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PERFORMANCE REPORT OF THE

# Eastern Fish and Game Council

FOR THE YEAR ENDED  
AUGUST 31, 2020

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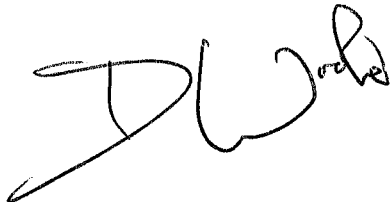
27 November 2020

Hon Kiri Allan  
Minister of Conservation  
Parliament Buildings  
**WELLINGTON**

Tena koe Minister

I have the honour to submit, pursuant to Section 26 X of the Conservation Act 1987, Section 45M of the Public Finance Amendment Act 2004, and 154 of the Crown Entities Act 2004 the Performance Report of the Eastern Fish and Game Council for the year ended 31 August 2020.

Naku noa

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'D Woolner', written in a cursive style.

**David Woolner**  
**Chairman**  
**Eastern Fish and Game Council**

## CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

*For the year ended 31 August 2020*

Tēnā koutou katoa

It is my pleasure to present the Annual Report for Eastern Region Fish and Game.

The 2019/20 year has been a year of unprecedented challenges and, pleasingly, substantial success in rising to those challenges. On Boxing Day 2019 heavy rain resulted in land slippage and flood damage to part of the Eastern Fish and Game premises in Rotorua. The water supply and operation of the hatchery was threatened; only urgent and difficult work by staff ensured damage was limited and loss of fish stocks was minimised.

The Covid pandemic and subsequent lockdowns required all operations of Eastern Fish and Game to be substantially modified. Staff began working from home; remote working technology was deployed; hatchery staffing was rostered with no personal contact; Council sessions were moved to virtual meetings; urgent budget cuts were scheduled for the balance of the year and preparatory reductions in the 2020/21 budgets were made. Staff and Council devoted much time and effort to ensuring that the game bird season could occur, albeit a little later than normal.

I want to draw attention to the unwavering commitment of all our staff and Councillors in maintaining the Eastern Fish and game operation during that time.

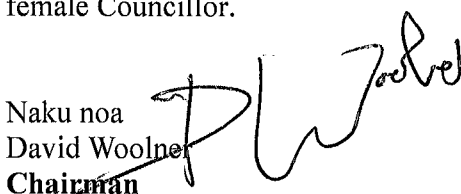
Early and targeted action in the face of the pandemic allowed Eastern Fish and Game to emerge from lockdown and approach the end of our year in markedly better financial shape than might have been the case. Some discretionary activities were curtailed but the core activities of the organisation remained intact and operational. The game bird season was very successful with feedback from license holders very positive regarding the efforts and success of the organisation; and game bird license sales were ahead of anticipated levels.

The recent opening of the trout fishing season has seen high angler satisfaction and strong licence sales. With the ongoing closure of our borders we expect to see a negative impact later in the season with the reduced overseas angler license sales. Staff have attempted to offset the overseas loss by promotion of local fisheries alongside organisations such as Destination Rotorua, along with the release of a cohort of extra-large hatchery reared trout into Lake McLaren in Tauranga that was very well received by local anglers.

Council and staff were pleased to provide feedback and commentary to the Ministerial Reviewers of Fish & Game during their recent visit.

An organisation is only ever as good as the people involved. I acknowledge the skill and dedication of our staff members, some of whom have faced personal issues during these trying times. I thank the Councillors for their governance contributions and note that we are an increasingly diverse Council; we have important and valued iwi representation on Council, and are about to send to the New Zealand Fish and Game Council our new appointee, their very first female Councillor.

Naku noa  
David Woolner  
Chairman





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## **EASTERN FISH AND GAME COUNCIL**

### **ENTITY INFORMATION FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020**

#### **Legal Name**

Eastern Fish and Game Council.

#### **Type of Entity and Legal Basis**

The Eastern Fish and Game Council is a Public Entity under the Public Finance Act 1989 (Schedule 4). The Council was established on 4 May 1991 with the passing of the Conservation Law Reform Act 1990.

#### **Mission & Statement of Objectives**

To maintain and enhance opportunities for sustainable sports fish angling and game bird hunting.

The Conservation Act 1987, as amended by the Conservation Law Reform Act 1990, outlines the particular functions of Fish and Game Councils, which include:

- monitoring sports fish and game populations;
- monitoring the success and satisfaction of users;
- monitoring the condition and trend of ecosystems as habitats for sports fish and game;
- maintaining and improving access;
- maintaining and enhancing the habitat of sports fish and game;
- formulating and establishing regulations and policies which ensure the maintenance of sports fish and game populations and the recreational experience;
- securing compliance with sports fish and game regulations;
- promoting recreational angling and game bird hunting;
- representing the interests of anglers and hunters in the statutory planning process;
- keeping anglers and hunters informed.

The Council's operations are based upon a national statement of purposes and priorities, a Sports Fish and Game Management Plan which sets long term goals and policies, and an annual Operational Work Plan, which sets out the specific work programme and budget.

### **Structure - Council and Staff**

The current Council comprises 11 Councillors, a Manager who is responsible for the day to day operations and reports to the Councillors, and (during the 2019-2020 year), 12 other part and full-time staff who supported the Manager in delivering Council's objectives.

#### **CHAIRMAN**

David Woolner 6 out of 7 meetings attended - Chairman March – August 2020

Murray Ferris 6 out of 7 meetings attended - Chairman September 2019 – February 2020

#### **COUNCIL MEMBERS**

	<u>Meeting Attendance</u>	
Alan Baird	6	
Ngahi Bidois	6	
Ken Coombes	5	
Lindsay Lyons	7	
Adam Rayner	5	
Barry Roderick	7	
Laurance Tamati	6	
Geoff Thomas	4	
Debbie Oakley	5	<i>Appointed December 2019</i>

#### **STAFF**

Andy Garrick <i>Manager</i>	Matthew McDougall <i>Senior Fish &amp; Game Officer</i>	Anthony van Dorp <i>Fish &amp; Game Officer</i>
Matt Osborne <i>Fish &amp; Game Officer</i>	Nigel Simpson <i>Fish &amp; Game Officer</i>	Kate Thompson <i>Office Manager</i>
John Meikle <i>Fish &amp; Game Officer</i>	Lloyd Gledhill <i>Fish &amp; Game Officer</i>	Han van der Heiden <i>Hatchery Assistant</i>
Eben Herbert <i>Fish &amp; Game Officer</i>	Mark Sherburn <i>Fish &amp; Game Officer</i>	Carmel Veitch <i>Accountant</i>
Lynne Sands <i>Office Administrator</i>		

#### **Offices**

The Council office is located at the Trout Hatchery, Paradise Valley Road, Ngongotaha, Rotorua.

**Main Sources of Cash and resources**

Eastern Fish and Game Council derives revenue through the sale of fish and game licences, interest, sale of fish product, contracts, rentals, grants and miscellaneous sales.

**Format of the Annual Report**

This report is structured to allow evaluation of all the projects planned at the commencement of the 2019-2020 work year. The work programme is based around eight outputs and one input. Within each of these functional areas the Statement of Service Performance provides summary details of the resources that were anticipated to be required, along with the actual results for the year. In addition, the performance standard for each project is listed along with a description of the result that was achieved.



## **EASTERN FISH AND GAME COUNCIL**

### **STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020**

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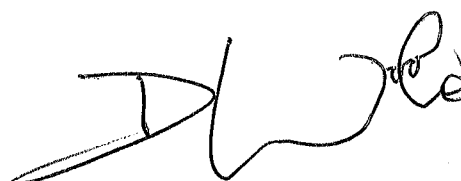
The Council and Management of the Eastern Fish and Game Council accepts responsibility for the accuracy of, and judgements used in the preparation of the following Performance Report, and the establishment and maintenance of systems of internal control designed to provide reasonable assurance of the integrity and reliability of financial reporting.

In our opinion, the information set out in the following statements and attached notes to these statements fairly reflects the financial activities and performance of the Eastern Fish and Game Council, for the period ended 31 August 2020 and its financial position as at that date.



Andy Garrick  
**Manager**

**EASTERN FISH AND GAME COUNCIL**



David Woolner  
**Chairman**

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## EASTERN FISH AND GAME COUNCIL

### STATEMENT OF SERVICE PERFORMANCE FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020

#### INTRODUCTION

As required under Section 26W(b) of the Conservation Law Reform Act 1990 and Section 45A of the Public Finance Amendment Act 2004 Fish and Game New Zealand, Eastern Region has prepared the following Statement of Service Performance for the 2019 - 2020 financial year.

The activities of Eastern Fish and Game Council are planned under eight output areas detailed in the annual Operating Work Plan. This Statement of Service Performance compares actual results against the stated Performance Measures from the plan. For the purposes of this statement, the overhead expenses detailed in the Statement of Financial performance (Administration, Employee Benefits, Depreciation, Leases, Bad Debts and other) have been allocated to each output area on the basis of the proportion of staff time directly expended in each area.

Summary Budget and Actual Expenditure for each output Area.

Project Cluster	Budget			Actual		
	Total Expense	Income	Net Cost	Total Expense	Income	Net Cost
Species Management	\$570,666	\$90,350	\$480,316	\$514,767	\$82,087	\$432,680
Habitat Protection	\$252,479	\$24,940	\$227,539	\$211,475	\$25,931	\$185,544
Angler & Hunter Participation	\$147,794	\$12,150	\$135,644	\$123,166	\$12,652	\$110,514
Public Interface	\$78,976	\$0	\$78,976	\$47,030	\$0	\$47,030
Compliance	\$97,119	\$6,000	\$91,119	\$69,484	\$6,398	\$63,086
Licensing	\$92,381	\$1,451,310	-\$1,358,929	\$71,199	\$1,303,235	-\$1,232,036
Council	\$65,954	\$0	\$65,954	\$49,432	\$0	\$49,432
Planning & Reporting	\$82,028	\$0	\$82,028	\$88,089	\$0	\$88,089
<b>Total Outputs</b>	<b>\$1,387,397</b>	<b>\$1,584,750</b>	<b>-\$197,353</b>	<b>\$1,174,642</b>	<b>\$1,430,303</b>	<b>-\$255,661</b>
Administrative						
Income/Expense	\$45,666	\$45,666	\$0	\$169,619	\$169,619	\$0
Levies, Asset revaluation, Interest	\$215,406	\$13,598	\$201,808	\$255,406	\$26,065	\$229,341
	<b>\$1,648,469</b>	<b>\$1,644,014</b>	<b>\$4,455</b>	<b>\$1,599,667</b>	<b>\$1,625,987</b>	<b>-\$26,320</b>



## SPECIES MANAGEMENT

### Goal

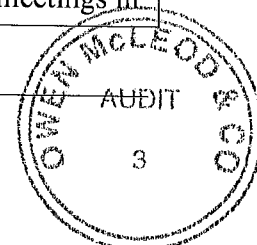
*To manage sustainable populations of sports fish and game bird species to provide for recreational harvest.*

### SUMMARY OF RESOURCES

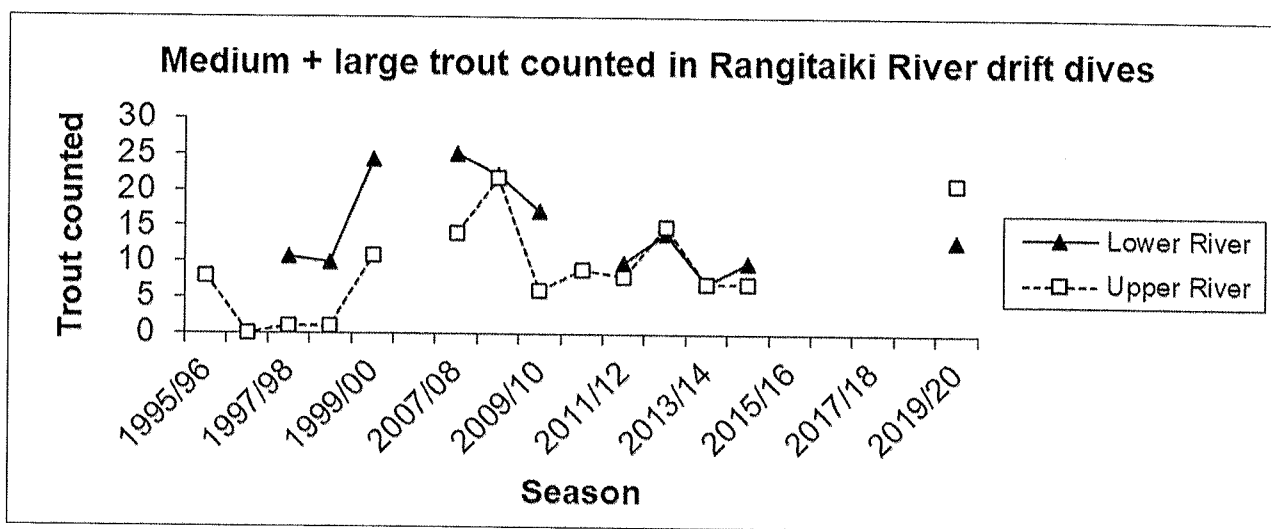
Code	Project Cluster	Budget			Actual		
		Total Expense	Income	Net Cost	Total Expense	Income	Net Cost
1110	Species Monitoring	\$211,131	\$9,350	\$201,781	\$159,376	\$3,063	\$156,313
1120	Harvest Assessment	\$53,538	\$0	\$53,538	\$51,812	\$0	\$51,812
1140	Hatchery Operations	\$280,759	\$81,000	\$199,759	\$284,364	\$79,024	\$205,340
1160	Releases	\$9,844	\$0	\$9,844	\$7,758	\$0	\$7,758
1170	Regulations	\$12,337	\$0	\$12,337	\$8,772	\$0	\$8,772
1180	Control	\$3,057	\$0	\$3,057	\$2,685	\$0	\$2,685
	Total	\$570,666	\$90,350	\$480,316	\$514,767	\$82,087	\$432,680

### 1110: Species Monitoring: Assess and monitor sports fish and game bird populations within the Eastern Region

Project and Objective	Performance Measure	Actual Result
<p><b>1111 River Fisheries Investigations</b> Investigate and monitor river fisheries.</p> <p>(i) Continue to drift dive/ monitor the Rangitaiki and investigate other Eastern Region rivers in response to issues arising and/or availability of resources.</p> <p>(ii) Maintain and continue to promote our online 'angler diary' facility for anglers to record their efforts, the fish they catch, and any other observations they might wish to make; and provide feedback to participating anglers.</p> <p>(iii) Review priority river fishery projects for directing 'non-resident' anglers levy funding to in response to issues arising and/or new</p>	<p><b>Report river fishery investigation results to Council by 31 July 2020.</b></p> <p><b>Provide overview of online diary use to Council by 31 August 2020.</b></p> <p><b>Provide report to Council on river fisheries eligible for non-resident angler levy funding by 31 August 2020.</b></p>	<p>(i) Rangitaiki River drift dive investigation undertaken 4 February 2020. Results reported to Council 13 April 2020.</p> <p>(ii) Online diary maintained with 86 records entered between 1 September 2019 and 31 August 2020.</p> <p>(iii) No additional information came to hand during the first half of the year warranting a review of projects, and use of non-resident levy funds curtailed as part of Covid-19 budget response.</p> <p>(iv) Liaised with regional aquatic pest group in relation to meetings in</p>

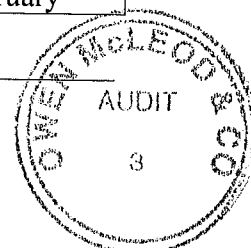


information becoming available. (iv) Contribute to regional interagency biosecurity initiatives.		November 2019 and March 2020.
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Graph 1: Rangitaiki River drift dive trout counts

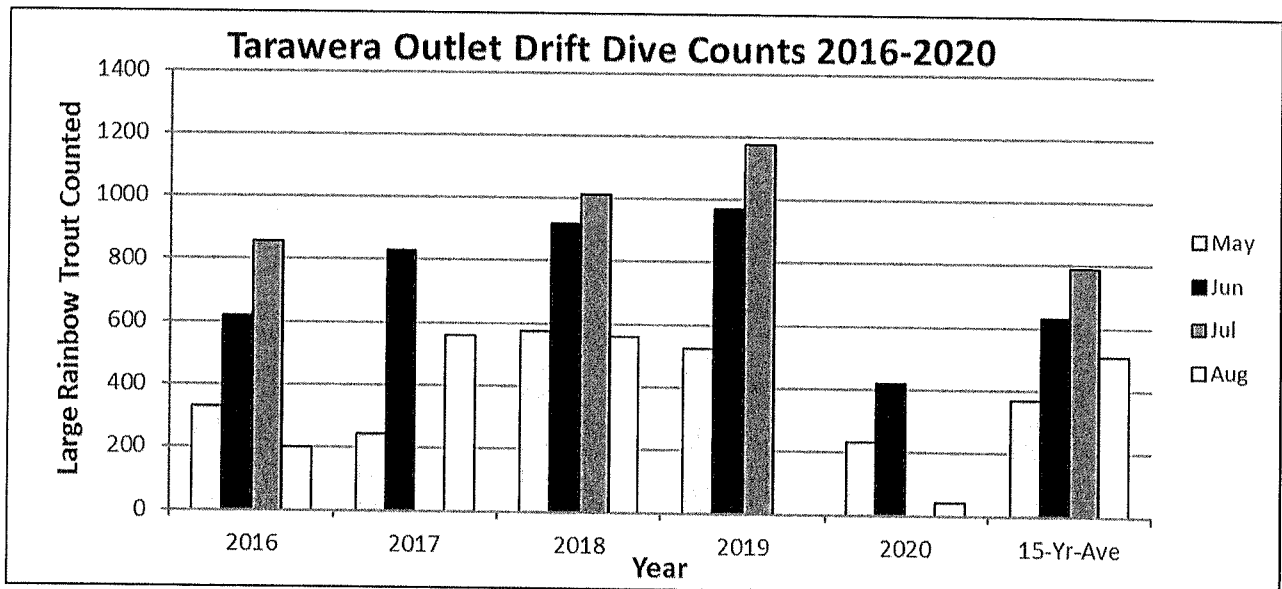
Project and Objective	Performance Measure	Actual Result
<b>1112 Datawatch</b> Monitor Eastern Region lake fisheries using the “Datawatch” tagging programme to assess trout growth.	<b>Tag and release 8,500 fish. Report on tag returns to each meeting of Council.</b>	(i) 8,500 data watch tagged fish released into Rotorua lakes and 30 promotional competition tags released. (ii) 482 tags returned by anglers and 20 free licences distributed to lucky draw winners. (iii) Reported bi-monthly to Council.
<b>1113 Lake Waikaremoana</b> Monitor data collection and maintain Lake Waikaremoana water quality buoy; undertake periodic creel surveys and monitoring of key spawning tributaries.	<b>Report activities to the following meeting of Council. Submit report on creel survey and spawning tributary monitoring programme to February 2020 meeting of Council.</b>	Water quality monitoring buoy reinstated 11 March 2020. Progress reported to Council bi-monthly. Genesis Energy postponed 2019 winter creel survey and spawning tributary monitoring until mid-2020 (June, July, August 2020). Report accordingly deferred until February



<p><b>1114 Lake Tarawera</b></p> <p>(i) Monitor Lake Tarawera spawning tributaries including the Tarawera Outlet, Te Wairoa and Wairua Streams.</p> <p>(ii) Undertake final field sampling exercise for Fish &amp; Game sponsored Cawthron investigation into aquatic food webs and factors affecting the size, condition and growth of trout on Lake Tarawera, and commence Year 2 of smelt monitoring programme.</p>	<p><i>Report spawning survey observations to the following meeting of Council, and the results of other investigations by 31 August 2020.</i></p>	<p>2021.</p> <p>(i) Three Tarawera Outlet drift dives completed, and Te Wairoa trapping data reported to Council bi-monthly during the trapping season. Escapement count conducted in Wairua Stream in May 2020.</p> <p>(ii) Cawthron food web research sample collection completed November 2019, and Year 2 sampling for Tarawera smelt acoustic programme undertaken November 2019 and May 2020.</p>
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Table 1: Wairua Stream mouth angling data records

Angling Data	2019-20	2018-19	2017-18	2016-17	2015-16
Total Hours recorded	9	36	54.2	91.5	137
Avg Catch rate (fish/hr)	0.00	0.07	0.36	0.19	0.43
Avg Length (mm)	-	515	462	488	495
Avg Weight (kg)	-	1.90	1.71	1.62	1.63
Avg Condition Factor	-	51.12	45.93	43.90	48.62



Graph 2: Tarawera Outlet drift dive trout counts



<i>Project and Objective</i>	<i>Performance Measure</i>	<i>Actual Result</i>
<p><b>1115 Other Lake Fisheries Investigations</b></p> <p>(i) Contribute to research on other lake fisheries including projects associated with water quality.</p> <p>(ii) Review options for establishing a trophy trout fishery in Lake Okataina and assess implications.</p> <p>(iii) Continue to operate the Ngongotaha Stream trap.</p> <p>(iv) Maintain and continue to promote our online ‘angler diary’ facility for anglers to record their efforts, the fish they catch, and any other observations they might wish to make; and provide feedback to participating anglers.</p> <p>(v) Review priority lake fishery projects for directing ‘non-resident’ anglers levy funding to in response to issues arising and/or new information becoming available.</p>	<p><i>Provide research updates and Ngongotaha trap results to each meeting of Council. Provide report on options for establishing a trophy trout fishery on Lake Okataina and an overview of online diary use to Council by 31 August 2020.</i></p> <p><i>Provide report to Council on lake fisheries eligible for non-resident angler levy funding by 31 August 2020.</i></p>	<p>(i) Presented monitoring report to BOPRC expert Fisheries Panel on Ohau Channel November 2019.</p> <p>(ii) Options for</p> <p>(iii) establishing a trophy trout fishery on Lake Okataina unable to be progressed.</p> <p>(iv) Ngongotaha trap run monitored.</p> <p>(v) Online angler diary maintained and advertised.</p> <p>(vi) No additional information came to hand during the first half of the year warranting a review of projects and use of non-resident levy funds curtailed as part of Covid-19 budget response.</p> <p>(vii) Reported to Council bi-monthly.</p>

*Table 2: Ohau Channel creel survey results, post diversion wall construction*

<b>Season</b>	<b>10-11</b>	<b>11-12</b>	<b>12-13</b>	<b>13-14</b>	<b>14-15</b>	<b>15-16</b>	<b>16-17</b>	<b>17-18</b>	<b>18-19</b>	<b>19-20</b>
Ave. angler catch rate	0.27	0.20	0.23	0.38	0.32	0.38	0.25	0.30	0.34	0.25
Ave. brown weight (kg)	3.91	3.94	2.68	3.75	2.93	2.83	3.26	2.86	2.47	3.05
Ave. rainbow weight(kg)	1.56	1.58	1.51	1.69	1.55	1.62	1.58	1.50	1.64	1.84
% of Anglers satisfied	19%	19%	3%	69%	33%	68%	67%	72%	58%	55%

*Catch rate = fish/hr*

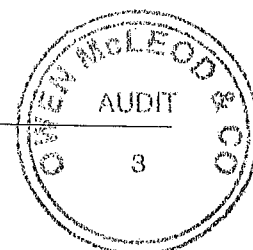
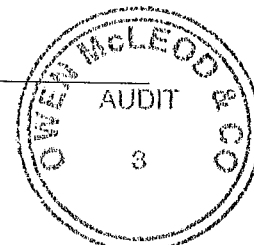


Table 3: Ngongotaha Stream trap run annual summary

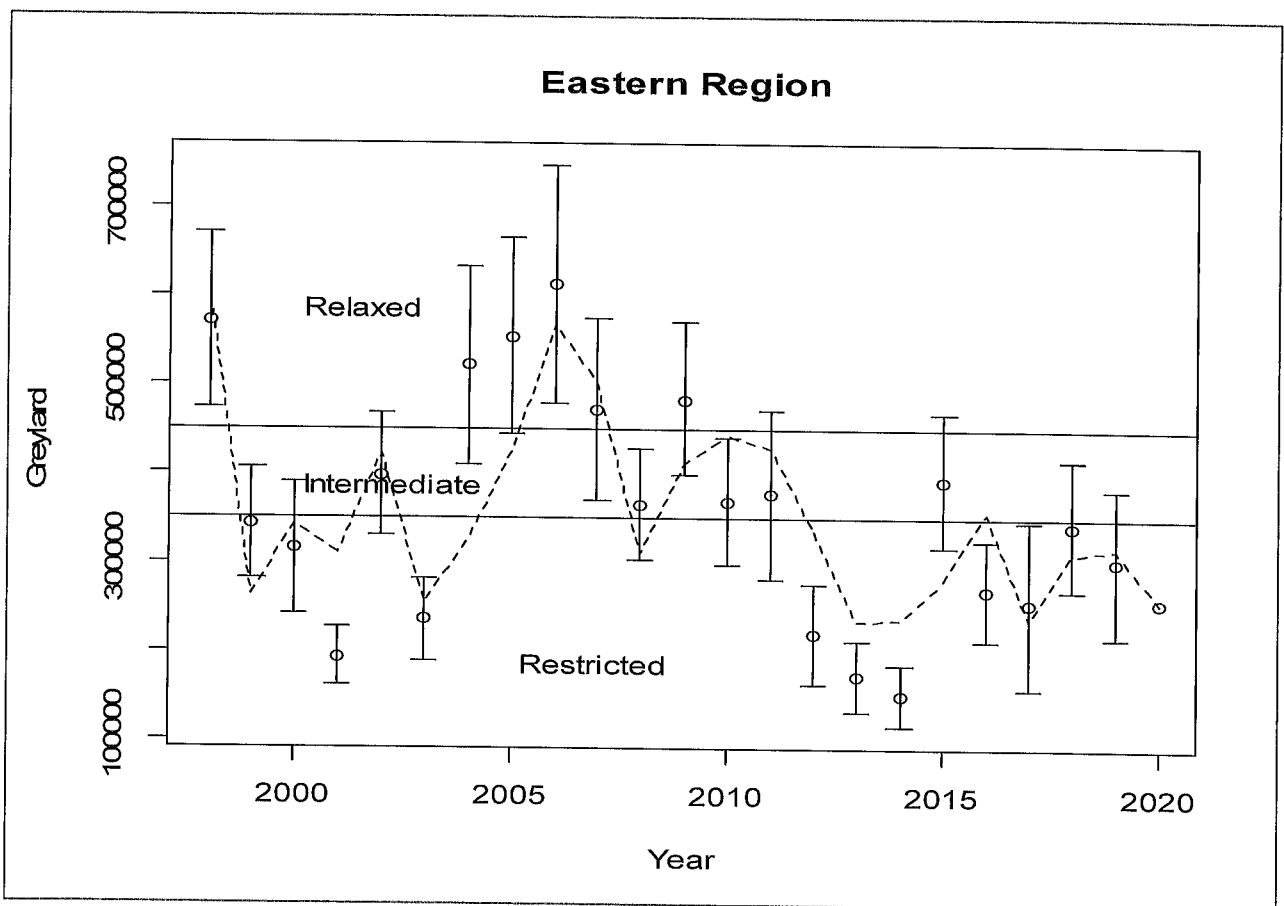
Month	Trap Nights	Tot RT Caught	Tot BT Caught	%BT	Avg RT Length	Avg RT Weight	Avg BT Length	Avg BT Weight
Sep 19	8	90	-	0%	479	1.34	-	-
Oct 19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Nov 19	4	64	313	83%	509	1.53	574	2.59
Dec 19	4	25	396	94%	504	1.51	574	2.64
Jan 20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Feb 20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Mar 20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Apr 20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
May 20	10	25	121	83%	508	1.60	558	2.26
Jun 20	3	11	17	61%	501	1.74	555	2.33
Jul 20	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Aug 20	4	28	5	15%	481	1.48	539	2.16
<b>Year</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>243</b>	<b>852</b>	<b>78%</b>	<b>497</b>	<b>1.53</b>	<b>560</b>	<b>2.40</b>

RT = Rainbow Trout, BT = Brown Trout, Length in mm, Weight in kg

Project and Objective	Performance Measure	Actual Result
<p><b>1116 Waterfowl Monitoring</b></p> <p>(i) Monitor black swan and paradise shelduck populations within the Eastern Region using aerial trend counts, and monitor seasonal usage of Tauranga Harbour by black swan.</p> <p>(ii) Investigate productivity, survival, harvest and movements of greylards by conducting brood counts, and undertaking trapping, banding and aerial transect surveys in conjunction with neighbouring regions; co-ordinate and participate in the national shoveler monitoring programme.</p>	<p><b>(i) Report interim results to the February 2020 Council meeting and provide a full report detailing the status of these populations by 31 August 2020.</b></p> <p><b>(ii) Provide final reports for the 2018-2019 year by 31 October 2019 and report interim results for the 2019-2020 year to the February 2020 Council meeting. The reports will compare measures of productivity for greylards with previous years where it is possible to do so.</b></p>	<p>(i) Paradise shelduck and black swan counts completed, interim results reported 11 February 2020. Full report completed 21 August 2020.</p> <p>(ii) Mallard and grey duck population estimates provided to Council in October 2019 agenda paper. Banding completed January 2020. Aerial transect counts not undertaken due to Covid-19.</p> <p>(iii) A series of annual duck brood counts were undertaken within the coastal Bay of Plenty drainage network during October and November 2019. Results reported for Council information</p>



		in April 2020. (iv) 2020 national shoveler report completed 31 August 2020 and emailed to all Fish & Game Regions.
<b>1117 Botulism</b> Monitor avian botulism outbreaks and minimise these by whatever practical means are available.	<b>Report incidents to the following meeting of Council.</b>	No major botulism outbreaks reported.



Graph 3 The mallard population at the end of the year after the breeding season (black circle and horizontal lines; mean±95% BCI) 1997–2019. The black dashed line is the model  $N_{(t-1)} + SuR + WT$  ( $N_{(t-1)}$ =Population at the beginning of the year,  $SuR$ =average summer rain at the Whakatane weather station,  $WT$ =average winter temperature at the Whakatane weather station). If the estimated population falls into one of the Relaxed, Intermediate, or Restricted areas then a corresponding degree of restraint is applied to the season regulations.

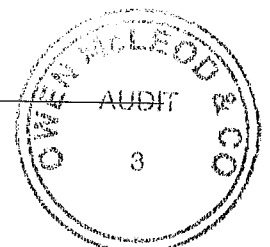




Table 4: Aerial trend count estimate of annual change (18 year population trend) and last two year's count totals for sub regional management areas

Area	Paradise Shelduck			Black Swan		
	Trend	Total 2019	Total 2020	Trend	Total 2019	Total 2020
A1	-4.5%	6,207	6,014	-3.1%	7,358	9,113
A2	-6.6%	1,980	2,357	-0.3%	1,858	1,320
B1	-6.8%	1,817	3,059	-1.0%	210	402
B2	-3.6%	1,446	1,330	-1.2%	723	840

Trend of 0.00 = no change, trend < 10.0 is decline, trend > 10.0 is increase.

Project and Objective	Performance Measure	Actual Result
<p><b>1118 Game Bird Research</b></p> <p>(i) Review and refine if appropriate, the five-year strategic research and management work plan for greylards.</p> <p>(ii) Review and refine if appropriate, the modelling approach used to support regulation setting.</p>	<p><b>Report findings and submit revised work plan if relevant to Council by 31 August 2020.</b></p>	<p>(i) Contributed to review of National Mallard Research programme and refined elements of Eastern game bird research strategy.</p> <p>(ii) Investigated predictive models to assist with setting of game season regulations for mallards (see Graph 3). Reported to Council 5 December 19.</p>
<p><b>1119 Upland Game Assessments</b></p> <p>Continue upland game population monitoring programme in Kaingaroa.</p>	<p><b>Report outcomes to the following meeting of Council.</b></p>	<p>Pheasant call counts were undertaken in Kaingaroa Forest in November 2019. Results reported to Council in April 2020.</p>

**1120: Harvest Assessment: Assess angler and hunter activity and related harvest**

Project and Objective	Performance Measure	Actual Result
<p><b>1121 Lake Fisheries Creel Surveys</b></p> <p>Review and refine approach to annual angler winter and summer creel monitoring surveys assessing angler catch and satisfaction from key Rotorua lakes (Okataina, Rotoiti, Tarawera), and implement. Extend summer creel surveys to Rotoma, Rotoehu, Okareka and/or Rerewhakaaitu to the extent this can be accommodated without compromising effort on the key lakes.</p>	<p><b>Report on the 2019 winter creel survey by 28 February 2020 and the 2019-2020 summer creel surveys by 31 August 2020.</b></p>	<p>(i) 158 anglers surveyed during winter 2019. Report presented to Council February 2020.</p> <p>(ii) 865 anglers surveyed during the 2019-20 summer surveys. Surveys only undertaken on key lakes. Report completed 8 September 2020.</p>

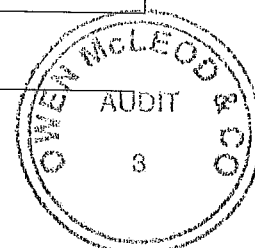


Table 5: Winter Creel Survey summary results

Lake	% Anglers satisfied of those who responded			Avg Fish Length (mm)			Avg Fish Weight (kg)		
	2019	2018	2017	2019	2018	2017	2019	2018	2017
Tarawera	97%	100%	87%	537	574	520	1.88	2.30	1.58
Rotoiti	93%	96%	96%	596	588	572	3.07	2.87	2.39
Okataina	100%	100%	100%	584	577	572	2.16	2.46	2.36

Table 6: Summer Creel Survey summary results

Lake	% Anglers satisfied of those who responded			Avg Fish Length (mm)			Avg Fish Weight (kg)		
	19-20	18-19	17-18	19-20	18-19	17-18	19-20	18-19	17-18
Tarawera	89%	100%	91%	509	487	486	1.48	1.43	1.27
Rotoiti	100%	97%	92%	539	511	515	2.04	1.67	1.69
Okataina	100%	94%	100%	531	501	520	1.84	1.47	1.56
Rotorua	97%	91%	100%	447	457	460	1.06	1.11	1.00

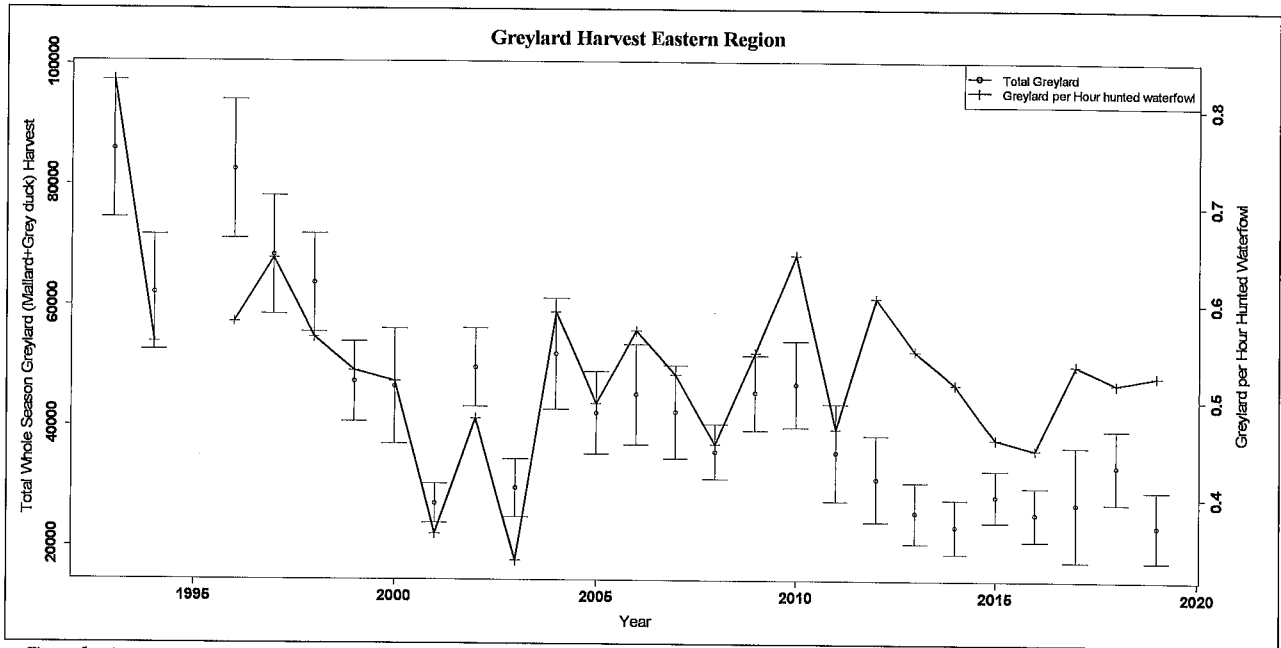
Project and Objective	Performance Measure	Actual Result
<b>1122 Opening Day Angler Survey</b> Monitor opening day catch from Rotorua lakes fisheries to assess characteristics of the catch.	<b>Present report to Council by 30 April 2020.</b>	Survey completed with 733 anglers surveyed. Report presented to Council April 2020.

Table 7: Opening Day Survey, trout caught summary details

Lake	Avg 2yr old length (mm)			Avg 2yr old weight (kg)			Avg 2yr old condition factor		
	19-20	18-19	17-18	19-20	18-19	17-18	19-20	18-19	17-18
Tarawera	500	486	482	1.45	1.28	1.21	42.22	40.39	38.86
Rotoiti	504	495	495	1.63	1.51	1.43	45.75	45.32	42.57
Okataina	503	485	495	1.61	1.30	1.41	45.85	41.14	41.96

Project and Objective	Performance Measure	Actual Result
<b>1123 Game Bird Hunter Survey</b> Assess the harvest of game birds by hunters and hunter effort during the 2020 season. Include in the survey an assessment of the special season for pukeko and black swan in February 2020.	<b>Present the results of the 2019 game season hunter surveys to Council by 30 November 2019. Complete the 2020 game bird hunter surveys by 31 August 2020.</b>	2019 Game bird hunter survey results presented to 5 December 2019 meeting of Council (PFI). 2020 game bird hunter surveys completed in September 2020.





Graph 4: Eastern Region greylard (mallard & grey duck) harvest (mean ± 95% CI) from 1993 to 2020. The solid line represents greylard per hour hunting waterfowl.

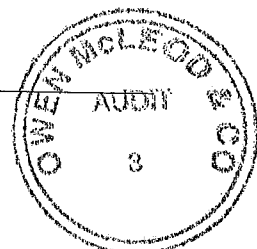
**1140: Hatchery: Produce sufficient trout to meet the stocking requirements of the Eastern Region of Fish & Game New Zealand, as well as other Fish & Game Regions**

Project and Objective	Performance Measure	Actual Result
<p><b>1141 Operate Hatchery</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) Produce quality fish for stocking of Eastern Region lakes and supplying the needs of other Fish &amp; Game regions.</li> <li>(ii) Develop capacity to produce 50+ large trout/annum for release in conjunction with fishery promotions.</li> <li>(iii) Review and revise where necessary the hatchery manual and contingency provisions for emergencies.</li> <li>(iv) Control shags disturbing rearing ponds.</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) <b>Produce c.90,000 fish to meet Eastern Region requirements and regional orders including 50+ large fish.</b></li> <li>(ii) <b>Update manual by 31 August 2020.</b></li> <li>(iii) <b>Provide a record of Black shags (<i>Phalacrocorax carbo novaehollandiae</i>) and Little shags (<i>Phalacrocorax melanoleucos brevirostris</i>) destroyed on the property.</b></li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>(i) 86,281 fish were produced and liberated or distributed for the period.</li> <li>(ii) Revision of hatchery manual ongoing.</li> <li>(iii) Eight Black shags and two Little shags were destroyed on the hatchery property.</li> <li>(iv) Liberations reported to following meeting of Council.</li> </ul>
<p><b>1142 Hatchery Maintenance</b> Maintenance of hatchery facilities.</p>	<p><b>Report activities to the following meeting of Council.</b></p>	<p>Activities were reported to following meeting of Council. Of note: repairs to piping and related infrastructure post slip/flooding event 26 Dec 19.</p>



Table 8: Trout liberations in the Eastern Region

Water	Date	Mark	Tag	Species	Age	Modal mm	Number
McLaren	28/05/2020			RT	3+		130
McLaren	19/11/2019	Lp	PP	BT	1+	190	500
McLaren	19/11/2019	Lp	WA17	RT	1+	170	1,000
Ngahewa	12/11/2019	Lp		RT	1+	170	200
Ngapouri	14/11/2019	Lp		RT	1+	170	500
Okareka	25/03/2020			RT	1+		2,500
Okareka	16/09/2019	Lp	G19	RT	1+	170	500
Okareka	16/09/2019	Lp		RT	1+	170	2,000
Okaro	12/11/2019	Lp		RT	1+	170	500
Okataina	19/05/2020	RpAd	20 O	RT	1+	170	500
Okataina	24/03/2020			RT	1+		300
Okataina	10/03/2020	RpAd		RT	1+	150	250
Okataina	9/10/2019	Lp		RT	1+	170	1,000
Okataina	27/09/2019		Fish 4 Gold	RT	2+		10
Okataina	5/09/2019	Lp	E19	RT	1+	180	500
Okataina	5/09/2019	Lp		RT	1+	180	1000
Rerewhakaaitu	25/03/2020			RT	1+		3,500
Rerewhakaaitu	18/09/2019	Lp	I19	RT	1+	180	500
Rerewhakaaitu	18/09/2019	Lp		RT	1+	180	3,500
Rotoehu	25/03/2020			RT	1+		2,000
Rotoehu	17/09/2019	Lp	C19	RT	1+	170	500
Rotoehu	17/09/2019	Lp		RT	1+	180	2,000
Rotoiti	19/05/2020	RpAd	20R	RT	1+	170	500
Rotoiti	24/03/2020			RT	1+		10,000
Rotoiti	10/03/2020	RpAd		RT	1+	160	4,000
Rotoiti	14/02/2020	Ad	N20	RT	1+	160	500
Rotoiti	8/10/2019	Lp		RT	1+	170	6,500
Rotoiti	27/09/2019		Fish 4 Gold	RT	2+		10
Rotoiti	10/09/2019	Lp	B19	RT	1+	170	500
Rotoiti	10/09/2019	Lp		RT	1+	170	6,500
Rotoma	4/06/2020	RpAd		Tiger	1+		1,430
Rotoma	25/03/2020			RT	1+		2,000
Rotoma	10/12/2019	Lp		RT	1+		1,140
Rotoma	12/09/2019	Lp	D19	RT	1+	170	500
Rotoma	12/09/2019	Lp		RT	1+	170	2,000
Rotonuiaha	30/10/2019	Lp		RT	1+	170	400
Rotorua	25/09/2019	Lp	A19	RT	1+	180	1,000
Tarawera	19/05/2020	RpAd	20T	RT	1+	170	500
Tarawera	24/03/2020			RT	1+		2,000
Tarawera	10/03/2020	RpAd		RT	1+	160	1,000
Tarawera	14/02/2020	Ad	X20	RT	1+	160	500
Tarawera	14/02/2020	Ad		RT	1+	160	500
Tarawera	26/11/2019	Lp		RT	1+		1,000
Tarawera	16/10/2019	Lp		RT	1+	170	2,500
Tarawera	27/09/2019		Fish 4 Gold	RT	2+		10
Tarawera	4/09/2019	Lp	H19	RT	1+	180	500
Tarawera	4/09/2019	Lp		RT	1+	180	4,000
Tuai	2/12/2019	Lp		BT	1+		200
Tuai	2/12/2019	Lp		RT	1+		500



<i>Project and Objective</i>	<i>Performance Measure</i>	<i>Actual Result</i>
<b>1143 Te Wairoa Trap</b> Operate Te Wairoa trap to obtain suitable brood stock and collect sufficient ova to sustain the hatchery programme.	<b>Report the results of the trapping programme to each meeting of Council during the period April to August 2020.</b>	(i) The Te Wairoa trap was operated and 332,000 ova were collected from 82 crosses. (ii) Review of brood stock selection programme is in progress. (iii) Reported to Council bi-monthly during the trapping season.

Table 9: Te Wairoa trap summary

<b>Fish details</b>	<b>2019-20</b>	<b>2018-19</b>	<b>2017-18</b>	<b>2016-17</b>	<b>2015-16</b>
<b>Total fish trapped</b>	1,245	2,757	2,122	801	1,112
<b>Average Length (mm)</b>	549	549	532	538	541
<b>Average Weight (kg)</b>	1.89	2.09	1.86	1.82	2.01
<b>Wild % in run</b>	23.0	26.8	29.5	23.6	29.0

**1160: Releases: Transfer and release sports fish and game birds to augment populations within the region**

<i>Project and Objective</i>	<i>Performance Measure</i>	<i>Actual Result</i>
<b>1161 Sports Fish Liberations</b> Fin clip, tag, transfer, and release hatchery reared trout in accordance with regional stocking strategies.	<b>Report liberations to the following meeting of Council.</b>	Liberations reported to the following meeting of Council.

**1170: Regulations: Develop regulations to ensure that harvest of sports fish and game birds is within sustainable limits**

<i>Project and Objective</i>	<i>Performance Measure</i>	<i>Actual Result</i>
<b>1171 Sports Fish Regulations</b> Conduct the formal biennial review of the Anglers Notice and submit recommendations for the 2020-2021 season.	<b>Recommend fishing season conditions for the 2020-2021 Anglers Notice by 30 June 2020.</b>	Biennial Anglers notice review completed at June 2020 Council Meeting. Recommendations sent to NZ Council 19 June 2020.
<b>1172 Game Bird Regulations</b> Maintain game bird resources through the development of annual game season conditions.	<b>Recommend game season conditions for the 2020 season to the NZ Council by 31 January 2020.</b>	Recommended Game Season Conditions sent to NZ Council 30 January 2020.
<b>1173 Game Bird Authorities</b> Provide input to Department of Conservation (DOC) permitting processes to capture, hold, breed and release game birds, and	<b>Report activities to the following meeting of Council.</b>	No requests to provide input to permitting processes or authorities to hold, capture or release game birds were received from DOC, nor



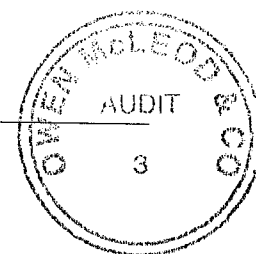
provide input to national Fish & Game initiative to obtain authorities or delegations from DOC to administer all related matters pertaining to Schedule 1 Wildlife Act game species.		was there any requirement or request to provide input to national Fish & Game initiatives of this nature.
<b>1174 Upland Game Properties</b> Monitor upland game properties, liaise with the operators and review annual operating registers.	<b>Report activities of upland game properties to Council by 30 November 2019.</b>	Summary report presented to Council October 2019.

**1180: Game Bird Control: Minimise significant damage caused by game birds to private land**

<i>Project and Objective</i>	<i>Performance Measure</i>	<i>Actual Result</i>
<b>1181 Game Bird Control</b> Reduce damage to crops or pasture from unwanted aggregations of game birds by assisting landowners and utilising the efforts of game bird hunters wherever practical.	<b>Maintain permit database and report on the number of permits issued annually in the year end Performance Report.</b>	56 permits were issued to 45 landowners. All requests were dealt with in a timely manner.

*Table 10: Permits issued to disturb game birds by species (45 landowners)*

<b>Species</b>	<b>Permits Issued</b>
Black Swan	9
Paradise Shelduck	17
Mallard duck	6
Pukeko	18
Ring necked pheasant	6
<b>Total</b>	<b>56</b>



## SPORTS FISH AND GAME BIRD HABITAT PROTECTION AND MAINTENANCE

### Goal

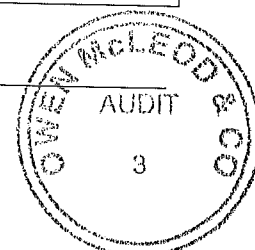
*To manage, maintain, and enhance sports fish and game bird habitat to maximise recreational opportunities for anglers and hunters.*

### SUMMARY OF RESOURCES

Code	Project Cluster	Budget			Actual		
		Total Expense	Income	Net Cost	Total Expense	Income	Net Cost
1210	RMA	\$96,083	\$0	\$96,083	\$92,021	\$0	\$92,021
1220	Works & Management	\$84,538	\$13,150	\$71,388	\$79,307	\$13,444	\$65,863
1230	Assisted Habitat	\$66,489	\$11,790	\$54,699	\$39,431	\$12,487	\$26,944
1240	Assessment	\$5,369	\$0	\$5,369	\$716	\$0	\$716
Total		\$252,479	\$24,940	\$227,539	\$211,475	\$25,931	\$185,544

**1210: Resource Management Act: Effectively represent Fish & Game interests and the aspirations of anglers and hunters in resource management processes and strategies by advocating for sports fish and game bird habitat values, angling, and hunting values in statutory and non-statutory planning processes.**

<i>Project and Objective</i>	<i>Performance Measure</i>	<i>Actual Result</i>
<p><b>1211 RMA Planning</b></p> <p>(i) Review plans, policies and strategies and advocate for decisions and conditions that provide for sports fish and game bird interests and the interests of anglers and hunters.</p> <p>(ii) Contribute to the improvement of water quality in the Rotorua lakes via collaborative processes, research, and fishery and angler monitoring.</p> <p>(iii) Minimise effects on fisheries arising from activities aimed at improving water quality in the Rotorua lakes.</p> <p>(iv) Utilise the results of river fishery investigations to advocate for improved water</p>	<p><b>Report activities to each meeting of Council.</b></p>	<p>(i) Involved in statutory and non-statutory planning processes with District/Regional Councils as per Table 11.</p> <p>(ii) All activities reported to Council bi-monthly.</p>



<p>quality in the Rangitaiki and Motu River catchments.</p> <p>(v) Make submissions on regional and district council planning documents to promote rules that facilitate game bird habitat enhancement.</p>		
<p><b>1212 Consent Applications</b> Review and respond to consent applications and advocate for decisions and conditions that provide for sports fish and game bird interests and the interests of anglers and hunters.</p>	<p><i>Report activities to each meeting of Council.</i></p>	<p>All activities reported to Council bi-monthly. Summary of actions taken provided in Table 12.</p>

Table 11: Meetings, hearings, appeals and/or mediations in which we have been involved

Authority	Process
Bay of Plenty Regional Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Regional Water Advisory Panel</li> <li>• Proposed Plan Change 9</li> <li>• Proposed Pest Management Plan</li> <li>• Important trout habitat review</li> </ul>
National	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• New Zealand Biodiversity Strategy</li> <li>• Action for Healthy Waterways - NPS, NES</li> </ul>
Waikato Regional Council	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Proposed Pest Management Plan</li> <li>• Plan Change 1 – Healthy Rivers</li> </ul>

Table 12: Summary of Consent Applications received

Consent activity	Number of applications
Total number of consents received	45
No concerns letter	28
Section 95E3a approval	17
Opposed	0

**1220: Works and Management: Wildlife management reserves and other wetland reserves**

Project and Objective	Performance Measure	Actual Result
<p><b>1221 Reserves Management</b> Manage water levels and habitat in wildlife management reserves; advocate and maintain optimum conditions for waterfowl.</p> <p>(i) Implement, monitor, and refine if necessary, the annual maintenance strategy</p>	<p><i>Report activities to the following meeting of Council.</i></p>	<p>(i) \$5,686 received from ballot holder habitat enhancement fees with funds used for pest plant and access spraying in eight reserves.</p> <p>(ii) Annual mowing and complementary</p>

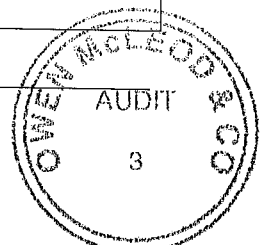




<p>subsidised by a habitat management fee imposed on ballot holders that was introduced in 2018.</p> <p>(ii) Continue to implement wetland monitoring and maintenance programmes in the reserves (including water reticulation systems in Kaituna, Awaiti and Orini WMRs) in accordance with the five-year maintenance plan for the reserves.</p> <p>(iii) Continue to contribute to the design and implementation of habitat creation and enhancement within and adjoining the Kaituna WMR in conjunction with the Bay of Plenty Regional Council and Department of Conservation (DOC).</p> <p>(iv) Continue to assist with implementation of the Waikato River Authority funded fencing and habitat enhancement programme at Lakes Ngapouri and Tutaeinanga.</p>		<p>spraying programme to (i) above was completed. Water reticulation works for Awaiti, Kaituna and Waewaetutuki WMRs completed. Security gates for Awakaponga and Lake Tamarenuui installed. Regular habitat and hydrology inspections in all critical wetlands.</p> <p>(iii) Stage one completed with stage two planned for November 2020. New floodgates installed at twin 600 and 1800mm inlet culverts. Contribution ongoing and reported to Council bi-monthly.</p> <p>(iv) Ongoing project management by Fish &amp; Game with plant releasing sprays and pest plant spraying organised and undertaken as required.</p>
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**1230: Assisted Habitat: Assist habitat enhancement by individuals and organisations and manage significant projects**

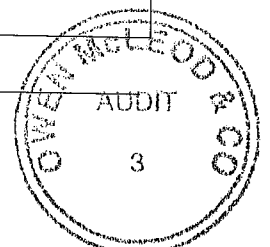
<i>Project and Objective</i>	<i>Performance Measure</i>	<i>Actual Result</i>
<p><b>1231 Respond to Landowner Requests for Assistance</b></p> <p>(i) Respond to all requests from hunters and landowners for advice on creating wetland habitat on non-public land. Make available information packages and services including landowner site visits and consent advice.</p>	<p><b><i>Respond to all landowners' requests for advice and contribute to the development and/or enhancement of habitat that enhances waterfowl productivity and greylards in particular. Report activities to the following meeting of Council.</i></b></p>	<p>(i) Landowner information/advice provided to 8 landowners towards enhancement of 10 ha of wetland habitat.</p> <p>(ii) Reported to Council bi-monthly.</p>



<p>(ii) Use rural media to encourage wetland enhancement on non-public land.</p>		
<p><b>1232 Habitat Creation and Enhancement Projects</b></p> <p>(i) Encourage landowners to enhance the game bird habitat values of existing ponds in rural environments in accordance with the strategy developed to do this.</p> <p>(ii) Make at least two applications to external funding providers for habitat creation projects in the Eastern Region.</p> <p>(iii) Assist in wetland habitat creation and enhancement in the Waikato River catchment through WCEET trustee and project manager participation.</p> <p>(iv) Advocate for remedial works and/or enhancement of riparian/instream fisheries habitat in tributaries of Lake Rotorua and provide technical advice to projects instigated.</p> <p>(v) Advocate for more environmentally appropriate drain management practices with relevant agencies with the aim of enhancing habitat for dabbling ducks.</p>	<p><i>(i) Make at least two applications for external funding for an enhancement project.</i></p> <p><i>(ii) Report WCEET activities by 31 August 2020.</i></p> <p><i>(iii) Report activities to the following meeting of Council.</i></p>	<p>(i) Assistance for multiple rural landowners with stock ponds for development were cancelled due to Covid and funding cuts.</p> <p>(ii) No external funding applications were made.</p> <p>(iii) Attended WCEET meetings, and managed eight projects. Reported results to bi-monthly meetings of Council.</p> <p>(iv) Fishery instream habitat enhancement works undertaken in mid reaches of Ngongotaha Stream, and similar works completed in lower Utuhina Stream.</p> <p>(v) Advocacy for stream and drain enhancement undertaken included submissions made to BOPRC bylaws and engineer meetings.</p> <p>(vi) All activities reported to Council bi-monthly.</p>

**1240: Assess and Monitor: Assess and monitor regional trends in significant habitat areas**

<i>Project and Objective</i>	<i>Performance Measure</i>	<i>Actual Result</i>
<p><b>1241 Monitor Waterfowl Habitats</b> Interact with Wetland Forum groups and/or agencies compiling or updating wetland inventories.</p>	<p><i>Report activities to the following meeting of Council.</i></p>	<p>Participated in one Bay of Plenty Wetland Forum meeting but not reported to Council.</p>



## ANGLER AND HUNTER PARTICIPATION AND SERVICES

### Goal

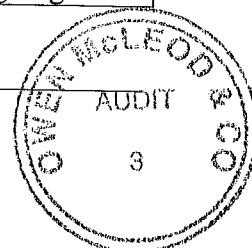
*To encourage angler and hunter participation while maintaining the quality of the recreational experience.*

### SUMMARY OF RESOURCES

Code	Project Cluster	Budget			Actual		
		Total Expense	Income	Net Cost	Total Expense	Income	Net Cost
1310	Access	\$45,681	\$0	\$45,681	\$47,790	\$0	\$47,790
1330	Newsletters	\$30,489	\$0	\$30,489	\$18,030	\$0	\$18,030
1340	Other Publications	\$5,835	\$0	\$5,835	\$3,084	\$0	\$3,084
1350	Training	\$59,097	\$11,750	\$47,347	\$49,402	\$12,317	\$37,085
1360	Club Relations	\$2,813	\$0	\$2,813	\$1,731	\$0	\$1,731
1370	Huts	\$3,879	\$400	\$3,479	\$3,129	\$335	\$2,794
	Total	\$147,794	\$12,150	\$135,644	\$123,166	\$12,652	\$110,514

### 1310: Angler and Hunter Access: To maintain and enhance access to the sports fish and game bird resources of the Eastern Region

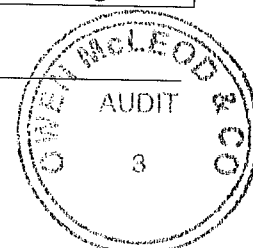
Project and Objective	Performance Measure	Actual Result
<p><b>1311 Maintain and Enhance Access</b> Physical and legal access to angling and hunting opportunities.</p> <p>(i) Maintain angling tracks in the Ngongotaha and Waiteti Streams, and the Tarawera, Waioeka, Rangitaiki and Waikaretaheke Rivers.</p> <p>(ii) Maintain and enhance access opportunities within the greater Rangitaiki catchment.</p> <p>(iii) Investigate East Coast fisheries north of Gisborne and access to these as opportunity permits.</p> <p>(iv) Continue to advocate for improved access through plantation forests including Kaingaroa, and seek resolution in relation to the establishment of access to</p>	<p><b>Report activities to the following meeting of Council.</b></p>	<p>(i) Access maintenance work carried out as required at all specified locations where access is maintained.</p> <p>(ii) Investigations carried out to enhance access in the Whirinaki River system. Approaches made to DOC and iwi with limited progress due to part to Covid-19 interruptions.</p> <p>(iii) No further work undertaken in regard to East Coast fisheries north of Gisborne due to constraints due in part to Covid-19 interruptions.</p> <p>(iv) Liaison ongoing with</p>



<p>areas in which access to fish and game resources by licence holders has been unlawfully denied.</p> <p>(v) Make submissions to the Walking Access Commission, Overseas Investment Office, and Office of Treaty Settlements to ensure that provision is made for public access where appropriate.</p>		<p>landowners and Forest Managers.</p> <p>(v) Access at Putere Lakes largely resolved, new signage still to be erected.</p> <p>(vi) Work on updating the Waikato Fishery brochure and access points and signage is underway with a view to promote this fishery.</p> <p>(vii) Access issue register updated, and consultation, advice and liaison with Walking Access Commission ongoing.</p> <p>(viii) Activities reported to Council at meeting following.</p>
<p><b>1312 Signage</b> Maintain signs and enhance access through signage at key fishing and hunting access points. Maintain signage inventory databases.</p>	<p><i>Report activities to the following meeting of Council.</i></p>	<p>(i) Access signage maintained and improved, and database updated.</p> <p>(ii) Activities reported to Council at meeting following.</p>
<p><b>1313 Hunter Ballots</b> Allocate and manage balloted hunting stands in Fish &amp; Game managed Wildlife Management Reserves/wetlands.</p>	<p><i>Allocate balloted hunting stands.</i></p>	<p>Ballot draw completed, and hunters advised of shooting stands for the 2020 season.</p>

**1330: Newsletter, Licence holder communications: Effectively inform anglers and hunters of matters relating to Fish & Game and opportunities for increased participation**

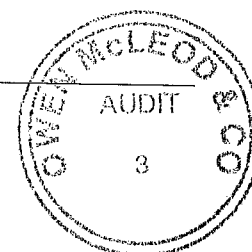
<i>Project and Objective</i>	<i>Performance Measure</i>	<i>Actual Result</i>
<p><b>1331 Electronic Newsletters</b> Prepare and circulate monthly newsletters (e-zines) to clubs.</p>	<p><i>Prepare and circulate 12 monthly electronic newsletters (three Both Barrels and nine Reel Life ezines).</i></p>	<p>Seven 'Reel Life' and three 'Both Barrels' E-zine newsletters were produced and distributed.</p>
<p><b>1332 Fish &amp; Game Publications</b> Prepare articles for inclusion in two issues of Fish and Game</p>	<p><i>(i) Articles submitted to publisher in accordance with</i></p>	<p>(i) Four pages completed for both the Fish &amp; Game game magazine</p>



<p>New Zealand to 2019 whole season game licence holders and 2019-2020 whole season fish licence holders. Prepare and distribute pre-season newsletters.</p>	<p><i>deadlines for mailout of game issue in April 2020, and fish issue in August 2020.</i> (ii) <i>Pre-season fish and game newsletters distributed.</i></p>	<p>supplement (3,522 recipients) and the fishing magazine supplement (8,984 recipients). (ii) No hard copy newsletters published this year but pre-season electronic newsletters sent out.</p>
<p><b>1333 Fish &amp; Game Website</b> Ensure Fish &amp; Game information including access maps on the Eastern Region website is maintained and regularly updated.</p>	<p><i>Report activities to the following meeting of Council.</i></p>	<p>(i) Numerous site updates were made to the Eastern Fish &amp; Game web page during the year. (ii) Reported to Council bi-monthly.</p>
<p><b>1334 Social Media</b> Continue to operate Twitter account and upload material to Facebook page and/or other platforms subject to any R3/national strategy developed prior to or during the 2019-2020 OWP year.</p>	<p><i>Report activities to the following meeting of Council.</i></p>	<p>Regular posts were made to both Facebook and Twitter pages. Facebook is proving to be a useful means of communication, not so for Twitter. Licence holder enquiries are being received via social media.</p>

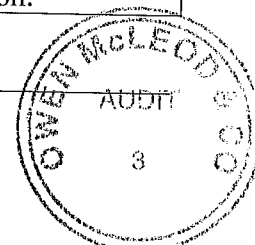
**1340: Informational Publications: Assist anglers and hunters to access the hunting and fishing opportunities of the Eastern Region**

<i>Project and Objective</i>	<i>Performance Measure</i>	Actual Result
<p><b>1341 Information Pamphlets</b> (i) Review and if necessary reprint pamphlets, address information deficiencies and use website and other forms of communication to make access and other information more readily available. (ii) Maintain stocks of information pamphlets with licence agents and other outlets throughout the region.</p>	<p><i>Report on activities to the following meeting of Council.</i></p>	<p>(i) Copy for a new revised boat fishing how-to brochure was produced. Brochure stocks were maintained. (ii) Activities reported to Council at meeting following.</p>



**1350: Angler and Hunter Training: Encourage new participants to take up angling and hunting**

<i>Project and Objective</i>	<i>Performance Measure</i>	<i>Actual Result</i>
<p><b>1351 Junior Angler/Hunter Programmes</b></p> <p>(i) Operate the children's fishing programme in conjunction with the Rotorua Anglers Association and invite participation from other clubs where appropriate.</p> <p>(ii) Continue to provide hunting access to Waewaetutuki Wetland for junior hunters.</p>	<p>(i) <i>Provide sufficient two-year-old fish to support the fishing programme.</i></p> <p>(ii) <i>Provide hunting opportunity at Waewaetutuki Wetland for up to 12 junior hunters.</i></p> <p>(iii) <i>Report activities and participation to the following meetings of Council.</i></p>	<p>(i) Approximately 200 rising 2-year-old rainbow trout were added to the children's pond during the summer.</p> <p>(ii) Provided opportunity at Waewaetutuki and managed novice hunter programme.</p> <p>(iii) Activities reported to Council at meeting following.</p>
<p><b>1352 Angler/Hunter Training</b></p> <p>(i) Provide angler and hunter training information and make available novice hunter/angler starter packs.</p> <p>(ii) Conduct boat angling training seminar(s).</p> <p>(iii) Conduct adult beginner's angling training seminar if sufficient interest available.</p> <p>(iv) Conduct kayak angling training seminar if sufficient interest available.</p> <p>(v) Support hunter education initiatives.</p>	<p>(i) <i>Provide at least one boat angler information seminar and two other angler training seminars.</i></p> <p>(ii) <i>Participate in the HUNTS programme for hunter training.</i></p>	<p>(i) Responded to requests for angler and hunter training information and maintained a supply of starter packs.</p> <p>(ii) Four fishing seminars were held; Gisborne Anglers Club and a Rotoiti residents group in September 2019, a kayak fishing seminar in December 2019, and a boat fishing seminar at Tarawera in January 2020.</p> <p>(iii) Assisted with one HUNTS course.</p>
<p><b>1353 Angler/Hunter Enquiries</b></p> <p>Respond to enquiries for information from anglers and hunters.</p>	<p><i>Provide information and respond to enquiries promptly.</i></p>	<p>Angler/hunter enquiries were responded to in a timely manner.</p>
<p><b>1354 Fishing Competitions</b></p> <p>Review applications to hold fishing competitions and grant permits where appropriate.</p>	<p><i>Respond to applications within five working days and report on permits granted to each meeting of Council.</i></p>	<p>(i) 32 Fishing Competition permits were granted within five days of receipt of application.</p>



		(ii) Reported to Council bi-monthly.
<b>1355 Enhanced Fishery</b> Continue investigation into opportunities for establishing an enhanced trout fishery in the western Bay of Plenty.	<b>Report on activities to the following meeting of Council.</b>	An extensive investigation into the feasibility of an enhanced western BOP fishery was carried out and reported to Council.

**1360: Club Relations: Maintain communications with Fish & Game related clubs**

<i>Project and Objective</i>	<i>Performance Measure</i>	<i>Actual Result</i>
<b>1361 Fish &amp; Game Club Communications</b> Maintain club register and provide news updates to clubs on a monthly basis, and attend club meetings as appropriate.	<b>Attend at least 10 club meetings or other gatherings by 31 August 2020. Report activities to following meeting of Council.</b>	Seven club meetings or events were attended by staff and reported to following meeting of Council.

**1370: Fish and Game Huts**

<i>Project and Objective</i>	<i>Performance Measure</i>	<i>Actual Result</i>
<b>1371 Fish &amp; Game Huts</b> Maintain Fish & Game huts at Waikaremoana and Wairua.	<b>Report maintenance activities to following meeting of Council.</b>	(i) Huts maintained as required. (ii) Activities reported to Council at meeting following.



## PUBLIC INTERFACE

### Goal

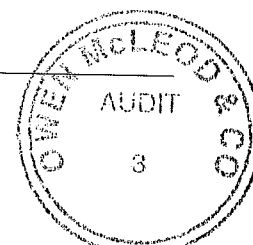
*To maximise public awareness of the values associated with the sports fish and game bird resource, and support for the management role of Fish and Game New Zealand.*

### SUMMARY OF RESOURCES

Code	Project Cluster	Budget			Actual		
		Total Expense	Income	Net Cost	Total Expense	Income	Net Cost
1410	Liaison	\$12,273	\$0	\$12,273	\$13,725	\$0	\$13,725
1420	Communication	\$12,773	\$0	\$12,773	\$9,669	\$0	\$9,669
1440	Public Promotions	\$14,216	\$0	\$14,216	\$8,897	\$0	\$8,897
1450	Visitors/Education	\$39,714	\$0	\$39,714	\$14,739	\$0	\$14,739
	Total	\$78,976	\$0	\$78,976	\$47,030	\$0	\$47,030

#### 1410: Liaison: Avoid conflicts and maintain effective advocacy and liaison with statutory resource management agencies

Project and Objective	Performance Measure	Actual Result
<p><b>1411 Statutory Liaison and Political</b>                      Maintain a structured liaison and advocacy programme with key agencies and individuals. Make submissions to senior Regional Council and DOC staff on significant regional matters. Engage in governor-governor meetings where appropriate. Engage with iwi groups and tribal authorities including Te Uru Taumatua, the Tuhoe Board, and Te Arawa Lakes Trust. Ensure political awareness of Fish &amp; Game activities and support for improved habitat performance.</p>	<p><b>(i) Manager to meet with senior Regional Council and DOC staff at least yearly. Manager and/or staff to attend Conservation Board meetings when matters need to be brought to attention of Board and/or topical issues are on the agenda.</b></p> <p><b>(ii) Manager to meet periodically with Te Uru Taumatua and/or the Tuhoe Board or tribal entities e.g. the Waikaremoana Tribal Authority, and Te Arawa Lakes Trust.</b></p> <p><b>(iii) Manager/ Councillors to visit electorate MPs as appropriate.</b></p> <p><b>(iv) Activities reported to</b></p>	<p>(i) Met with senior Bay of Plenty Regional Council and DOC managers and liaised with various staff as required.</p> <p>(ii) No Conservation Board meetings attended as nothing on Board agendas of relevance to Council nor matters needing to be brought to Conservation Boards within the Eastern Region.</p> <p>(iii) Eastern Fish &amp; Game staff met with Waikaremoana Tribal Authority staff on a number of occasions.</p> <p>(iv) Chair of Council met with East Coast electorate MP.</p> <p>(v) All activities reported to Council at meeting</p>





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**1420: Communication: Develop and maintain effective communication with the wider public, the media, stakeholders, and strategic allies**

<i>Project and Objective</i>	<i>Performance Measure</i>	<i>Actual Result</i>
<p><b>1421 Public Communications</b>                      To advocate the interests of anglers and hunters by maintaining effective communication with non-statutory groups or individuals including farmers, iwi and the general public.</p> <p>(i) Implement regional public awareness programme and identify and pursue marketing opportunities.</p> <p>(ii) Maintain a strong presence in public media.</p> <p>(iii) Engage and communicate with rural community and land owners.                      Develop/maintain relationships with groups such as Federated Farmers, Fonterra, and Dairy NZ.</p> <p>(iv) Engage with iwi.                      Develop/maintain formal relationships with key iwi groups within the region (e.g. Te Arawa), participate in Treaty Settlement processes that affect anglers and hunters, and explore possibilities for collaborative projects, e.g. providing opportunities for junior anglers.</p>	<p><b>(i) Contribute to national public awareness network.</b></p> <p><b>(ii) Manage website for effective licence holder communication and public awareness. Prepare and distribute at least 40 media press releases before 31 August 2020.</b></p> <p><b>(iii) Submit on Treaty Settlements affecting angler/hunter access and develop relationships with key iwi groups.</b></p> <p><b>(iv) Report activities to following meeting of Council.</b></p>	<p>(i) Staff participated in national public awareness and communications Zoom meetings.</p> <p>(ii) Website managed to the extent it is currently possible for regional staff to do, and Twitter/ Facebook account updated as required.</p> <p>(iii) Sixteen media releases were prepared and distributed during the year.</p> <p>(iv) Liaised with Office of Treaty Settlements in relation to access provisions in the easter Bay of</p> <p>(v) Activities reported to Council at meeting following.</p>



**1440: Promotions: Actively promote the work of Fish & Game with the wider public and the media**

<i>Project and Objective</i>	<i>Performance Measure</i>	<i>Actual Result</i>
<p><b>1441 Public Promotions</b> Enhance the profile of Fish &amp; Game NZ as the manager of sports fish and game birds, impart a greater understanding of what it does, and highlight the recreational opportunities available within the region. Seek external sponsorship for tagged fish event.</p>	<p><b>(i) Support national public awareness events.</b> <b>(ii) Prepare articles for angler/hunter magazines.</b> <b>(iii) Work with Destination Rotorua to raise the profile of the Rotorua lakes fisheries.</b> <b>(iv) Conduct a tagged fish event in October 2019.</b> <b>(v) Report activities to following meeting of Council.</b></p>	<p>(i) Provided information to national public awareness initiatives (ii) Prepared articles for magazines. (iii) Maintained connection with Destination Rotorua and worked with i-SITE. (iv) "Rotorua Lakes Fish for Gold" tagged trout promotion conducted at commencement of 2019 angling season. (v) Reported all activities to Council meeting following.</p>

**1460: Visitors /Education: Educate the wider public on the role of Fish & Game New Zealand**

<i>Project and Objective</i>	<i>Performance Measure</i>	<i>Actual Result</i>
<p><b>1451 Education</b> (i) Educate people in sports fish and game bird management, and raise awareness of trout fishing and game bird hunting and the importance of protecting habitat for these and other species. (ii) Maintain use of the Ngongotaha hatchery and grounds as a means of promoting Fish &amp; Game to schools and the wider public.</p>	<p><b>(i) Conduct presentations to groups and provide conducted tours of the hatchery.</b> <b>(ii) Report activities to the following meeting of Council.</b></p>	<p>(i) Tours were provided to four schools/outside organisations. (ii) Reported activities to the following meeting of Council.</p>
<p><b>1452 Maintenance and Enhancement of Grounds and</b> Maintain and enhance facilities for the education and benefit of visitors.</p>	<p><b>Report activities to the following meeting of Council.</b></p>	<p>Grounds and facilities maintained as required and activities reported to the following meeting of Council.</p>



## COMPLIANCE

### Goal

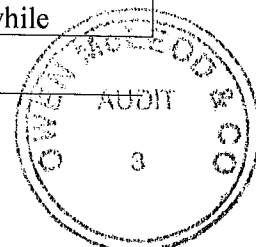
*To protect the sports fish and game bird resource and its user management through enforcement and education of legislative requirements.*

#### SUMMARY OF RESOURCES

Code	Project Cluster	Budget			Actual		
		Total Expense	Income	Net Cost	Total Expense	Income	Net Cost
1510	Ranging	\$61,203	\$0	\$61,203	\$46,516	\$0	\$46,516
1520	Ranger Training	\$7,904	\$0	\$7,904	\$3,041	\$0	\$3,041
1530	Compliance	\$28,012	\$6,000	\$22,012	\$19,927	\$6,398	\$13,529
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$97,119</b>	<b>\$6,000</b>	<b>\$91,119</b>	<b>\$69,484</b>	<b>\$6,398</b>	<b>\$63,086</b>

#### 1510: Ranging: Maintain compliance with angling and hunting regulations through enforcement activities

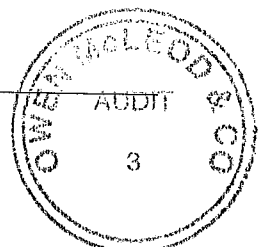
Project and Objective	Performance Measure	Actual Result
<p><b>1511 Ranging</b>                      Maintain a high level of participant contact through enforcement and monitor compliance with licensing and season conditions.</p>	<p><b>Organise ranging activity to achieve 3,000 angler and hunter contacts. Aim for 95% compliance with legal requirements and season regulations from anglers and hunters contacted. Provide report to each meeting of Council.</b></p>	<p>(i) 2,076 angler/hunter contacts were made with organised ranging operations during the year. Ranging was co-ordinated and undertaken across the region. Compliance rate was maintained at just under 98%. 31 persons were dealt with for 42 separate offences (Table 14). Contacts and offences were down due to Covid-19 related factors and fewer anglers being located this year.</p> <p>(ii) Warrantless powers of entry and/or search (Sec 39 Wildlife Act 1953 and Sec 40 Conservation Act 1987) for entry to land were exercised on two occasions while</p>



		<p>carrying out game bird hunter ranging or while investigating alleged fishery offences. This is a lower number than usual due to a change in compliance focus this game season as a consequence once again of constraints imposed by Covid-19.</p> <p>(iii) All activities reported to council bi-monthly.</p>
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**1520: Ranger Training: Ensure effective ranging across the region with suitably trained and resourced personnel**

<i>Project and Objective</i>	<i>Performance Measure</i>	<i>Actual Result</i>
<p><b>1521 Training</b> Manage the regional network of honorary Fish &amp; Game Rangers and ensure that a sufficient level of training and support is provided for both honorary rangers and warranted staff.</p>	<p><b><i>Undertake one organised training exercise for honorary rangers and warranted staff and report to Council by 31 August 2020.</i></b></p>	<p>(i) Ten honorary rangers retained in addition to nine staff rangers.</p> <p>(ii) One regional annual training day conducted, and one other safety training refresher for North Island rangers was organised but had to be deferred until September 2020 due to Covid. Other training sessions were delivered to staff during the year.</p> <p>(iii) Provided National Compliance Co-ordinator services and contributed to other national matters including policy, law changes, and developmental processes associated with the Infringement Notice system/policy.</p> <p>(iv) Reported to all bi-monthly meetings of Council.</p>



**1530: Compliance/Prosecutions: Follow a consistent policy driven approach to dealing with non-compliance to regulations**

<i>Project and Objective</i>	<i>Performance Measure</i>	<i>Actual Result</i>
<b>1531 Prosecutions</b> Follow Council Prosecution Policy guidelines to deal with individuals found unlicensed or in non-compliance with season regulations without just cause.	<b>Report details of case outcomes to each meeting of Council.</b>	(i) Offence resolution as per Table 13. 31 offenders were dealt with for 42 offences. (ii) All matters which met the Solicitor-General's prosecution guidelines and Fish & Game prosecution policy standards were dealt with by Court prosecution with diversion an option as appropriate. (iii) Reported to council bi-monthly.

Table 13: Resolution of offences 2019-2020 year

<b>Resolution Type</b>	<b>Number of offenders</b>
Prosecution – no diversion	5
Prosecution – diversion	12
Warning – adult (includes 2 where Police prosecuted for offences in relation to the overall circumstances)	14
<b>Total</b>	<b>31</b>

Table 14: Offence table 2019-2020 year

<b>Offence name</b>	<b>Number of offences</b>
Fish without licence	15
Fish closed waters	5
Fish with more than 1 rod	3
Fish with illegal bait	1
Fish with illegal tackle	2
Possess net – vicinity of spawning stream	1
Possess sports fish unlawfully taken	1
Fish with unattended rod	1
Fails to give name and or address	1
Hunt without licence	3
Hunt during closed season	2
Hunt from motorised boat	2
Shoot game not in flight	2
Hunt game without lawful authority	1
Hunt game with magazine shotgun – no magazine restriction	2
<b>Total number of offences</b>	<b>42</b>



## LICENSING

### Goal

*To optimise the sale of angling and hunting licences as valued products.*

#### SUMMARY OF RESOURCES

Code	Project Cluster	Budget			Actual		
		Total Expense	Income	Net Cost	Total Expense	Income	Net Cost
1610	Licence Production	\$17,064	\$1,451,310	-\$1,434,246	\$13,989	\$1,303,235	-\$1,289,246
1620	Agent Servicing	\$12,017	\$0	\$12,017	\$5,968	\$0	\$5,968
1630	Agent Payments	\$63,300	\$0	\$63,300	\$51,242	\$0	\$51,242
	Total	\$92,381	\$1,451,310	-\$1,358,929	\$71,199	\$1,303,235	-\$1,232,036

#### 1610: Licensing: Maintain and monitor a readily available and efficient licensing system

Project and Objective	Performance Measure	Actual Result
<b>1611 Licence Production and Distribution</b> Issue fishing and hunting licences and updated regulations in a timely manner.	<i>To have available fish licences and regulation guides for the 2019-2020 season by 1 September 2019, and game licences and regulation guides for the 2020 season by 31 March 2020.</i>	(i) Fish licences and regulation guides were available for purchase on 22 August 2019. (ii) Game licences and regulation guides were available for purchase on 19 March 2020.
<b>1612 Analysis of Licence Information</b> Evaluate licence sales monthly and respond to requests from the national Licence Working Party for specific analyses of licence data concerned with investigating licence holder behaviour in relation to categories, and identify marketing opportunities for increasing licence sales and revenue.	<i>Provide detailed reports of licence sales performance to each meeting of Council.</i>	Licence sales reported to Council bi-monthly and monitored throughout the year.
<b>1613 National Licence Management</b> Support the operation of the national licence management provider.	<i>Report activities to the following meeting of Council.</i>	Liaised with external provider to ensure licence availability, contributed to refining terms and conditions within the new Licencing Administration contract, and reported to Council bi-monthly.



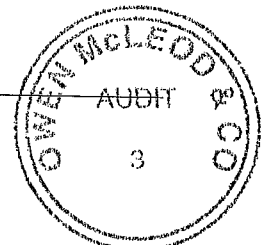
Table 15: Licence sales performance

Code	FISH					Code	GAME				
	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20		2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2019/20
FWA	1,947	2,196	2,176	2,123	1,957	GWA	3,201	3,097	3,144	3,058	2,671
FWJ	478	447	425	397	391	GWJ	343	342	330	305	257
FWF	3,025	2,982	2,876	2,768	2,475						
FSLA	356	354	413	402	445						
FLAA	1,976	1,681	1,617	1,667	1,660						
FWNA	499	553	476	624	492						
FWNJ	22	34	19	28	39						
FWIA	635	568	528	531	461						
FWIJ	0	0	0	0	0						
FLBA	142	111	108	81	77						
FSBA	1,489	1,368	1,172	1,165	1,027						
FDA	6,928	6,416	6,483	4,013	3,550	GDA	217	212	183	155	120
FDNA				1,568	1,351						
FDJ	526	548	508	400	351	GDJ	10	8	2	9	12
FDNJ				49	43						
FWNC				20	21						
FDNC				35	31						
<b>Total</b>	<b>18,023</b>	<b>17,258</b>	<b>16,801</b>	<b>15,871</b>	<b>14,371</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>3,771</b>	<b>3,659</b>	<b>3,659</b>	<b>3,527</b>	<b>3,060</b>
<b>LEQ</b>	<b>10,511</b>	<b>10,339</b>	<b>9,983</b>	<b>9,839</b>	<b>8,962</b>	<b>LEQ</b>	<b>3,313</b>	<b>3,208</b>	<b>3,246</b>	<b>3,152</b>	<b>2,759</b>

FWA -Fish Whole Season Adult, FWJ -Fish Whole Season Junior, FWF - Fish Whole Season Family, FSLA - Fish Loyal Senior Adult (Season), FLAA - Fish Local Area Adult (Season), FWNA - Fish Non Resident Adult (Season), FWNJ - Fish Non Resident Junior (Season), FWIA - Fish Winter Adult, FWIJ - Fish Winter Junior, FLBA - Fish Long Break Adult (9 days), FSBA - Fish Short Break Adult (3 days), FDA - Fish Day Adult, FDNA - Fish Day Non Resident Adult, FDJ - Fish Day Junior, FDNJ - Fish Day Non Resident Junior, FWNC - Fish Non Resident Child (Season), FDNC - Fish Day Non Resident Child. GWA - Game Whole Season Adult, GWJ - Game Whole Season Junior, GDA - Game Day Adult, GDJ - Game Day Junior

**1620: Agent Servicing: Management and support of Fish & Game licensing through licence agents**

Project and Objective	Performance Measure	Actual Result
<p><b>1621 Licence Agent Support</b> Communicate and work with licence agents to support the licence management provided by Eyede, and provide agent training as required.</p>	<p><b>Provide information and respond to enquiries promptly. Complete at least two visits to all significant licence resellers by 31 August 2020.</b></p>	<p>(i) All enquiries were addressed promptly. (ii) 38 licence retailers (agents) maintained within the region. (iii) Regular visits and contacts with all significant licence agents were made, and regular contact with agents was maintained by administration staff.</p>



## COUNCIL

### Goal

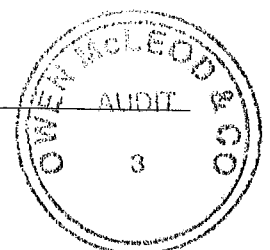
*To provide for the effective governance of the Fish and Game system by fish and game licence holders.*

#### SUMMARY OF RESOURCES

Code	Project Cluster	Budget			Actual		
		Total Expense	Income	Net Cost	Total Expense	Income	Net Cost
1710	Council Elections	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$0
1720	Council Meetings	\$65,954	\$0	\$65,954	\$49,432	\$0	\$49,432
	Total	\$65,954	\$0	\$65,954	\$49,432	\$0	\$49,432

#### 1720: Council Meetings: Effective governance and efficient Council support

<i>Project and Objective</i>	<i>Performance Measure</i>	<i>Actual Result</i>
<b>1721 Council</b> Provide effective direction and support to the management of Council's business. Keep Council informed of relevant regional and national matters. Prepare information reports and agendas for Council meetings and any minutes resulting from these meetings.	<i>Hold at least 6 meetings of the Eastern Fish and Game Council prior to 31 August 2020. Aim to distribute agendas at least eight working days prior to each meeting and draft minutes within 3 weeks of each meeting.</i>	Six regular Council meetings were held prior to 31 August 2020. All agendas were distributed within required time, and draft minutes distributed as soon as practicable after each meeting.





## PLANNING AND REPORTING

### Goal

*To ensure cost effective and appropriate business management of the fish and game resource.*

#### SUMMARY OF RESOURCES

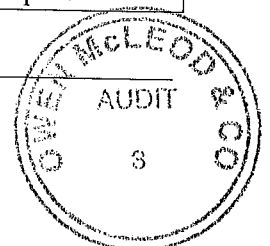
Code	Project Cluster	Budget			Actual		
		Total Expense	Income	Net Cost	Total Expense	Income	Net Cost
1810	Management Planning	\$0	\$0	\$0	\$1,134	\$0	\$1,134
1820	Annual Planning	\$7,926	\$0	\$7,926	\$5,848	\$0	\$5,848
1830	Reporting	\$44,598	\$0	\$44,598	\$37,498	\$0	\$37,498
1840	National Liaison	\$29,504	\$0	\$29,504	\$43,609	\$0	\$43,609
	<b>Total</b>	<b>\$82,028</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$82,028</b>	<b>\$88,089</b>	<b>\$0</b>	<b>\$88,089</b>

#### 1820: Annual Planning

<i>Project and Objective</i>	<i>Performance Measure</i>	<i>Actual Result</i>
<b>1821 OWP Preparation</b> Prepare an operational work plan for the 2020-2021 year.	<b><i>The adoption of a proposed operational work plan for 2020-2021 by the Council by 31 August 2020.</i></b>	2020-2021 Operational Work Plan adopted by Council at meeting of Council 13 August 2020.

#### 1830: Reporting and Audit

<i>Project and Objective</i>	<i>Performance Measure</i>	<i>Actual Result</i>
<b>1831 Performance Report</b> Prepare a Performance Report including the Statement of Service Performance and Financial Statements for the 2018-2019 year.	<b><i>Conduct quarterly reviews of performance against OWP targets with staff; produce an Annual Performance Report for the 2018-2019 financial year.</i></b>	(i) Periodic reviews of performance against OWP targets were undertaken with staff. (ii) Financial statements for the 2018-2019 year were prepared and audited in October 2019. A SOSR was completed and included in the audited statement of accounts.
<b>1832 Audit</b> Arrange to have the Performance Report for the 2018-2019 year audited in accordance with the Public Audit Act 2001.	<b><i>Audit of the annual Performance Report for the 2018-2019 financial year in time for the public annual general meeting.</i></b>	Unqualified audit opinion issued 28 November 2019.
<b>1833 Annual Meeting</b>	<b><i>Adoption of the audited</i></b>	(i) Annual Report



<p>Conduct a public annual general meeting no later than 31 December 2019.</p>	<p><i>2018-2019 annual report by Council, and presentation of it to a public annual general meeting no later than 31 December 2019; presentation of the report to the Minister of Conservation.</i></p>	<p>adopted by Council and presented to annual general meeting on 5 December 2019. (ii) Report sent to Department of Conservation, Wellington on 6 December 2019.</p>
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**1840: National Liaison**

<i>Project and Objective</i>	<i>Performance Measure</i>	<i>Actual Result</i>
<p><b>1841 New Zealand Fish &amp; Game Liaison</b> Maintain effective liaison with New Zealand Fish &amp; Game and meet all statutory requirements. Contribute to the efficient management of Fish &amp; Game nationally through meetings of Regional Fish &amp; Game Council managers and participate in working parties, networks and national research and monitoring.</p>	<p><i>Attend all meetings of the Regional Fish &amp; Game Council managers and participate where required with working parties established by the New Zealand Council.</i></p>	<p>(i) All Managers meetings attended (one in person, two by Zoom). (ii) Staff undertook or contributed to national roles including North Island compliance co-ordination, licence working party, finance review committee, the national game bird hunter survey and game bird research and monitoring groups, the public awareness network, and the R3 reference group.</p>



## **Eastern Fish and Game Council**

### **FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

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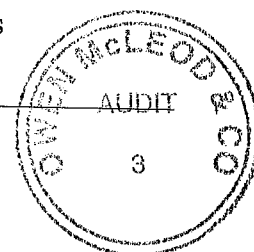
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**EASTERN FISH AND GAME COUNCIL**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL PERFORMANCE**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020**

	Note	Actual 2020 \$	Budget 2020 \$	Actual 2019 \$
<b>REVENUE</b>				
Fish and Game licence sales	1	1,303,235	1,451,310	1,404,621
Grants and donations	1	85,104	4,750	20,803
Interest	1	24,350	25,388	31,450
Other revenue	1	213,298	162,566	214,277
<b>Total Revenue</b>		<b>1,625,987</b>	<b>1,644,014</b>	<b>1,671,151</b>
<b>EXPENSES</b>				
<b>Outputs</b>				
Species management	2	105,926	137,850	120,779
Habitat protection & management	2	17,408	34,250	38,192
Angler & Hunter participation	2	13,183	19,950	19,330
Public interface	2	1,915	7,000	1,837
Compliance	2	2,349	7,500	7,704
Licensing	2	51,864	64,000	57,235
Council	2	3,004	9,000	4,914
Planning & reporting	2	9,555	9,285	8,594
<b>Overheads</b>				
Employee related costs	2	956,129	940,632	931,343
Depreciation	4	76,962	74,203	74,246
Other expenses	2	145,966	129,393	136,160
<b>Total Expenses</b>		<b>1,384,261</b>	<b>1,433,063</b>	<b>1,400,334</b>
<b>Operating Surplus/(Deficit)</b>		<b>241,726</b>	<b>210,951</b>	<b>270,817</b>
<b>Less Other Expenses</b>				
Levies to NZFGC		215,406	215,406	244,143
<b>NET SURPLUS/(DEFICIT)</b>		<b>26,320</b>	<b>(4,455)</b>	<b>26,674</b>

The accompanying notes form an integral part of these financial statements



**EASTERN FISH AND GAME COUNCIL**  
**STATEMENT OF FINANCIAL POSITION**  
**AS AT 31 AUGUST 2020**

	Note	Actual 2020 \$	Budget 2020 \$	Actual 2019 \$
<b>ASSETS</b>				
<b>Current Assets</b>				
Bank accounts and cash	3	263,009	120,200	127,793
Debtors and prepayments	3	140,265	125,445	141,903
Investments	3	872,615	920,000	902,196
Inventory	3	161,122	146,920	146,920
<b>Total Current Assets</b>		<b>1,437,011</b>	<b>1,312,565</b>	<b>1,318,812</b>
<b>Non-Current Assets</b>				
Property, plant and equipment	4	743,183	743,454	778,801
Investments	3	-	-	-
Forestry Asset	3	91,600	131,600	131,600
<b>Total Non-Current Assets</b>		<b>834,783</b>	<b>875,054</b>	<b>910,401</b>
<b>TOTAL ASSETS</b>		<b>2,271,794</b>	<b>2,187,619</b>	<b>2,229,213</b>
<b>LIABILITIES</b>				
<b>Current Liabilities</b>				
Creditors and accrued expenses	3	226,710	171,000	207,137
Employee costs payable	3	128,690	131,000	132,002
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>		<b>355,400</b>	<b>302,000</b>	<b>339,139</b>
<b>TOTAL LIABILITES</b>		<b>355,400</b>	<b>302,000</b>	<b>339,139</b>
<b>NET ASSETS</b>		<b>1,916,394</b>	<b>1,885,619</b>	<b>1,890,074</b>
<b>EQUITY</b>		<b>1,916,394</b>	<b>1,885,619</b>	<b>1,890,074</b>

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**EASTERN FISH AND GAME COUNCIL**  
**STATEMENT OF CASH FLOWS**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020**

	Actual 2020 \$	Budget 2020 \$	Actual 2019 \$
<b>CASH FLOWS FROM OPERATING ACTIVITIES</b>			
<b>Cash was received from:</b>			
Licence Sales	1,321,529	1,417,148	1,409,075
Grants, donations and fundraising	85,104	4,750	20,803
Interest	27,377	25,722	31,574
Other revenue	180,160	156,189	229,421
<b>Cash was applied to:</b>			
Payments to suppliers	526,689	619,153	711,598
Payments to employees	959,441	941,634	931,768
GST (net)	(12,397)	811	(828)
<b>Net Cash Flows from Operating Activities</b>	<b>140,437</b>	<b>42,211</b>	<b>48,335</b>
<b>CASHFLOW FROM INVESTING &amp; FINANCING ACTIVITIES</b>			
<b>Cash was received from:</b>			
Sale of property, plant and equipment	73,108	76,000	53,134
Sale of investments/deposits	29,581	-	-
<b>Cash was applied to:</b>			
Purchase of property, plant and equipment	107,910	108,000	83,147
Purchase of investments/deposits	-	17,804	15,740
<b>Net Cash Flows from Investing and Financing</b>	<b>(5,221)</b>	<b>(49,804)</b>	<b>(45,753)</b>
<b>Net Increase / (Decrease) in Cash</b>	<b>135,216</b>	<b>(7,593)</b>	<b>2,582</b>
<b>Opening Cash</b>	<b>127,793</b>	<b>127,793</b>	<b>125,211</b>
<b>Closing Cash</b>	<b>263,009</b>	<b>120,200</b>	<b>127,793</b>
<b>This is represented by:</b>			
Bank accounts and cash	263,009	120,200	127,793

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**EASTERN FISH AND GAME COUNCIL**  
**Statement of Accounting Policies**

**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020**

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**ACCOUNTING POLICIES APPLIED**

**Reporting Entity**

The Eastern Fish and Game Council is a Public Entity under the Public Finance Act 1989 (Schedule 4). The Council was established on 4 May 1991 with the passing of the Conservation Law Reform Act 1990.

These financial statements have been prepared in accordance with Section 153-6 of the Crown Entities Act 2004.

**Basis of Preparation**

Eastern Fish and Game has elected to apply PBE SFR-A (PS) Public Benefit Entity Simple Format Reporting - Accrual (Public Sector) on the basis that it does not have public accountability and has total annual expenses of equal to or less than \$2,000,000. All transactions in the Performance Report are reported using the accrual basis of accounting. The Performance Report is prepared under the assumption that the entity will continue to operate in the foreseeable future.

**Goods and Services Tax (GST)**

The Council is registered for GST. All amounts are recorded exclusive of GST, except for Debtors and Creditors which are stated inclusive of GST.

**SPECIFIC ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

**Revenue Recognition**

Eastern Fish and Game Council derives revenue through the sale of fish and game licences, interest, sale of fish product, contracts, rentals, grants and miscellaneous sales.

*Licence Revenue*

Licence revenue is recognised in the period the licence fee is earned, for example, a fish licence sold in August of the current year which relates to the next fishing season is treated as income in advance.

*Grants Received*

Grants are recognised as revenue when they become receivable unless there is an obligation in substance to return the funds if conditions of the grant are not met. If there is such an obligation, the grants are initially recorded as grants received in advance and recognised as revenue when the conditions of the grant is satisfied.

*Interest*

Interest revenue is recorded as it is earned during the year.



*Other Income*

Income from contracts, rentals and miscellaneous sales are recorded as revenue in the period they are earned.

**Outputs**

The Council has allocated expenditure based on the 8 output codes - Species management, Habitat protection & management, Angler & Hunter participation, Public interface, Compliance, Licensing, Council, and Planning & reporting. These are expensed when the related service has been received.

**Employee related costs**

Wages, salaries, and annual leave are recorded as an expense as staff provide services and become entitled to wages, salaries. Performance payments are recorded when the employee is notified. Superannuation contributions are recorded as an expense as staff provide services.

**Levies to NZFGC**

A levy is paid each year to the New Zealand Fish and Game Council for the administration of the New Zealand Fish and Game Council, or redistribution to other Council and for advocacy and research.

**Bank accounts and cash**

Bank Accounts and cash comprise cash on hand, cheque or savings accounts, and deposits held at call with banks.

**Debtors and prepayments**

Debtors are initially recorded at the amount owed. When it is likely the amount owed (or some portion) will not be collected, a provision for impairment is recognised and the loss is recorded as a bad debt expense.

**Investments**

Investments comprise investments in term deposits with banks. Deposits with banks are initially recorded at the amount paid. If it appears that the carrying amount of the investment will not be recovered, it will be written down to the expected recoverable amount.

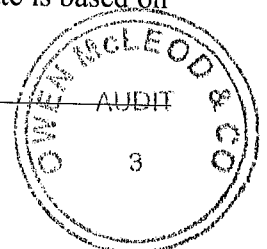
**Forestry Asset**

The Forestry asset comprises Douglas fir planted on lands owned by the Eastern Fish and Game Council located at 1130 Paradise Valley Road, Rotorua. The net stocked area of approximately 2.65 hectares was planted in 1980.

The Forestry asset was valued as at 31 August 2020 by Andrew Clark, Registered Forestry Consultant (NZIF), of PF Olsen Ltd, forest consultants and managers.

The valuation uses a method that is widely accepted by New Zealand forestry companies, insurers, consultants and investors. The method meets the New Zealand Institute of Forestry (NZIF) Forest Valuation Standards. This method also meets the applicable accounting standard NZ IAS 41.

The value of the tree crop is assessed by discounting projected future costs and revenues post-tax at 6.0%. The tax position adopted is that of a potential purchaser. The 6.0% discount rate is based on





analyses of forest sales that have taken place in New Zealand prior to the date of the valuation. The methodology adopted described in the New Zealand Institute of Forestry (NZIF) Forest Valuation Standards (May 1999)

### **Inventory**

Inventories held for distribution consist of yearlings and 2+ year old trout held at year end for release into the local lakes and rivers or sale to other Fish and Game Councils. Trout are valued at the lower of cost and their selling price.

### **Property, plant and equipment**

Property, plant and equipment is recorded at cost, less accumulated depreciation and impairment losses.

Significant donated assets are recognised upon receipt at valuation. Significant donated assets for which current values are not readily obtainable are not recognised.

Depreciation is charged on all property, plant and equipment other than land, so as to spread the cost of the asset over its useful life. Depreciation for each of the major categories of assets is calculated on the basis noted below:

All Assets Purchased prior to 1 September 2010 are calculated as:

	<u>Life</u>	<u>Depreciation Method</u>
Buildings	40 years	Straight Line
Plant & Equipment	2-10 years	Diminishing Value
Motor Vehicles	3-5 years	Diminishing Value
Office Fittings, Furniture & Equipment	2-10 years	Diminishing Value

All Assets Purchased after 1 September 2010 are calculated as:

	<u>Life</u>	<u>Depreciation Method</u>
Buildings	40 years	Straight Line
Buildings Fit Out	8-20 years	Straight Line
Plant & Equipment	2-20 years	Straight Line
Motor Vehicles	10 years	Straight Line
Office Fittings, Furniture & Equipment	2-20 years	Straight Line

### **Creditors and accrued expenses**

Creditors and accrued expenses are measured at the amount owed.

### **Game Bird Habitat Stamp levy**

Levies are collected and paid to New Zealand Fish and Game Council per the New Zealand Game Bird habitat Stamp Regulations 1993. The levy is \$4 for every game licence sold within the financial year.

### **Employee costs payable**

A liability for employee costs payable is recognised when an employee has earned an entitlement. These include salaries and wages accrued up to balance date and annual leave earned but not yet taken



at balance date. A liability and expense for long service leave and retirement gratuities is recognised when the entitlement becomes available to the employee.

### **Restricted and dedicated reserves**

Restricted and dedicated reserves are those reserves subject to specific conditions accepted as binding by the Council and which may not be revised by the Council without specified purposes or when certain conditions are met.

#### *Asset Replacement Reserve*

The asset replacement reserve is a reserve set up to enable Council to replace property, plant and equipment.

#### *Non-Resident Levy Reserve*

The Non-Resident Levy Reserve is for the purpose of management of fisheries popular with non-resident anglers. The reserve was established with the introduction of the Non-Resident Licence in 2014. A portion of the Non-Resident licence fee is transferred to this reserve based on the number of Non-Resident licence sales made within the financial year.

#### *Breeding Programme Reserve*

The Breeding Programme Reserve is for the purpose of upgrading the fish breeding facility on the hatchery site. The reserve has been established in response to a donation received from a licence holder whose wishes were that the funds be utilised for the Rotorua lakes fish breeding programme.

#### *Fish for Gold Reserve*

The Fish for Gold Reserve has been established to provide for the Fish for Gold promotion major prize in years where external sponsorship or insurance is unable to be obtained or is insufficient to meet the total prize value. If insurance for the prize is unobtainable, funds allocated each operational year to insure the prize will be transferred to the reserve. The promotion involves the tag and release of 30 rainbow trout with specially marked tags, one of these tags has the major cash prize attached to it.

#### *Waikaremoana Sport Fish Habitat Enhancement Fund*

The Waikaremoana Sport Fish Habitat Enhancement Trust was created in 1999. In 2000 the trust was wound up and the funds transferred to the Eastern Fish and Game Council under agreement that the Fish and Game Council undertakes to apply the settlement received for the sole purpose of promoting purposes and objectives as set out within the deed of transfer dated 27 June 2000. These funds are held on term investment with interest capitalising and annual expenses associated with the objectives of the trust withdrawn on maturity of the investment.

### **Income tax**

The Council is a Public Benefit Entity and is exempt from the payment of Income tax in terms of the Income Tax Act 2007.

### **Budget figures**

The Budget figures are derived from the Council budget that was approved at the Council meeting in December 2019.



**Tier 2 PBE Accounting Standards applied**

The Council has not applied any Tier 2 Accounting Standards in preparing its financial statements, except for forestry assets.

**CHANGES IN ACCOUNTING POLICIES**

There have been no changes in Accounting Policy.

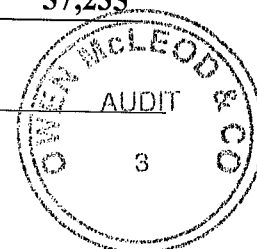


**EASTERN FISH AND GAME COUNCIL**  
**NOTES TO THE PERFORMANCE REPORT**  
**FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31 AUGUST 2020**

<b>Note 1: ANALYSIS OF REVENUE</b>	<b>Actual 2020 \$</b>	<b>Budget 2020 \$</b>	<b>Actual 2019 \$</b>
<b>Licence sales</b>			
Fish licence	1,042,914	1,141,024	1,111,245
Non Resident Fish Licence Levy	36,405	44,634	39,165
Game licence	223,916	265,652	254,211
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,303,235</b>	<b>1,451,310</b>	<b>1,404,621</b>
<b>Grants and donations</b>			
Covid 19 Subsidy	81,526		
Rainbow Springs Nature Park	2,000	4,000	4,000
Donations received	1,578	750	1,662
New Zealand Fish & Game Council	-	-	15,141
<b>Total</b>	<b>85,104</b>	<b>4,750</b>	<b>20,803</b>
<b>Interest</b>			
Waikaremoana interest	12,487	11,790	15,908
Other Interest	11,863	13,598	15,542
<b>Total</b>	<b>24,350</b>	<b>25,388</b>	<b>31,450</b>
<b>Other revenue</b>			
Sale of fish & product	78,902	81,000	82,391
Habitat grazing	6,147	6,150	6,147
Habitat fees - ballots	5,686	7,000	6,555
Fishing competitions	4,109	4,500	4,570
Diversion for junior angler/hunter education	4,850	2,500	5,650
Reparation	-	-	-
Fines/Prosecutions	6,398	6,000	5,272
Contract work	33,112	14,210	26,910
Rentals	47,138	33,200	37,419
Other Income categories	6,212	1,150	5,733
Gain on sale/disposal of assets	6,542	6,856	8,471
Gain on valuation of Forestry asset	-	-	1,600
Trout Inventory Revaluation	14,202	-	23,559
<b>Total</b>	<b>213,298</b>	<b>162,566</b>	<b>214,277</b>



<b>Note 2: ANALYSIS OF EXPENSES</b>	<b>Actual 2020 \$</b>	<b>Budget 2020 \$</b>	<b>Actual 2019 \$</b>
<b>Species management</b>			
Population monitoring	27,014	53,500	33,093
Harvest assessment	1,803	2,400	1,975
Hatchery operations	77,109	81,450	85,542
Releases	-	-	-
Control	-	500	169
<b>Total</b>	<b>105,926</b>	<b>137,850</b>	<b>120,779</b>
<b>Habitat protection &amp; management</b>			
Resource management	-	200	9,521
Works & management	16,349	21,000	20,666
Assisted habitat	331	3,700	3,240
Waikaremoana fund	728	9,350	4,765
<b>Total</b>	<b>17,408</b>	<b>34,250</b>	<b>38,192</b>
<b>Angler &amp; Hunter participation</b>			
Access	4,704	7,200	5,436
Newsletters	6,154	8,500	8,666
Other publications	160	2,000	2,250
Training	289	800	473
Huts	1,876	1,450	2,505
<b>Total</b>	<b>13,183</b>	<b>19,950</b>	<b>19,330</b>
<b>Public interface</b>			
Communication	240	500	-
Public promotions	1,139	4,500	333
Visitor facilities	536	2,000	1,504
<b>Total</b>	<b>1,915</b>	<b>7,000</b>	<b>1,837</b>
<b>Compliance</b>			
Ranging	804	1,500	2,843
Ranger training	356	1,000	804
Compliance	1,189	5,000	4,057
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,349</b>	<b>7,500</b>	<b>7,704</b>
<b>Licensing</b>			
Licence production & distribution	622	700	599
Commission	51,242	63,300	56,636
<b>Total</b>	<b>51,864</b>	<b>64,000</b>	<b>57,235</b>



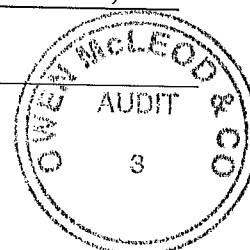
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Note 2: ANALYSIS OF EXPENSES continued...	Actual 2020 \$	Budget 2020 \$	Actual 2019 \$
<b>Council</b>			
Council meetings	3,004	9,000	4,914
<b>Total</b>	<b>3,004</b>	<b>9,000</b>	<b>4,914</b>
<b>Planning &amp; reporting</b>			
Management/Strategic Planning	-	-	-
Reporting	-	1,000	267
Audit fee	9,450	8,185	8,185
National liaison	105	100	142
<b>Total</b>	<b>9,555</b>	<b>9,285</b>	<b>8,594</b>
<b>Employee related costs</b>			
Salaries	908,834	890,894	878,958
Salaries Waikaremoana fund projects	4,480	-	6,120
KiwiSaver contributions	26,673	25,838	25,456
Fringe benefit tax	11,031	12,000	11,444
ACC levies	2,274	2,500	2,238
Staff training and other expenses	2,837	9,400	7,127
<b>Total</b>	<b>956,129</b>	<b>940,632</b>	<b>931,343</b>
<b>Other expenses</b>			
Houses, huts & rentals	8,333	14,675	21,661
Office premises	17,423	20,570	22,549
Office equipment	2,182	3,600	4,220
Communications	15,270	17,750	17,832
General	10,309	10,598	10,352
Field equipment	10,199	16,200	16,133
Vehicles	42,250	46,000	43,413
Loss on sale/disposal of assets	-	-	-
Trout Inventory Revaluation	-	-	-
Loss on valuation of Forestry asset	40,000	-	-
<b>Total</b>	<b>145,966</b>	<b>129,393</b>	<b>136,160</b>



**Note 3: ANALYSIS OF ASSETS AND LIABILITES**

	<b>Actual 2020 \$</b>	<b>Actual 2019 \$</b>
<b>Bank accounts and cash</b>		
Current account balance	31,091	8,818
Savings account balance	231,718	118,775
Petty cash	200	200
<b>Total</b>	<b>263,009</b>	<b>127,793</b>
<b>Debtors and prepayments</b>		
Accounts receivable	125,509	76,081
GST receivable	-	8,634
Prepayments & accrued income	14,756	57,188
<b>Total</b>	<b>140,265</b>	<b>141,903</b>
<b>Inventory</b>		
Trout - Yearlings @ \$3.10	155,155	126,150
Trout - 2+ year olds @ \$6.63	5,967	20,770
<b>Total</b>	<b>161,122</b>	<b>146,920</b>
<b>Investments</b>		
<i>Current portion</i>		
Term Deposits	872,615	902,196
<b>Total</b>	<b>872,615</b>	<b>902,196</b>
<b>Forestry Asset</b>		
Opening balance	131,600	130,000
Gain (Loss) arising from revaluation	(40,000)	1,600
<b>Closing balance</b>	<b>91,600</b>	<b>131,600</b>
<b>Creditors and accrued expenses</b>		
Trade and other payables	13,692	37,715
Gamebird Habitat Stamp levy	12,823	11,115
Accrued expenses	8,879	10,687
GST payable	3,763	-
Income in advance	187,553	147,620
<b>Total</b>	<b>226,710</b>	<b>207,137</b>
<b>Employee costs payable</b>		
Accrued salaries and wages	2,886	35,675
Annual leave and time in lieu	97,413	75,080
PAYE owing	28,391	21,247
<b>Total</b>	<b>128,690</b>	<b>132,002</b>



**Note 4: PROPERTY PLANT & EQUIPMENT**

**2020**

<b>Asset Class</b>	<b>Opening Carrying Amount</b>	<b>Purchases</b>	<b>Sales/ Disposals</b>	<b>Current Year Depreciation and Impairment</b>	<b>Closing Carrying Amount</b>
Land	93,500				93,500
Buildings	397,937			27,827	370,110
Plant & Equipment	47,628			8,011	39,617
Vehicles	222,961	104,456	66,566	32,800	228,051
Office Equipment	16,775	3,454		8,324	11,905
<b>Total</b>	<b>778,801</b>	<b>107,910</b>	<b>66,566</b>	<b>76,962</b>	<b>743,183</b>

**2019**

<b>Asset Class</b>	<b>Opening Carrying Amount</b>	<b>Purchases</b>	<b>Sales/ Disposals</b>	<b>Current Year Depreciation and Impairment</b>	<b>Closing Carrying Amount</b>
Land	93,500				93,500
Buildings	409,529	15,456		27,048	397,937
Plant & Equipment	56,494			8,866	47,628
Vehicles	229,960	67,691	44,663	30,027	222,961
Office Equipment	25,080			8,305	16,775
<b>Total</b>	<b>814,563</b>	<b>83,147</b>	<b>44,663</b>	<b>74,246</b>	<b>778,801</b>

**Note 5: EQUITY**

	<b>Actual 2020</b>	<b>Actual 2019</b>
	<b>\$</b>	<b>\$</b>
<b>Accumulated Funds</b>		
Balance as at 1 September	1,243,858	1,286,891
Surplus/(Deficit)	26,320	26,674
Transfer to Reserves	(56,284)	(80,592)
Transfer from Reserves	5,208	10,885
<b>Total Accumulated Funds</b>	<b>1,219,102</b>	<b>1,243,858</b>





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**Note 5: EQUITY**

Continued...

	Actual 2020 \$	Actual 2019 \$
<b><u>Dedicated Reserves</u></b>		
<b>Asset Replacement Reserve</b>		
Balance as at 1 September	80,877	63,859
Transfer from Accumulated Funds	5,908	17,018
Transfer to Accumulated Funds	-	-
<b>Balance at 31 August</b>	<b>86,785</b>	<b>80,877</b>
<b>Non Resident Levy Reserve</b>		
Balance as at 1 September	98,802	59,636
Transfer from Accumulated Funds	34,405	39,166
Transfer to Accumulated Funds	-	-
<b>Balance at 31 August</b>	<b>133,207</b>	<b>98,802</b>
<b>Breeding Programme Reserve</b>		
Balance as at 1 September	5,000	-
Transfer from Accumulated Funds	-	5,000
Transfer to Accumulated Funds	-	-
<b>Balance at 31 August</b>	<b>5,000</b>	<b>5,000</b>
<b>Fish for Gold Reserve</b>		
Balance as at 1 September	3,500	-
Transfer from Accumulated Funds	3,500	3,500
Transfer to Accumulated Funds	-	-
<b>Balance at 31 August</b>	<b>7,000</b>	<b>3,500</b>
<b>Total Dedicated Reserves</b>	<b>231,992</b>	<b>188,179</b>
<b><u>Restricted Reserves</u></b>		
<b>Waikaremoana Sportfish Habitat Enhancement Fund Reserve</b>		
Balance as at 1 September	458,037	453,014
Transfer from Accumulated Funds - Interest	12,471	15,908
Transfer to Accumulated Funds - Expenses	(5,208)	(10,885)
<b>Balance at 31 August</b>	<b>465,300</b>	<b>458,037</b>
<b>Total Restricted Reserves</b>	<b>465,300</b>	<b>458,037</b>
<b>Total Equity as at 31 August</b>	<b>1,916,394</b>	<b>1,890,074</b>



**Note 6: COMMITMENTS & CONTINGENCIES**

<b>Commitment to: Explanation and Timing</b>	<b>Actual 2020</b>	<b>Actual 2019</b>
Smartpay NZ Eftpos lease (8 months remaining)	\$ 230	\$ 575
	<u>230</u>	<u>575</u>

**Contingent Liabilities and Guarantees**

There are no contingent liabilities or guarantees as at balance date (Last Year - nil)

**Note 7: OTHER**

**Goods or Services Provided to the Entity in Kind**

<b>Description</b>	<b>Amount</b>
Honorary Ranging activities	No charge
Councillor meetings and events	No charge

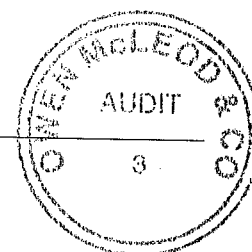
**Note 8: RIGHT TO OCCUPY**

The accommodation building at Waikaremoana is used under a Licence to Occupy for a period of 10 years (expiring on 31 December 2023) at no cost from the Department of Conservation. The total land area is approximately 400 m<sup>2</sup>. No use of building cost has been accrued due to the immaterial value of the rental.

The fish trap located at Te Wairoa is subject to a management agreement with the Department of Conservation which enables the Eastern Fish and Game Council to occupy the site for a renewable 5 year term through to September 2028. Occupation of the site at which the Wairua Hut at Lake Tarawera is located is subject to a renewable 10 year concession issued by the Department of Conservation through to July 2038. There are no fees charged with either of these agreements. The land area for each is approximately 15m<sup>2</sup> and 200m<sup>2</sup> respectively – no cost has been accrued for the use of the property, in the accounts, due to the immateriality of the rental.

Eastern Fish and Game Council has access to eight Wildlife Management Reserves within the Rotorua/BOP Department of Conservation Conservancy. EFGC do not own this land but are required to maintain it for the use by the public and licence holders. Likewise, the Hardcastle and Rawhiti wetlands are managed by EFGC for the public benefit and for the benefit of licence holders.

ERFGC has conservation covenants for angler access to Ohau Channel, Te Wairoa Stream, and Wairua Stream mouth, Lake Tarawera and other easements under the Land Act 1948 along the Waikato River.



**Note 9: RELATED PARTY TRANSACTIONS**

Related-party disclosures have not been made for transactions with related parties that are within a normal supplier of client/recipient relationship on terms and conditions no more or less favourable than those that it is reasonable to expect the Council would have adopted in dealing with the party at arm's length in the same circumstances.

*Related-party transactions significant to the Council that require disclosure:*

Related Party & Description of the Transactions	2020 \$ Value	2019 \$ Value	2020 \$ Amount Outstandin g	2019 \$ Amount Outstandin g
<i>Received from;</i>				
New Zealand Fish & Game Council For - Contract services, legal and research fund reimbursement	10,622	20,001	3,065	1,397
Hawke's Bay Fish & Game Council For - Administrative support and operational services by Eastern Council to Hawke's Bay Council	10,207	22,050	1,049	3,220
<i>Paid to;</i>				
New Zealand Fish & Game Council For - Levies, Gamebird Habitat Trust, Liability Insurance	261,834	253,808	12,823	11,115
Hawke's Bay Fish & Game Council For - Operational services by Hawke's Bay Council to Eastern Council	-	-	-	-

Eastern Fish and Game Council provides fish to the following fish and game Councils at cost;

- Auckland Waikato Fish and Game Council
- Hawke's Bay Fish & Game Council
- Northland Fish & Game Council
- Taranaki Fish & Game Council
- Wellington Fish & Game Council

**Note 10: EVENTS AFTER BALANCE DATE**

There were no events that have occurred after the balance date that would have a material impact on the Performance Report. (Last Year Nil)



**Note 11: COVID RESPONSE**

Covid-19 has had a financial impact on the Eastern Fish and Game Council. Licence revenue was reduced due to the lock down and the closure of the New Zealand borders. At the beginning of the lockdown there was uncertainty as to whether there would be a game season, however, positive lobbying from the New Zealand Fish and Game Council (NZFGC) ensured that there was a Game season, all be it, delayed and shortened. This softened the financial impact of reduced income. The Eastern Fish and Game Council opted to apply for the Wage subsidy, as it met the criteria and wanted to ensure all our staff were fully employed. The 2019/20 budgets were scrutinised, and only essential work and spending was undertaken in order to reduce the impact of reduced licence income.

There has been a national response to the next financial year (2020/21) and the Eastern Fish and Game Council has reduced the budget for the 2020/21 year along with a reduced projection of licence income. The Eastern Fish and Game Council has accepted that in the 2020/21 year it will use reserves to cover any shortfalls.

The NZFGC has established a policy to support any Fish and Game region to ensure liquidity and to ensure that all Fish and Game Councils remain a going concern.



**Note 12: ALLOCATION OF OVERHEADS TO OUTPUT AREAS FOR 2020**

In the Statement of service performance, overheads are allocated across the 8 Output areas based on the hours worked within those Outputs over the year. Below is the calculation for distributing the overheads across the output area.

<b>ACTUAL 2020 Output Area</b>	<b>Actual Direct \$</b>	<b>Actual Hours</b>	<b>Allocation of Overheads</b>	<b>Allocation of per Output</b>
Species management	105,926	6,851	408,841	514,767
Habitat protection & management	17,408	3,252	194,067	211,475
Angler & hunter participation	13,183	1,843	109,983	123,166
Public interface	1,915	756	45,115	47,030
Compliance	2,349	1,125	67,135	69,484
Licensing	51,864	324	19,335	71,199
Council	3,004	778	46,428	49,432
Planning & reporting	9,555	1,316	78,534	88,089
<b>Totals</b>	<b>205,204</b>	<b>16,245</b>	<b>969,438</b>	<b>1,174,642</b>

**Actual Overheads**

Employee related costs	956,129
Depreciation	76,962
Other expenses	105,966
less Administrative Income	- 169,619
<b>Total Overheads to Allocate</b>	<b>969,438</b>

<b>BUDGET 2020 Output Area</b>	<b>Actual Direct \$</b>	<b>Actual Hours</b>	<b>Allocation of Overheads</b>	<b>Allocation of per Output</b>
Species management	137,850	6,771	432,816	570,666
Habitat protection & management	34,250	3,414	218,229	252,479
Angler & Hunter participation	19,950	2,000	127,844	147,794
Public interface	7,000	1,126	71,976	78,976
Compliance	7,500	1,402	89,619	97,119
Licensing	64,000	444	28,381	92,381
Council	9,000	891	56,954	65,954
Planning & reporting	9,285	1,138	72,743	82,028
<b>Totals</b>	<b>288,835</b>	<b>17,186</b>	<b>1,098,562</b>	<b>1,387,397</b>

**Budget Overheads**

Employee related costs	940,632
Depreciation	74,203
Other Expenses	129,393
less Administrative Income	- 45,666
<b>Total Overheads to Allocate</b>	<b>1,098,562</b>

