended with STDC, Nga Rauru & DOC (25.01.2018) to discuss the MOU for the Waverley Wastewater Working Party.*

*A site visit was made (12.12.2017) to inspect shot-creting remedial works being undertaken to the Stony River SH45 Bridge abutments. Dirty water being pumped from inside the TRB bund directly into the river was reported to TRC and the discharge was subsequently diverted to land (as the 2014 application for consent stated that it would be).*

*Provided advice to landowner re concerns over stream piping at Raurimu.*

*Applications by NZTA for the Mt. Messenger bypass were reviewed, but no submission made.*

*Comments on the draft NP District Plan were provided to NPDC on 08.03.2018.*

*A request by Stratford District Council to put their application to discharge treated wastewater from the town oxy ponds to the Patea River on hold for another 12 months while additional monitoring is carried out was agreed to on 09.03.2018 (F&G originally submitted on this application on 28.07.16).*

*Two angler complaints of actual or potential stream pollution were forwarded to the TRC (15 & 16.02.2018) and followed up with TRC compliance officers.*

*Provided comments on draft F&G position on*

<p>habitat in the Taranaki Freshwater Plan Review process.</p> <p>3. Complete strategic review of how Council best engages in RMA processes to achieve habitat and wider outcomes with available resources.</p>	<p><i>NPS freshwater</i></p>
<p><b><u>Sports Fish Habitat Enhancement</u></b></p> <p>1. Provision of advice and promotion of effective management of riparian land margins throughout the region.</p> <p>2. Take opportunities to advocate for maintenance of flows to protect fishery values in recognised trout streams.</p> <p>3. Undertake and assist with efforts to keep Didymo and other aquatic threats out of the Taranaki Fish &amp; Game Region.</p>	<p><i>Inspected properties and gave advice to two landowners outside the region.</i></p> <p><i>Met with Horizons R.C to plan summer work programme for Manganuioteao Riparian project and the options for following years</i></p> <p><i>Met with Horizons R.C to discuss Orautoha Stream monitoring and sediment management</i></p> <p><i>Liaised with the TRC summer CCD advocate and organised their attendance at the Stratford kids' trout fishing day.</i></p>

<p><b><u>Gamebird Habitat Enhancement</u></b></p> <p>1. Provision of advice to licence holders and landholders regarding the enhancement of game bird habitat and predator control.</p> <p>2. Provision of information and advice to applicants for GBHTB grants. Act where necessary as referees for projects and monitor the implementation of successful applicants to ensure works are carried out to the agreed standard.</p> <p>3. Promote the need for and provide advice regarding predator control programmes and any other outcomes from the Mallard Research project.</p> <p>4. Explore options for a wider Nukumaru conservation area involving the respective landowners and agencies.</p>	<p><i>Liaised with hunter who is producing duck hen houses for sale with 50% of profits going to the GBHTB. Visited (12.12.2017) &amp; provided advice on replacing a leaky outlet structure on a QEII wetland in the Mangorei area. Made site visits to 2 wetland projects in the Toko &amp; Tututawa areas (21.12.2017). Made site visit &amp; provided advice to landowner on dam repair for Frankley Rd wetland. Referred owner of NP urban wetland to TRC for pest control plan. Met with Whanganui landowner re potential predator control and habitat management project in association with Horizons R.C</i></p> <p><i>The Hayward wetland owners have carried out most of the agreed works, but decided not to uplift their GBHTB grant.</i></p> <p><i>Undertook trial to identify predators around a wetland complex using game cameras</i></p>
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<p><b>Hunting &amp; Habitat Scheme</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Actively promote the Hunting &amp; Habitat Scheme to regional licence holders and landowners including through site visits, regional newspapers, newsletters and other media.</li> <li>2. Provide support for applications to H&amp;HS including advice on design and construction and on-site assistance to create high quality wetlands and hunting opportunities.</li> <li>3. Identify and actively pursue suitable opportunities for development of council owned wetlands.</li> </ol>	<p><i>Met with new South Taranaki QEII Rep. Jake Goonan (09.03.2018) to discuss potential wetland projects.</i></p> <p><i>Developed water control design with Councillor Nancarrow and placed order for two structures. Liaised with 3 successful applicants re work plans for this autumn. The regular heavy rain is preventing areas drying out sufficiently to use heavy machinery.</i></p>
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**PARTICIPATION AND SATISFACTION OF ANGLERS AND HUNTERS**

<p><b>Angler Access</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Resolution of how best to provide access information to licence holders.</li> <li>2. Production of updated Waimarino access pamphlet.</li> <li>3. Production of an updated Taranaki Ringplain brochure to reflect the new regulations (year 1 of 2)</li> <li>4. Implement any identified opportunities for increased angling access around Lake Mangamahoe and design and erect angling information signs that are consistent with the signs policy.</li> <li>5. Replace / erect new signs consistent with priorities and needs identified in 2017.</li> <li>6. Liaison with the Walking Access Commission to identify potential improvements in public access.</li> </ol>	<p><i>Approval obtained from Trustpower (10.10.2017) and NPDC (30.10.2017) to construct an additional casting platform at Lake Mangamahoe. Confirmed (25.10.2017) that the structure would meet the permitted activity requirements of the TRC's Freshwater Plan (Rule 61).</i></p> <p><i>Angler regulation signs removed from Kapuni &amp; Kaiauai Streams (19.10.2017). Designed draft sign for Trustpower re Patea trout release trial.</i></p> <p><i>Met with Walking Access representative along with representative of potential owner of several forests re game bird hunting access</i></p>
<p><b>Hunter Access / Opportunities</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Negotiate, allocate and issue access permits to publicly available hunting areas for the 2018 game bird season.</li> <li>2. Actively seek and develop opportunities for gamebird hunter access.</li> </ol>	<p><i>Provided recommendation to DOC for the renewal of permits for 3 hunters to hunt in the Looney's Lake Conservation Covenant (16.01.2018) &amp; one hunter to hunt in the Te Morere Reserve (02.02.2018).</i></p> <p><i>Met with potential forest owner re access opportunities.</i></p>

<p>3. Refine mentoring programme for new or young shooters utilising Hawkens Wetland and any other identified opportunities.</p> <p>4. Review criteria / policy to rear and release upland game and provide recommendations to Council.</p>	<p><i>Met with Gary Hawkens re direction for this programme and also other potential opportunities</i></p>
<p><b><u>Licence Holder satisfaction Survey</u></b></p> <p>1. Implement a survey of angler success and satisfaction for key fisheries in the region as identified in 2014/2015 National Angler Survey or by other needs.</p> <p>2. Survey and report to Council on the aspirations of Upland Gamebird hunters</p>	<p><i>Diary scheme implemented for major rivers and lakes around the region</i></p>
<p><b><u>Fish &amp; Game Magazine</u></b></p> <p>1. Provide a regional supplement in each of the two special editions of fish &amp; Game Magazine to be published during the reporting year.</p>	<p><i>2-page supplement prepared for the 2018 game special issue, layout reviewed and signed off.</i></p>
<p><b><u>Regional Newsletter</u></b></p> <p>1. Publication of a Hunting and a Fishing Newsletter for regional licence holders and hunting landowners.</p>	<p><i>Regional fishing newsletter articles prepared and newsletter posted to licence holders on 13<sup>th</sup> December 2017.</i></p>
<p><b><u>Regional Fish &amp; Game Web Site</u></b></p> <p>1. Publication of information, material and articles of interest to hunters and anglers on the regional pages of the Fish &amp; Game web site. Update of existing pages when new platform is available and thereafter information is regularly updated and easy to find and read.</p> <p>2. Develop local facebook page or in association with National Office.</p> <p>2. The production of at least 6 Reel Life articles and 2 Both Barrels articles.</p>	<p><i>An article promoting the Rotomanu &amp; Opunake Lake kids' trout fishing days was added to the website on 11.10.2017. Lake Namunamu information updated. Links to local angling information resolved so it is easier to find. Introductory text updated</i></p> <p><i>Reel Life articles produced on 25.09.2017, 20.10.2017, 17.11.2017, 19.12.2017, 24.01.2018 &amp; 19.02.2018.</i></p>
<p><b><u>Club Visits</u></b></p> <p>1. Council representation at recreational hunting and fishing club meetings across the region.</p>	<p><i>Staff attended 3 meetings of the Inglewood, Rod, Gun &amp; Recreation Club (19.09.2017; trout weigh-in 01.10.2017; "big – 4" weigh-in 23.10.2017).</i></p>

**PUBLIC INTERFACE**

<p><b><u>Liaison</u></b></p> <p>1. Liaison with Department of Conservation and Conservation Boards and where appropriate attend Conservation Board meetings within the Taranaki Fish &amp; Game Region.</p>	<p><i>There was liaison with DOC regarding the NPDC's Mangorei Stream weir (07.11.2017).</i></p>
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<p>2. Where possible proactively engage and work co-operatively with Regional and District Councils, other organisations and groups and the rural community.</p>	<p><i>Attended meeting of Nga ora o te Whangaheu</i></p>
<p><b><u>Iwi Liaison</u></b></p> <p>1. Proactively engage and work with Iwi within the region on matters of mutual interest, concern and benefit.</p>	<p><i>There was liaison with Te Atiawa (Sera Gibson) regarding Civil Quarries consenting. There was liaison with Te Korowai o Ngaruahine Trust (Louise Tester) and Te Kahui o Taranaki Iwi (Puna Wano-Bryant) regarding irrigation consents for the Taungatara, Punehu &amp; Ouri Streams (22.01.2018).</i></p> <p><i>There was liaison with Ngaruahine regarding an Oeo Stream irrigation take and the STDC's Eltham water supply take from the Waingongoro River.</i></p> <p><i>The Chairman and/or staff were invited to the Taranaki Maunga signing at Parliament on 20.12.2017, but unfortunately were unable to attend. The SFO attended a Taranaki Maunga update meeting in New Plymouth with the Office of Treaty Settlements (09.03.2018).</i></p> <p><i>Met with students researching Te awa Tupua Strategy Group. Agreement received from Auckland/ Waikato for Manager to represent F&amp;G on this Group.</i></p>
<p><b><u>Advocacy</u></b></p> <p>1. Promote the protection of freshwater, wetland and upland game habitats and the wider benefits of this.</p> <p>2. Represent the interests of anglers and hunters, and promote the validity of fishing and gamebird hunting.</p>	<p><i>The SFO attended 4 meetings of the Taranaki Biodiversity Trust (WfT) including the AGM and Restore Taranaki workshop. The SFO has retired from the WfT Board by rotation and did not seek re-election.</i></p> <p><i>A talk on freshwater sports fishing and environmental protection was given to the Westtown Scout Group (15.11.2017).</i></p> <p><i>Staff &amp; the Chairman attended the TRC Environmental Awards (09.11.2017) where the SFO was awarded Action in the Community Award.</i></p> <p><i>The SFO helped with a WfT World Wetlands Day promotion at PukeAriki (03.02.2018).</i></p> <p><i>A letter of support was prepared for a WfT funding application (14.02.2018).</i></p>

<p><b><u>Information to licence holders including hunting &amp; angling promotions</u></b></p> <p>1. Support trout fishing events, using liberations of 2 year old rainbow trout, to encourage participation and family involvement.</p> <p>2. Production of Regional Stillwater Sports Fisheries pamphlet with an emphasis on perch (year 2 of 2)</p> <p>3. Develop displays that promote local fishing and hunting opportunities in association with National Office.</p>	<p><i>Kids' trout fishing events were held at Lake Rotomanu (120 kids) and Opunake Lake (70 kids) on 28.10.2017 and at the Stratford scout den pool on the Patea River (113 kids; 09.12.2017). A TET funding application for the Stratford kids' trout fishing event was successful.</i></p> <p><i>100 trout released in Sattlers Dam and press release in Ruapehu Bulletin</i></p>
<p>1. Production of pamphlet "Introduction to Pheasant Hunting in the Taranaki Region".</p> <p>2. Provide timely and useful information to licence holders when requested. Proactively utilise opportunities such as newspapers, website and public events to make information available.</p> <p>3. Opportunities for publicity on angling and hunting are taken and copies of coverage reported to Council.</p>	<p><i>Written &amp; verbal information was provided to licence holders on request</i></p> <p><i>Information provided to Andy Tannock to assist his article in H&amp;F catalogue.</i></p> <p><i>2017 fish season opening articles were provided to the North Taranaki Midweek, Stratford Press, South Taranaki Star, Opunake &amp; Coastal News, Taranaki Daily News and Ruapehu Bulletin. Kids' fishing day articles were provided to 3 newspapers and promoted via More FM and the Taranaki Hunting &amp; Fishing facebook page. There was liaison with the Daily News regarding the TRC 2017 Environmental Awards. Articles were provided to the Stratford Press (3), South Taranaki Star (2) &amp; Daily News for the Stratford kids' trout fishing event. There was very good post event coverage in the Stratford Press &amp; South Taranaki Star. Information was provided to the Daily News for an article on low stream flows in Taranaki (29.12.2017).</i></p> <p><i>Articles on the 2018 parry season were provided to the Stratford Press, South Taranaki Star, North Taranaki Midweek and Daily News. Articles appeared in the Star and NZ Herald (Country).</i></p> <p><i>Article produced for summer holiday issue of</i></p>

	<i>Ruapehu Bulletin. Filmed clip on correctly handling trout for Pure Fly tv programme.</i>
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## COMPLIANCE

<p><b>Ranger Management and Training</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. The recruitment, training and skill maintenance of Council's Honorary ranger team is consistent with the Compliance Policy and Strategy.</li> <li>2. Provision of safety and compliance training and maintenance of compliance skills is provided on at least two occasions during the year.</li> <li>3. Comprehensive report detailing compliance activities including ranger management and results over the year presented to Council by 31 August 2018.</li> </ol>	<p><i>Two new warrants issued and two other initial warrants renewed.</i></p> <p><i>A 1-day Ranger training refresher was held on 09.09.2017, attended by 10 Rangers &amp; 2 staff. 2 rangers completed CERT refresher training in Rotorua.</i></p>
<p><b>Compliance</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Compliance checks and any prosecutions are completed consistent with the Compliance Policy and strategy and also the Reparation Policy.</li> </ol>	<p><i>Ranging was organised for the opening of the 2017 trout season and following kids' trout fishing events. Ranging also undertaken over Labour Weekend and Xmas holidays &amp; during the 2018 parry season. Additional Ranging carried out at Lake Mangamahoe following reports of people spin fishing.</i></p> <p><i>Met with NZ Police and organised to undertake joint ranging operation on Opening Weekend 2018</i></p>

## LICENCING AND AGENTS

<p><b>Licences</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Hunters and anglers are aware of and can quickly and easily buy their licences on line.</li> <li>2. Progress reporting on licence sales provided to Council throughout the year.</li> </ol>	
<p><b>Licence Agents</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Successfully manage the transition to on-line sales through provision of ready support and assistance to agents.</li> <li>2. An effective solution is in place that allows hunters to easily buy licences where on-line facilities are not available.</li> <li>3. Agents are fully aware of and are familiar with the new licence categories and able to appropriately advise the buyer.</li> </ol>	<p><i>New owners of Magnum Sports set up to make on-line licence sales and familiarised with licence categories available.</i></p>

## COUNCIL

<p>1. Not less than six meetings of the Council that comply with all legal requirements to be held before 31 August 2018.</p> <p>2. Council Elections are conducted in an effective, appropriate and timely manner and the new Council provided with familiarisation and governance training as required.</p>	<p><i>Staff attended Council meetings on 14.10.2017, 02.12.2017 &amp; 10.02.2018.</i></p>
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## PLANNING AND REPORTING

<p><b>Management Planning</b></p> <p>1. Regional policies are developed and adopted when required.</p> <p>2. The 5 year strategic plan is reviewed and agreed by Council by March 2018.</p>	<p><i>Agenda item for February 18 meeting, draft agreed and final Plan produced</i></p>
<p><b>Staff Management</b></p> <p>1. Effective management of staff and administration of Council.</p>	<p><i>Staff performance reviews completed.</i></p>
<p><b>Administrative Support</b></p> <p>1. Implement review outcomes re computing requirements including file storage sharing.</p> <p>2. Implement any outcomes of National Council financial review.</p>	
<p><b>Annual Planning</b></p> <p>1. Adoption of a proposed Annual Budget and Operational Work Plan for 2018/2019 by the Council by 31 August 2018.</p>	<p><i>Draft 2018/19 annual plan prepared for March 2018 Council meeting</i></p>
<p><b>Annual Reporting</b></p> <p>The adoption and presentation by the Council at a public annual general meeting of its audited annual report for 2016/2017 not later than 31 December 2017, and dispatched to the Minister directly thereafter.</p>	<p><i>Finalised 2016/17 accounts and completed draft Performance Report. 2017/18 Performance report adopted by Council at its AGM 2.12.17, dispatched to the Minister 5.12.17.</i></p>
<p><b>Regional and National Liaison</b></p> <p>1. Discussion undertaken with Wellington and Auckland/Waikato Fish &amp; Game regions re consistency with gamebird regulations.</p> <p>2. Effective communication with other regional managers and input and valued comment on issues affecting Fish &amp; Game and sports fish and game bird management.</p>	<p><i>Liaison with Wellington and Northland regions over mag extensions and paradise Special season regulations. Provided information &amp; advice to F&amp;G Hawkes Bay on pukeko monitoring.</i></p> <p><i>Liaison with National CLE co-ordinator over training and reparation policy. Commented on all National RMA applications</i></p>



<p>1. Representation to New Zealand Fish and Game Council by 31 August 2018, of the Council's recommendations for licence fees, fund redistribution, research requirements, and national policy development.</p>	<p><i>National CRMs and Salmon Committee agenda papers prepared for February 18 meeting</i></p>
<p>2. Representation at the Fish &amp; Game New Zealand Regional Managers meetings.</p>	<p><i>Attended 2 day February meeting</i></p>
<p>3. Effective communications with NZC staff and comment provided on Fish &amp; Game issues when requested.</p>	<p><i>Provided comment re camouflaged boat regulations and also possible changes to the Gamebird regulation booklet</i></p>

**STAFF CO-ORDINATION AND TRAINING**

<p><b><u>Staff Communication</u></b> Regular staff meetings and/or phone conferences to share information such that all staff are aware of what is generally occurring, and where appropriate have ready opportunity for input into decisions and management direction.</p>	
<p><b><u>Staff Training</u></b> Staff training identified in performance review process is planned and undertaken.</p>	<p><i>The SFO attended a 4-day NZ Freshwater Sciences Society conference in Hamilton (20-23 November 2017).</i></p>
<p><b><u>Accommodation</u></b> Review of options for New Plymouth and Whanganui offices are completed and decision made by Council as to best solution for the medium term.</p>	<p><i>Decision to shift the New Plymouth office made by Council on 14.10.2017. Agreement to Lease agreed and Exceptional Funding bid prepared &amp; accepted. Office shift completed on 31.01.2018. Building signage in preparation. Renewal of Whanganui office lease completed</i></p>
<p><b><u>OSH</u></b> 1. All processes and activities are consistent with Council Health &amp; Safety Policy and hazard control plans, reviews and audits occur as scheduled, all necessary equipment and training is provided and new hazards are identified and addressed appropriately. 2. All accidents are reported and recorded in the accident register, investigations completed and any identified actions implemented and reported to Council at the next meeting 3. Hazard Control Plans are identified and developed / amended for any new activity. 4. An annual review of Health and Safety Management is completed in September 2017 and</p>	<p><i>Reported in separate agenda paper</i>         <i>Reported to October 2017 Council meeting</i></p>

<p>reported to Council.</p> <p>5. Compliance with HSAW requirements and policy and any issues identified are reported to each meeting of Council.</p> <p>6. Two monthly staff meetings which include a specific agenda item to discuss HSAW are held.</p> <p>7. Staff are actively involved in implementing HSAW policy and ensuring safe workplace.</p>	<p><i>Staff meetings held on 28.09.2017, 17.11.2017, 31.1.2018 &amp; 13.3.2018</i></p>
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**Recommendation**

That the Budget Report to 28 February 2018 and Project Progress Report to 9 March 2018 be received.

## **TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL**

The Chairman  
Taranaki Fish and Game Council

### **Financial Reports to 28<sup>th</sup> February 2018**

Please find attached the following reports YTD Balance Sheet and YTD Profit & Loss

1. Profit & Loss 1 September 2017 to 28<sup>th</sup> February 2018
2. Balance Sheet 1 September 2017 to 28<sup>th</sup> February 2018
3. BNZ Statement of Accounts as at 28<sup>th</sup> February 2018

### **RECOMMENDATION**

That Profit & Loss and Balance Sheet to 28 February 2018, be received.

Jilli Steedman  
SECRETARY  
14 March 2018

# Profit & Loss

## Taranaki Fish and Game Council 1 September 2017 to 28 February 2018

28 Feb 18

### Income

Contracts	3,441
Fish Licence Sales 2016-2017	2,623
Fish Licence Sales 2016-2017 Agent	4,337
Fish Licence Sales 2017/2018	34,557
Fish Licence Sales 2017-2018 Agent	50,333
Game Licence Sales 2017 Agent	(72)
Gas Gun Rental	440
Grants Received	87,660
Interest Income	6,768
Interest Income MRP	11
Kid's Fishing Days	1,180
Summer Season permit sales	39
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>191,317</b>

### Gross Profit

191,317

### Plus Other Income

Donations	62
Liberations - Other	11,000
<b>Total Other Income</b>	<b>11,062</b>

### Less Operating Expenses

ACC Levy	152
Angling promotions	701
Audit	5,620
Bank Charges	45
Cleaning Administration Building	689
Clubs	300
Commission on Sales	2,292
Council Catering	4,341
Council Meeting Expenses	507
Council Travel	2,176
Council Venue hire	80
Equipment Maintenance	410
Eyede Charges - Inc GST	79
Eyede Charges No GST	752
Field Equip -Purchases (Under \$2,000)	184
Field Equipment Maintenance	108
Fish Food Costs	398
Fish Population Monitoring	165
Gamebird Dispersal	1,337
Gamebird Habitat Management & Enhancement	4,841
Gamebird Population Monitoring	1,381
Hatchery	1,880

# Profit & Loss

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	<b>28 Feb 18</b>
Hatchery Insurance	613
Hatchery Power	203
Hunting & Angling Promotions	1,265
Insurance - General	2,498
Kids Fishing Days	5,089
Licence Agents	876
Management Contract	50,000
Manganuioteao River Riparian Project Expenses	260
Office General (was Petty cash)	129
Office Premises Rent	14,144
Other Liberations	10,807
Other Reporting / OSH	161
Photocopying	17
Polaris side x side	581
Postage	904
Power Administration Building	371
Ranger Catering & Travel	384
Ranger Training	100
Regional Newsletter	1,792
Salaries	46,764
Security	90
Sports Fish Habitat Management & Enhancement	1,510
Staff Expenses	62
Staff Training	583
Stationery	338
Subscriptions	328
Taranaki Hunting & Habitat Project	500
Telephone/fax	3,388
Trailer - Hatchery	214
Trailer - Side X Side	98
Vehicle Fuel & RUC	4,941
Vehicle Insurance	1,920
Vehicle Maintenance	1,764
Vehicle Registration (1995)	159
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>181,292</b>
<b>Net Profit</b>	<b>21,088</b>

# Balance Sheet

## Taranaki Fish and Game Council As at 28 February 2018

28 Feb 2018

### Assets

#### Bank

BNZ Current Account	62,018
BNZ Term 3031	421,626
MRP	23,259
<b>Total Bank</b>	<b>506,904</b>

#### Current Assets

Accounts Receivable	6,748
Prepayments and Accrued Income	6,343
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>13,090</b>

#### Fixed Assets

Accum Dep Vehicles	(36,120)
Accum Dep Buildings	(26,314)
Accum Dep Office Equipment	(16,551)
Accum Dep Plant & Equipment	(11,532)
Buildings	30,681
Office Equipment	23,328
Plant & Equipment	21,059
Vehicles	104,109
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>88,660</b>

<b>Total Assets</b>	<b>608,654</b>
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### Liabilities

#### Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable	20,001
Accruals and Prepaid Licences	6,463
BNZ Credit Card - Allen	322
BNZ Credit Card - Glenn M	440
GST	7,148
PAYE Clearing	(3,239)
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>31,136</b>

<b>Total Liabilities</b>	<b>31,136</b>
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<b>Net Assets</b>	<b>577,517</b>
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### Equity

Accumulated Funds	116,716
Asset Replacement Funding	16,744
Back Country Fisheries Reserve	3,992
Current Year Earnings	21,088
Fisheries Project	17,396
Hunting & Habitat Scheme	381,106

# Balance Sheet

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Manganuioteao River Riparian Project

28 Feb 2018

20,475

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**Total Equity**

**577,517**

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## Statement of Accounts as at 28 February 2018

### Your Accounts at a Glance

Account	Account Number	Maturity Date	Balance
Non Profit Org A/C	02-0792-0332133-000		62,018.35
MRP	02-0792-0332133-001		23,259.03

### Your Other Accounts at a Glance

Account	Account Number	Maturity Date	Balance
Term Deposit	36332133-03031	11 Mar 2018	421,626.21

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](http://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 14<sup>th</sup> March 2018.

### **RECOMMENDATION**

That Inwards and Outwards correspondence schedules to, 14<sup>th</sup> March 2018 as shown on pages 80 & 81 , be received.

Jilli Steedman  
SECRETARY  
14<sup>th</sup> March 2018

INWARDS CORRESPONDENCE

Corr No	Date	Meeting	FROM	FILE NO	Staff/Councillor	SUBJECT
1	1.2.18	Mar-18	Peter Wilson	4.5.2	Glenn	Engagement for planning services in 2018
2	5.2.18	Mar-18	Robert Sowman	4.5.1	Glenn	Letter to MOC on Infringement Fines
3	9.2.18	Mar-18	Denise Young NPDC	2.3.7	Allen	Priority Waterbodies table
4	12.2.18	Mar-18	Robert Sowman	4.5.1	Glenn Allen	2018 Game Notice
5	13.2.18	Mar-18	Suzanne Vennik NPDC	2.3.7	Allen	Mangorei Weir Fish Pass
6	13.2.18	Mar-18	Christine Bromell STDC	2.3.7	Allen	STDC resource consent applications
7	13.2.18	Mar-18	Taranaki Regional Council	1.1.7	Allen Glenn	Proposed compliance monitoring programme for 2018-2019
8	19.2.18	Mar-18	James Kitto TRC	2.3.5	Allen	Recreational water quality monitoring results 16.2.18
9	21.2.18	Mar-18	James Kitto TRC	2.3.5	Allen	Recreational water quality monitoring results 19.2.18
10	22.2.18	Mar-18	Northland F&G	4.5.2	Staff	New F&G field officer - John MacPherson
11	23.2.18	Mar-18	Kym Nairne	4.5.1	Staff	update on staff and emails at National Office
12	6.3.18	Mar-18	James Kitto TRC	2.3.5	Allen	Recreational water quality monitoring results 5.3.18
13	9.3.18	Mar-18	Victoria Araba SDC	2.3.7	Allen Glenn	Wastewater discharge to the Patea River
14	9.3.18	Mar-18	Colin McLellan TRC	2.3.5	Allen Glenn	Wastewater discharge to the Patea River - Timeframe extension
15	14.3.18	Mar-18	Jose Hortillosa STDC	2.3.7	Allen Glenn	Kelly's Creek - Pipeline Installation Consent
16	14.3.18	Mar-18	Otago Fish & Game	4.5.2	Staff	Otago F&G new chief executive - Ian Hadland

OUTWARDS CORRESPONDENCE

Corr No	Date	Meeting	TO	FILE NO	Staff/Councillor	SUBJECT
1	7.2.18	Mar-18	Ian McIntyre	1.2.11	Allen	Authority to disturb gamebirds
2	7.2.18	Mar-18	Brent Stevenson	1.2.11	Allen	Authority to disturb gamebirds
3	7.2.18	Mar-18	I & B Belcher	1.2.11	Allen	Authority to disturb gamebirds
4	9.2.18	Mar-18	Taranaki newspapers	3.2.4	Allen	Summer season article
5	11.2.18	Mar-18	Kingsley Young	1.2.11	Allen	Authority to disturb gamebirds
6	12.2.18	Mar-18	Paddy Walsh	1.2.11	Allen	Authority to disturb gamebirds
7	13.2.18	Mar-18	Wild for Taranaki	4.5.7	Allen Glenn	Support for Wild for Taranaki's funding application
8	14.2.18	Mar-18	Whanganui Police Station	3.7.1	Glenn	Opening weekend ranging
9	14.2.18	Mar-18	Barry Slyfield	1.2.11	Allen	Authority to disturb gamebirds
10	15.2.18	Mar-18	James Cookson TRC	2.3.5	Allen	Maketawa stream water quality
11	16.2.18	Mar-18	Gloria Kelly	1.2.11	Allen	Authority to disturb gamebirds
12	19.2.18	Mar-18	Grant Dyson	3.1.1	Allen Glenn	Reel Life article
13	27.2.18	Mar-18	Graham Hickey	1.2.11	Allen	Authority to disturb gamebirds
14	28.2.18	Mar-18	Paul MacKintosh	1.2.11	Glenn	Authority to disturb gamebirds
15	2.3.18	Mar-18	M & P Marsh	1.2.11	Allen	Authority to disturb gamebirds
16	2.3.18	Mar-18	Anna Bolger	1.2.11	Allen	Authority to disturb gamebirds
17	5.3.18	Mar-18	Monty Good	1.2.11	Allen	Authority to disturb gamebirds
18	8.3.18	Mar-18	Denise Young NPDC	2.3.5	Allen	Release of draft digital District Plan
19	13.3.18	Mar-18	Nathan Hyland	1.2.11	Glenn	Authority to disturb gamebirds
20	13.3.18	Mar-18	Richard Fleming	1.2.11	Allen	Authority to disturb gamebirds
21	14.3.18	Mar-18	Jose Hortillosa STDC	2.3.7	Allen	Kelly's Creed Pipe Installation consent

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