



# **TARANAKI FISH & GAME COUNCIL**

## **AGENDA PAPERS COUNCIL MEETING**

**SATURDAY  
18<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2023**

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

**Taranaki Region**

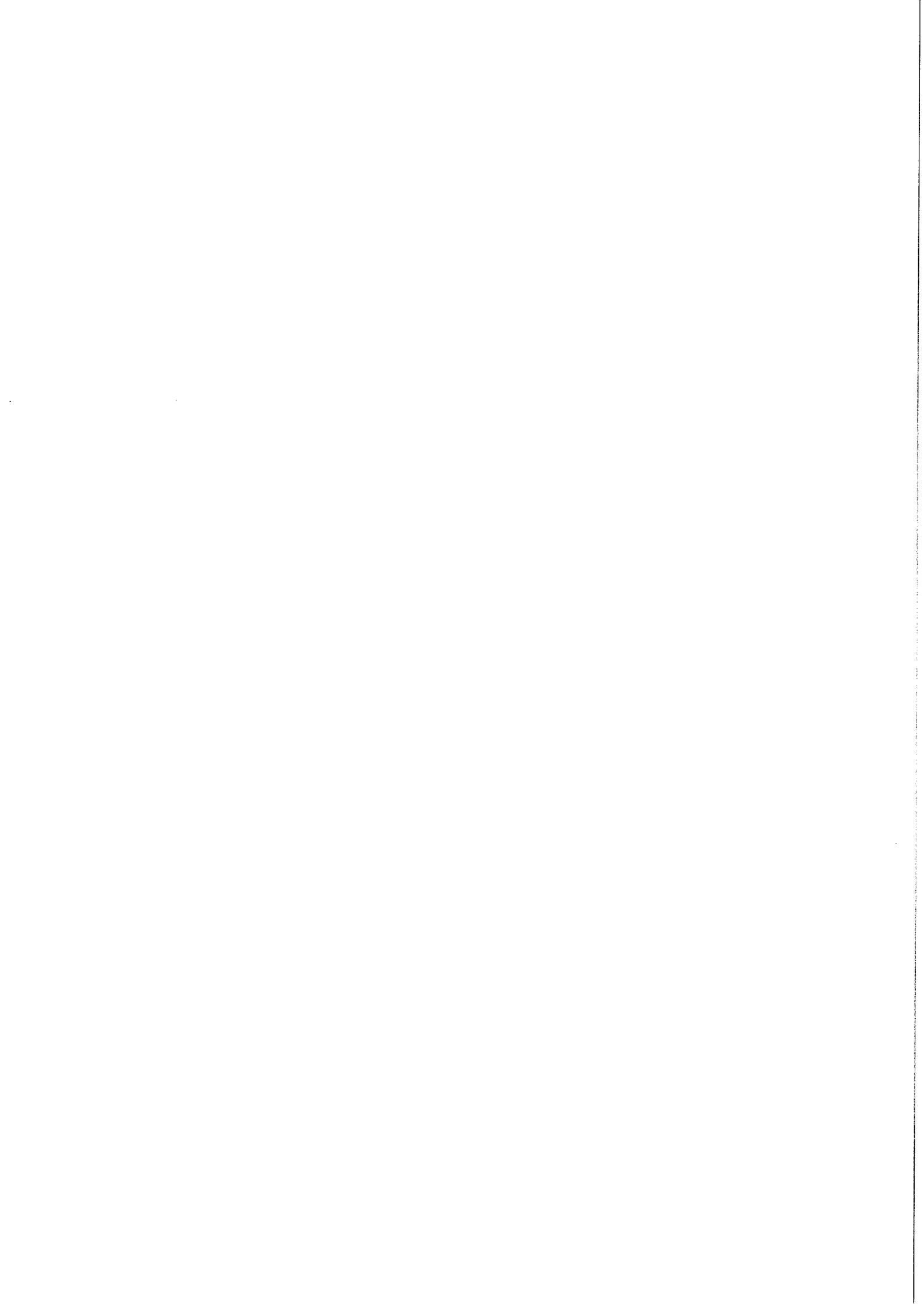
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**TARANAKI FISH & GAME COUNCIL**  
**AGENDA**

SATURDAY 18 FEBRUARY 2023  
TO BE HELD AT  
RAETIHI COSMOPOLITON CLUB  
32 SEDDON STREET, RAETIHI

COMMENCING AT 10:00AM

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## TARANAKI FISH & GAME COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE TARANAKI FISH & GAME COUNCIL, HELD AT FRANK BAR & EATERY, 60 RIDGWAY STREET, WHANGANUI ON 10<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2022 COMMENCING AT 10:00AM.

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The Chairman called the meeting to order at 10.15am

**1. PRESENT**

Chairman, Chris Donald and Councillors, Alan Flynn, Romon Sargeson, Gerard Karalus, John Nancarrow, Paul Blewman, Craig McEwen, and David Potroz.

**IN ATTENDANCE**

Acting Manager Allen Stancliff, Field Officer Jacob Morison, and Secretary Jill Steedman

Councillor Paul Blewman started the meeting with a Karakia

**2. APOLOGIES**

Apologies were received from National CEO Corinna Jordan for lateness

MOVED POTROZ / NANCARROW

THAT THE APOLOGIES RECEIVED BE SUSTAINED

CARRIED

3. The Chairman welcomed Councillors and staff to the meeting.  
He noted that due to unforeseen circumstances Corinna Jordan would not be able to join the meeting until 2:00pm.

**4. CONFLICT OF INTEREST**

There were none identified that had not been notified at previous meetings.

**5. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING 15 OCTOBER 2022**

MOVED POTROZ / SARGESON

THAT THE MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING HELD ON 15<sup>TH</sup> OCTOBER 2022 AT HAWERA BE CONFIRMED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD.

CARRIED.

**6. MATTERS ARISING**

An update was given by the Acting Manager on the late agenda item from the previous meeting on the subdivision at Lake Kohata.

The Acting Manager advised Council that he had not yet contacted the farmer that Councillor Nancarrow advised was interested in wetland development and funding but would do so soon along with others on the list.

**7. AGENDA MANAGEMENT**

Councillor McEwen inquired about how the Taranaki Fish & Game Facebook page was going.

**8. RISK REGISTER**

MOVED MCEWEN / SARGESON

THAT TARANAKI FISH & GAME COUNCIL RECEIVE THE DECEMBER 2022 RISK REGISTER.  
CARRIED

**9. HEALTH AND SAFETY REPORT**

MOVED NANCARROW / MCEWEN

THAT THE ACTING MANAGER'S HEALTH AND SAFETY REPORT, BE RECEIVED  
CARRIED

**10. DRAFT 2023/24 GAME GAZETTE NOTICE**

Councillor Flynn noted evidence of a strong mallard population following three favourable spring breeding seasons and the science behind the annual mallard counts was discussed.

MOVED FLYNN / NANCARROW

THAT TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL INCREASE THE OPENING WEEKEND BAG LIMIT FOR MALLARD / GREY DUCK TO 15 PER DAY. THAT THE DAILY BAG LIMIT BE 10 FOR THE REMAINDER OF THE 2023 HUNTING SEASON.

CARRIED

Councillors decided that there should be no changes to the season conditions for the other game bird species.

Allen Stancliff explained recommended changes and additions to "Special Conditions":

5.2: It was agreed that the hunting exclusion zone around urban sewage oxidation ponds be reduced from 200m to 100m.

New 5.4: It was agreed to ban hunters shooting from a boat in the Whanganui River downstream of Kemps Pole (Kauarapaoa Stream Confluence), owing to increasing numbers of people using the Whanganui River walkway and the walking/cycle bridge at Upokongaro.

Councillor Potroz proposed a new special season condition to ban herding or driving waterfowl for the purpose of hunting or killing them, given the increased use of drones.

MOVED POTROZ / SARGESON

THAT TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL INCLUDE UNDER SPECIAL CONDITIONS:

5.5 NO PERSON MAY HERD OR DRIVE WATERFOWL FOR THE PURPOSE OF HUNTING OR KILLING THEM.

CARRIED

The Acting Manager apologised for the omission, in this report, of Bob White Quail and Red Legged Partridge, noting that they have been included in the draft for National Office.

MOVED SARGESON / NANCARROW

THAT TARANAKI FISH & GAME COUNCIL APPROVE BAG LIMITS AND SEASON CONDITIONS LAID OUT IN THE DRAFT 2023/24 GAME GAZETTE NOTICE, SUBJECT TO CHANGES MADE BY PRIOR RESOLUTION, FOR RECOMMENDATION TO THE NZ FISH & GAME COUNCIL

CARRIED

**11. 2022/2023 LICENCE SALES REPORT**

MOVED SARGESON / KARALUS

THAT THE TARANAKI FISH AND GAME LICENCE SALES REPORT, BE RECEIVED

CARRIED

**12. NON-RESIDENT LICENCE LEVY**

MOVED BLEWMAN / FLYNN

1. THAT THE NON-RESIDENT LEVY BE TREATED AS GENERAL LICENCE INCOME FROM THE 2023/24 FINANCIAL YEAR ONWARDS

2. THAT EXISTING NON-RESIDENT LEVY RESERVES (INCLUDING 22/23) REMAIN IN REGIONAL DEDICATED RESERVES

CARRIED

**13. HUNTING & HABITAT SCHEME APPLICATIONS**

Allen Stancliff described the 3 applications for Council approval

MOVED POTROZ / SARGESON

THAT THE TARANAKI FISH & GAME COUNCIL APPROVES THE FOLLOWING APPLICATIONS FOR FUNDING (GST INCL) FROM THE HUNTING & HABITAT SCHEME:

1. HARRIS - \$3,510

2. GANE - \$1,150

3. WATSON - \$5,577

CARRIED

**14. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

The Chairman updated Councillors on regional amalgamations, noting his talks with Wellington Chair, Paul Dewar, and his attendance at monthly zoom meetings with other Chairs. He noted the importance in being supportive to and collaborating with National Council.

The Chairman tabled a PowerPoint presentation – Regional Amalgamation and building an operational model – DRAFT for Discussion and also noted his attendance at a Governor's meeting in Canterbury, which included Iwi. The Chairman advised Council that a letter had been sent to Ray Grubb from all Chairs.

MOVED BLEWMAN / POTROZ

THAT TARANAKI FISH & GAME COUNCIL CHAIRMAN, CHRIS DONALD, AND VICE CHAIRMAN ALAN FLYNN START NEGOTIATIONS WITH WELLINGTON FISH & GAME COUNCIL TO DECIDE ON GOVERNANCE AND OPERATIONAL PROCEDURES FOR AMALGAMATION. ACTING MANAGER, ALLEN STANCLIFF TO PROVIDE SUPPORT WHERE REQUIRED.

CARRIED

Councillors noted that boundary changes will be required to include the upper reaches of the Whanganui River in the amalgamated region.

The importance of Governance training was discussed, preferably funded by National Council.

MOVED DONALD / POTROZ

THAT THE CHAIRMAN'S VERBAL REPORT, BE RECEIVED

CARRIED

**15. NATIONAL COUNCILLORS REPORT**

National Councillor, Gerard Karalus noted the high level of support for National CEO Corinna Jordan.

He tabled an update from the NZC meeting no. 160

Break for Lunch 12:30

Reconvened 1:20

The Chairman decided to pause the National Councillors Report until National CEO Corinna Jordan joined the meeting

**16. WORK PLAN TO AND BUDGET PROGRESS REPORT TO 31 AUGUST 2022**

Allen Stancliff noted that a TET grant application for the kids' fishing day in Stratford had been approved.

Councillor Karalus noted that he had been asked about iwi involvement with fish releases by a hatchery volunteer and that he had attended Ranger training at Rotorua. Councillor Flynn asked about the possibility of having an Instagram page. Staff noted that the Facebook page was increasing in followers and that it is viewed by a wider demographic than Instagram.

MOVED NANCARROW / SARGESON

THAT THE BUDGET REPORT TO 31 OCTOBER 2022 AND THE PROJECT PROGRESS REPORT TO 18 NOVEMBER 2022, BE RECEIVED

CARRIED

**17. PROFIT & LOSS AND BALANCE SHEET**

The Secretary will investigate the possibility of including a Budget YTD column in the Profit & Loss Report.

MOVED SARGESON / NANCARROW

THAT THE PROFIT & LOSS AND BALANCE SHEET TO 31 OCTOBER 2022, BE RECEIVED

CARRIED

**18. CORRESPONDENCE**

MOVED POTROZ / SARGESON

THAT INWARDS AND OUTWARDS CORRESPONDENCE SCHEDULES TO 29 NOVEMBER 2022, BE RECEIVED

CARRIED

**19. GENERAL BUSINESS**

Councillor Sargeson asked about access to Nukumaru Recreation Reserve for upland game hunting, in particular those lessee's with WDC leases. He would also like Ngati Rangi to be invited to our next meeting in Raetihi.

Councillor Nancarrow noted publicity about a fish release purportedly being made in an Oakura residential development.

Councillor Potroz noted that honorary rangers could be involved with assisting at kids fishing days.

The Acting Manager advised Councillors of the possible phase-out of lead shot in .410-gauge shotguns.

Councillor Sargeson noted the proposed significant increase in the gun licencing fee and felt that Fish & Game should submit on this.

NZF&GC CEO Corina Jordan joined the meeting at 2:10pm

Councillors and staff introduced themselves to Corina.

Corinna spoke to Councillors about her role and the challenges facing Fish & Game.

Continuation of National Councillors Report:

Councillor Karalus continued his National Councillor Report, noting:

- Positive support for National CEO
- Governance and Chair training
- Funding for staff development
- Guidelines for the Remuneration review
- A vacancy on the Game Bird Habitat Trust Board. Councillor Sargeson noted his desire to be a member. Council supported his application.
- Funding for the implementation of the Ministerial Review – projects have been identified and funds will be allocated i.e. Taranaki / Wellington amalgamation – National Council will reimburse costs.

Councillors thanked Corina Jordan for her attendance and were reassured by her commitment to Fish & Game.

**20. NEXT MEETING**

The next ordinary meeting will be held in Raetihi on 18<sup>th</sup> February 2023.

**21. CLOSURE**

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 3:05pm.

**APPROVED AS A TRUE AND CORRECT RECORD**

**CHAIRMAN** \_\_\_\_\_

**DATE** \_\_\_\_\_





## TARANAKI FISH & GAME COUNCIL

The Chairman  
Taranaki Fish & Game Council

### AGENDA MANAGEMENT

Council should do the following things;

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

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

Allen Stancliff  
Acting Regional Manager  
7 February 2023

**TARANAKI FISH & GAME COUNCIL**

**ACTION LIST ARISING FROM COUNCIL DECISIONS**

<b>Subject</b>	<b>Responsible</b>	<b>Target Date</b>	<b>Item Update – Actions Required</b>
Iwi attendance at meetings	Allen	18 February 2023	Invite Ngati Rangī to attend Councils 18 February 2023 meeting in Raetihi

TARANAKI FISH & GAME COUNCIL

ANNUAL MEETING AGENDA PROGRAM

Meeting	Board	Operational	Statutory	Strategic/Policy
18 February 2023 Raetihi	All Board Items	All Operational Items, to be received	Confirm Game Season Regulations.	Review 5 Year Strategic Plan
25 March 2023 Waitara	All Board Items	All Operational Items, to be received	Consider Draft 2023/2024 Annual Operational Work Plan & Budget.	
17 June 2023 New Plymouth	All Board Items.	All Operational Items, to be Received	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fish Season Regs.</li> <li>• Licence fee recommendation</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Nominations for Bruce McKenzie Memorial Award</li> </ul>
19 August 2023 Whanganui	All Board Items.	All Operational Items, to be Received	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Adopt 2023 / 2024 Annual Plan</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Receive nominations for Bruce McKenzie Memorial Award</li> </ul>
14 October 2023 Opunake	All Board Items.	All Operational Items, to be Received	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• End of Year Project Reports</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>•</li> </ul>
9 December 2023 meeting and AGM Raetihi	All Board Items.	All Operational Items, to be Received	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2023 Game Gazette Notice</li> </ul>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2023 meeting dates</li> </ul>



## TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL

The Chairman

Taranaki Fish and Game Council

### DRAFT 5-YEAR STRATEGIC PLAN 2022/23 TO 2026/27

Council operates a 5-year Strategic Plan to identify and plan future work programmes and guide development of the annual plan. The Strategic Plan is reviewed annually or as required.

The current review still largely focuses on the Council's own work programme and doesn't include changes that might occur with the amalgamation of Taranaki Fish & Game with the Wellington Region and possibly Hawkes Bay. However, the proposed review of the methods for counting paradise shelduck and black swan may well result in Taranaki and Wellington working together to design flight paths that cover both regions efficiently and effectively. Wellington staff are also keen to help Taranaki with duck banding and vice versa.

There may also be internal reviews of funding and resource allocation undertaken by National Council which may have implications for Council business, but currently there are no timeframes for such work to be completed.

There are increasing challenges around the tension between managing introduced species and protecting indigenous biodiversity. Addressing this challenge and including much wider discussion and involvement with iwi and the community will be a significant component of the Sports Fish & Game Management Plan review. However, given that regional amalgamation will be occurring, it makes sense to delay the Management Plan review until the new region is settled.

The attached strategic plan reflects previously agreed objectives, although the timing of some has been amended to reflect the current situation. It is expected that the new Fish & Game website will be up and running before the end of the 2022/23 financial year, which will allow access information to be more easily available to licence holders on their cellphones and provide a good platform for information and videos introducing new participants to trout fishing and game bird hunting.

### RECOMMENDATION

That Taranaki F&G Council receive the attached draft 5-Year Strategic Plan.

Allen Stancliff

Acting Manager

7 February 2023

2022/23 – 2026/27 Strategic Plan

Approved:

Work Area <i>(why are we undertaking this objective?)</i>	Key Result <i>(what are we actually doing and how this contributes to objective?)</i>	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27
<p><b>Participation</b></p> <p>Add value to our licence holders to increase their success and satisfaction so they remain in the sport</p> <p>Recruit (and re-activate) new licence holders to protect revenue required for effective management and to maintain</p>	<p><b>Signage</b></p> <p>Provide anglers with helpful on-site information re access, regulations and techniques to make it easier to go fishing</p>	<p>Replace or erect new signs on rivers and lakes around the region consistent with the priorities identified.</p> <p>2-3 signs replaced per year</p>	<p>Regulation information signs on Retaruke and Whanganui Rivers (Te Araroa trail users)</p> <p>Review Ruatiti information sign and update as necessary.</p> <p>By Aug 2023 identify any changes and agree process to upgrade with other parties.</p>	<p>Produce Taranaki fishing newsletter sent to licence holders shortly after the start of each season</p> <p>Produce Taranaki hunting newsletter sent to licence holders and RD box holders prior to each season</p> <p>Produce 1-page magazine supplement for each issue of F&amp;G Magazine</p>	<p>Implement and utilise social media including Facebook consistent with National Office policy</p> <p>Develop and utilise licence holder email list to highlight information of specific value such as upcoming children's fishing days.</p>	
<p>License holder contact</p> <p>Contact licence holders (mail, email, social media and individually by phone or face to</p>						

<p>support for and recognition of the importance of fish &amp; game resources and their use</p>	<p>face) to share information that encourages and assists users to make best use of the F&amp;G resource</p>	<p>Information on 2023 fishing days emailed to licence holders</p>
<p><b>Angling and hunting web pages</b></p> <p>How to and where to go information is readily available, easily understood and up to date to assist &amp; guide licence holders and prospective participants</p>	<p>Work with National Office to add information to the new F&amp;G website.</p> <p>Review information and effectiveness of web links annually or when issue identified.</p> <p><i>Information is current and easily found</i></p> <p>Introduction to duck hunting opportunities in the Taranaki Region</p> <p><i>Draft text and video links prepared by Aug 2023 for incorporation into new F&amp;G website</i></p>	
<p><b>Children and family fishing days and opportunities</b></p> <p>Provide opportunities for children and families to go fishing easily and on an ongoing basis, so they potentially become lifelong anglers. To engender support for fishing and the activities of Fish &amp;</p>	<p>Explore options for ongoing fishing opportunities for kids and families based on local ponds and threshold experiences.</p> <p>Identify and explore future options for Stratford by Aug 2023</p>	<p>Implement preferred options</p> <p>Implement preferred option for Stratford kids fishing programme</p>



<p><i>Game among the general public</i></p>	<p>Liaise annually with the Department of Conservation (Tongariro National Trout Centre Turangi) regarding the availability of rainbow trout for autumn release into Sattler's Dam. Explore options to enhance the habitat at Sattler's Dam.</p>
<p><b>Increase participation</b> <i>Encourage past and prospective hunters and anglers into the sport through initiatives which make it easy to have a go and/ or provide support.</i></p>	<p>Incorporate national branding and approaches as per R3 strategy in Children's Fishing Programme</p> <p>Undertake review of fishing opportunities provided at Lake Mangamahoe</p> <p>Explore and develop mentoring schemes for hunters including public instruction/ information days.</p> <p><i>Identify possible option(s) by Aug 2023</i> <i>Implement most promising option identified by May 2024</i></p> <p>Develop web based introductory package for anglers and hunters utilising information on the new F&amp;G website and highlighting easy opportunities including access and methods to get started.</p>
	<p>Review and refine mentoring programmes</p>
	<p>Review and refine hunters' package</p>

<p><b>Angler &amp; hunter aspirations</b>  <i>In order to best manage the resource and opportunities in the best interests of anglers &amp; hunters it is essential to understand the aspirations of Taranaki licence holders and what they seek from their fishing &amp; hunting experience.</i></p>	<p>Survey of aspirations of trout anglers</p>	<p>Survey of aspirations of duck hunters</p>	<p>Re-survey of aspirations of upland game hunters</p>	<p>Re-survey of aspirations of duck hunters</p>	
<p><b>Improve angler/hunter access</b>  <i>Fundamental to participation is that licence holders need to be able to readily access and utilise the available fish &amp; game populations.</i></p>	<p>Continue to explore opportunities for increased angling access around Lake Mangamahoe through provision of third angling platform.   <i>Agreements and funding in place by Aug 2024</i></p>	<p>Review and refine permit process and conditions for gamebird hunting.   Review access information and where appropriate identify contact details/ negotiate access.   <i>Complete Waingongoro review Aug 2024</i>  <i>Review Kaipokonui River access by Aug 2023</i></p>	<p>Review how new permit system is working</p>		
<p><b>Manage hunter behaviour</b></p>	<p>Implement strategy to achieve appropriate hunter behaviour.   <i>Initial actions in place by May 2023</i></p>			<p>Review effectiveness of strategy and implementation</p>	

<p><i>Maximise hunter enjoyment and participation and also general public support so as to minimise the threat to the sport from anti-hunting groups</i></p>			
<p><b>Promote table qualities of the resource.</b>  <i>An important part of the sport is the taking of prime food for the table, and which adds additional value to their sport. Making use of shot game as a natural, healthy food also makes hunting more acceptable to the general public</i></p>	<p>Locate and publicise quality trout and perch recipes, including those in the Fish &amp; Game cookbook</p>	<p>Review and collate suitable game bird recipes online</p>	
<p><b>Minimise barriers</b>  <i>An effective network of licence administration minimises the barriers to purchasing a licence, and in turn can add significant value for the purchaser in terms of providing information and equipment.</i></p>	<p>Provide support, service and upskilling of licence agents to operate as effective licence outlets and sources of valued information on opportunities and techniques.</p>		

*Utilise simple, consistent and easy to understand regulations that are both effective and that minimise uncertainty and reluctance to have a go*

Review regulations annually with an objective to achieve simplicity and consistency across the region and between regions as opportunities allow. Ensure information is easy to find and follow.

<p><b>Work Area</b> (why are we undertaking this objective?)</p>	<p><b>Key Result</b> (what are we actually doing and how this contributes to objective?)</p>	<p><b>2022/23</b></p>	<p><b>2023/24</b></p>	<p><b>2024/25</b></p>	<p><b>2025/26</b></p>	<p><b>2026/27</b></p>
<p>Sports fish monitoring and management</p> <p>To obtain necessary information and undertake effective management actions to sustainably manage sports fish populations across the region so as to foster angler success and satisfaction such that they remain in the sport.</p>	<p>Obtain baseline information for key streams</p> <p>To better understand key fisheries and identify threats and opportunities to the maintenance of important angling resources</p>	<p>Investigate Waingongo River fishery to determine current status and identify threats and opportunities (yr 1 of 2).</p>	<p>Assess juvenile recruitment in the Waiongana/Waigoaraka Stream catchment to compare with baseline information from other catchment surveys.</p> <p>Complete review of Waingongo River fishery (yr 2 of 2).</p>	<p>Assess and report on the Manganui River and tributaries</p>	<p>Assess and report on the fishery in the Tokiahuru/Waitaiki Stream.</p> <p>Otakeho Stream.</p>	<p>Assess and report on the fishery in the Tokiahuru/Waitaiki Stream.</p> <p>Otakeho Stream.</p>
<p>Investigate value of streams and lakes</p> <p>To ensure any stocking programme is effective in terms of an increased return to the angler, is socially appropriate and a sound use of what are limited resources</p>	<p>Investigate value of streams and lakes</p> <p>To ensure any stocking programme is effective in terms of an increased return to the angler, is socially appropriate and a sound use of what are limited resources</p>	<p>Prepare and undertake annual stocking plan</p> <p>Achieve proposed stocking programme each year</p> <p>Undertake further trial releases of 2yr old trout into lower Patea River</p> <p>Monitor success of 2017-2021 trout releases into the lower Patea River.</p>	<p>Review results and develop position on release of trout into lower Patea River</p>	<p>Review stocking plan</p>		
<p>Investigate opportunities to restore fisheries</p>	<p>Investigate opportunities to restore fisheries</p>			<p>Assess juvenile recruitment along the</p>		

	<p>Some previously important fisheries have declined over time and there may be opportunities to restore some of these to the benefit of local anglers</p>			<p>Timaru Stream following removal of the Tataaimaka weir to document effects on fish passage.</p>	
	<p><b>Angler surveys &amp; diaries</b>          These provide a mechanism to effectively monitor many of the regions fisheries which otherwise would be outside the resources available to F&amp;G. This information is important for assessing angler satisfaction, making management responses including regulation setting and also in promoting the importance of the fishery in resource consent and community processes</p>	<p>Undertake angler diary scheme programme annually.           Each year promote the scheme and produce an annual report of results</p>			
	<p><b>Hatchery</b>          Stocking appropriate waterways with trout</p>	<p>Maintain effective hatchery operations utilising volunteer support</p>	<p>Review diary system and effectiveness</p>		<p>Implement decisions           Review options for the hatchery to</p>

	<p><i>is an effective way to increase angling opportunity. In particular stocking man-made lakes and impoundments close to urban centres can be highly valued by family and other groups contributing to a healthier lifestyle and enhancing support for fishing and F&amp;G whilst not impacting unreasonably on indigenous fish species. It is also an important tool to introduce budding anglers to fishing and protecting the licence base</i></p>		<p>ensure that hatchery operation is efficient, effective and sustainable re meeting future stocking requirements. Will be influenced by the National Council stocking review, R3 needs also community/ iwi aspirations.</p>	
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Work Area (why are we undertaking this objective?)	Key Result (what are we actually doing and how this contributes to objective?)	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27
<p>Gamebird monitoring and investigations</p> <p>To obtain necessary information and undertake effective management actions to sustainably manage gamebird populations across the region to maximise hunter satisfaction so they remain in the sport.</p>	<p>Mallard Duck monitoring</p> <p>Obtaining an accurate estimate of the duck population annually to set season regulations is fraught with difficulties and is resource intensive.</p> <p>Furthermore the regulation setting timetable means substantial population changes may occur between any monitoring and regulation setting and the new hunting season. However potentially hunting mortality may either be negligible, compensatory and/or naturally reduce when populations</p>	<p>Implement banding protocol for Whanganui area.</p> <p>Review site selection and undertake full banding 2022 – 2024 including recovery of bands.</p> <p>Complete report of banding results August 2024</p>		<p>Review monitoring programme for the region taking into account banding results and including regulation setting requirements</p>		
		<p>Undertake annual aerial counts of dabbling duck transects across the Taranaki ringplain</p> <p>Count data is summarised in annual discussion paper re recommended Game Gazette conditions.</p>			<p>Review effectiveness and value of the monitoring programme.</p>	
		<p>Participate in and meet data entry requirements for the National Hunter Survey</p> <p>Target for number of interviews is achieved and data summarised in annual discussion paper re recommended Game Gazette conditions</p>				



<p>are low anyway. The alternative approach if the population is robust &amp; hunting mortality is relatively minor is to focus on maintaining consistent regulations which allow for a reasonable bag and season length at minimal risk to the population. This manages hunter expectations and allows them to invest with some certainty to the future while freeing up management resources</p>	<p><b>Paradise shelduck monitoring</b> Paradise shelduck are an important resource for Taranaki hunters. However in large numbers they can impact on farming operations. Numbers can be effectively</p>	<p>are low anyway. The alternative approach if the population is robust &amp; hunting mortality is relatively minor is to focus on maintaining consistent regulations which allow for a reasonable bag and season length at minimal risk to the population. This manages hunter expectations and allows them to invest with some certainty to the future while freeing up management resources</p>
<p>Undertake paradise shelduck moult counts across the region in January each year.</p>	<p><b>Paradise shelduck monitoring</b> Paradise shelduck are an important resource for Taranaki hunters. However in large numbers they can impact on farming operations. Numbers can be effectively</p>	<p>are low anyway. The alternative approach if the population is robust &amp; hunting mortality is relatively minor is to focus on maintaining consistent regulations which allow for a reasonable bag and season length at minimal risk to the population. This manages hunter expectations and allows them to invest with some certainty to the future while freeing up management resources</p>
<p>Produce an annual report detailing trends in numbers</p>	<p>Implement recommendations from review of moult sites monitored and how the data is reported.</p>	<p>are low anyway. The alternative approach if the population is robust &amp; hunting mortality is relatively minor is to focus on maintaining consistent regulations which allow for a reasonable bag and season length at minimal risk to the population. This manages hunter expectations and allows them to invest with some certainty to the future while freeing up management resources</p>
<p>Review count methods including efficiency effectiveness and cost of returning to aerial counts</p>	<p>are low anyway. The alternative approach if the population is robust &amp; hunting mortality is relatively minor is to focus on maintaining consistent regulations which allow for a reasonable bag and season length at minimal risk to the population. This manages hunter expectations and allows them to invest with some certainty to the future while freeing up management resources</p>	<p>are low anyway. The alternative approach if the population is robust &amp; hunting mortality is relatively minor is to focus on maintaining consistent regulations which allow for a reasonable bag and season length at minimal risk to the population. This manages hunter expectations and allows them to invest with some certainty to the future while freeing up management resources</p>

<p>monitored by undertaking moult counts across the region and the information used to manage numbers sufficient to provide valued hunting opportunities without unreasonably impacting on landowners</p>	<p>Review hunting regulations for paradise shelduck and including possible Area boundaries</p>	<p>Investigate re-starting April pukeko monitoring in the Whanganui area (last carried out in 2016 &amp; 2017)</p>	<p>Review monitoring methodology and implement recommendations.</p>
<p><b>Pukeko monitoring</b> Large aggregations of pukeko create problems for landowners and create a hunting opportunity for licence holders. However over much of the region numbers are very low so it is essential to have sound monitoring information so as to set effective regulations which maximise opportunity while ensuring the</p>	<p>Review hunting regulations for paradise shelduck and including possible Area boundaries</p>	<p>Implement pukeko monitoring in the Whanganui area if practical and effective</p>	<p>Review monitoring methodology and implement recommendations.</p>
<p>Undertake monitoring of Taranaki ring plain pukeko populations.  Count data is summarised in annual discussion paper re recommended Game Gazette conditions.</p>			<p>Review monitoring methodology and implement recommendations.</p>

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

Work Area (why are we undertaking this objective?)	Key Result (what are we actually doing and how this contributes to objective?)	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27
<p><b>Compliance</b> Protect resource sustainability and user experience to maintain licence holder satisfaction</p>	<p><b>Compliance</b> Make best use of available resources to implement the objectives of the Compliance Policy so as to best protect the sports fish &amp; game resource and its use</p>	<p>Review Compliance Strategy</p>	<p>Consider other options to undertake compliance if and when these become available</p>	<p>Undertake effective opening day ranging across the region and at other key times or in response to identified issues.</p> <p>Annual compliance report presented to Council</p>		
<p><b>Honorary Rangers</b> Safe use of honorary rangers to provide effective and valued compliance coverage across the Taranaki region</p>	<p>Ranger training in implementing R3 principles</p> <p>All rangers receive introduction to R3</p> <p>Recruit and train new Rangers as required.</p>	<p>Review use and effectiveness of honorary ranger system</p>	<p>Ensure all Rangers are up to date with training (CERT 1-day refresher).</p>	<p>Ranger warrant renewals Paperwork submitted by Aug 2024</p>	<p>Ranger warrant renewals Paperwork submitted by Aug 2027</p>	

Work Area (why are we undertaking this objective?)	Key Result (what are we actually doing and how this contributes to objective?)	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27
<p>Iwi and public interaction Implementing the principles of the Treaty of Waitangi (partnership, protection and participation) requires Council work proactively and collaboratively with iwi regarding the management of natural resources and their use and protection. It is recognised that there may be a natural tension</p>	<p>Iwi Liaison Proactively foster close and productive working relationships with iwi at all levels and collectively share expertise and knowledge to achieve greater protection of freshwater and wetland habitats and species. To also enable robust and helpful discussion and decision making on issues affecting licence holders and iwi including use of shared resources, protection</p>	<p>Take opportunities to involve and work with iwi at all levels on shared matters affecting natural resources and their use, including welcoming iwi participation in Council.  Represent F&amp;G and provide valued input to Te Awa Tupua process  Identify opportunities and actively work with individual iwi and hapu on local shared issues  Identify possible options to increase iwi involvement in Council  Take opportunities to work on joint habitat improvement and river restoration projects</p>		<p>Actively involve iwi at all levels in the development of the Sports Fish and Game Management Plan (dependant on completion of regional amalgamations).</p>		

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

<p><i>In the face of an increasing urban population and support for indigenous biodiversity to ensure hunting &amp; fishing is valued by the general public who recognise that these activities contribute to wider good such as a better environment and healthy lifestyle/ kai and in turn support protecting these resources and the opportunity to participate.</i></p>	<p><b>Community Involvement &amp; Advocacy</b>  <i>Actively seek to contribute to the wider community as part of undertaking F&amp;G activities and highlight these broader benefits to engender wider support for F&amp;G, angling and hunting.</i></p>	<p>Recognise and pursue opportunities to contribute to the wider community as part of undertaking core F&amp;G activities.</p> <p><i>Participate in Wild for Taranaki</i>  <i>Contribute to and support the activities of Rotokare Scenic Reserve Trust</i></p> <p>Take opportunities to work with community and industry groups on habitat improvement and river restoration projects and initiatives</p>	<p>Review media strategy</p>	<p>Implement revised strategy</p>	<p>Review media strategy</p>	<p>Review media strategy</p>
<p><b>Effective use of the Media</b>  <i>Maintain positive profile which encourages prospective participants and fosters support and understanding among the general public.</i></p>	<p>Post regularly on the Council's Facebook page on F&amp;G activity and up-and-coming events.</p>	<p>Review and regularly update information on the F&amp;G website.</p>				

Work Area (why are we undertaking this objective?)	Key Result (what are we actually doing and how this contributes to objective?)	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27
<p><b>Habitat management</b></p> <p><i>Protecting / improving habitat for sports fish &amp; game is a fundamental and effective means to sustaining the fish &amp; game resource in the interests of licence holders</i></p>	<p><b>Taranaki Natural Resources Plan</b></p> <p><i>Sports fish and game habitat will be better protected by effective provisions in this Plan. This will also limit the resources F&amp;G expends on addressing individual consent applications freeing these resources up to be used elsewhere</i></p>	<p>Actively engage in the process to protect and enhance the interests of Taranaki hunters and anglers.</p> <p><i>Process deadlines to contribute and submit are met.</i></p>				
	<p><b>Effectively engage in RMA consent processes.</b></p> <p><i>In the absence of greater direction in regional plans it is necessary to engage in individual consent applications to ensure protection of Fish and Game resources and access to these</i></p>	<p>Engage in relevant specific consent applications to protect F&amp;G interests</p> <p>Seek favourable environmental outcomes as part of Manawa Energy's (formerly Trustpower) consenting of the Mangorei and Motukawa hydro schemes.</p>				
				<p>Review strategic approach re engagement in individual consent processes.</p>		



	<p><b>Habitat enhancement</b>  <i>Take opportunities by working co-operatively to share knowledge, promote, fund and encourage landowners and community groups to improve habitat for the benefit of sports fish, gamebird species and indigenous biodiversity and fishing and hunting opportunity</i></p>		<p><i>(Dependent on progress with Taranaki Natural Resources Plan)</i></p>	
		<p><b>Establish Environmental award</b></p>		
		<p>Work with other parties to remove the Timaru Stream Weir</p>		
		<p>Explore options to remove the "Riverlands Eltham" weir on the Waingongo River and improve fish passage at the Normanby weir.</p>		
		<p>Promote and explore opportunities to improve water quality in Lake Rotomanu</p>		
		<p>Promote and develop quality wetland and upland game habitats in association with private landowners and other agencies and including by promoting the GBHT and H&amp;H funds.</p>		
		<p><i>At least 3 applications to GBHT &amp; H&amp;H fund per year</i></p>		
		<p>Keep up to date with current predator control techniques and operations and actively seek to promote effective programmes as opportunities arise.</p>		
		<p>Orautoha/Manganuioteao riparian protection works.</p>		
		<p><i>Complete annual work programme as per funding application. Apply for new funding if there is sufficient interest from landowners.</i></p>		

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<p><b>Planning &amp; Administration</b></p> <p>The Taranaki Sports Fish &amp; Game Management Plan is a statutory requirement and formally reflects the aspirations of hunters and anglers. The Plan provides high level direction and guidance for management activities and also other</p>	<p><b>Review Management Plan</b></p> <p>The Plan is required to be reviewed in whole no later than 10 years after it was approved. Any review will include the opportunity for submissions by hunters and anglers and F&amp;G will also consult with other parties, iwi and agencies as appropriate and consistent with Treaty of Waitangi</p>	<p>Seek 3-year extension to the Plan review to allow review to occur following regional amalgamations</p>			<p>Undertake plan review to incorporate any changes in F&amp;G organisation from ministerial and internal reviews and amalgamations. Actively involve iwi and community in this plan as well as hunters and anglers</p>	

<p>statutory plans in the interests of the resource and users</p>	<p>obligations to ensure the plan is comprehensive, effective and of value.</p>					
<p>Strong and effective governance to ensure that the activities of Council are appropriate, well run and reflect the aspirations of all licence holders</p> <p>Effective and concise</p>	<p><b>Strategic planning</b>  <b>Implement Management Plan</b> through ongoing review and refinement of 5-year Strategic Plan to provide clear and agreed direction regarding future work programmes and resource allocation and requirements. This strategic plan to guide development of a timely, planned and effective Annual Operational Workplan that</p>	<p>Review 5-Year Strategic Plan annually and as required</p>				

<p><i>administration with accurate reporting to support sound financial management and efficient use of resources in the best interests of the licence holder and fish &amp; game resource</i></p>	<p><i>reflects the aspirations of hunters and anglers</i></p>	<p><b>Focus on governance</b> Achieve appropriate diversity across the Council and provide Councillors with professional governance support to best represent the interests of all licence holders</p> <p><b>Simplify operational outputs and coding</b> Provide effective and helpful reporting while minimising unnecessary detail and the time and resources this involves which</p>	<p>Identify possible options and strategies to increase the diversity of Council</p> <p>Review and update governance policy</p> <p>Co-ordinate Council Election</p> <p>Undertake governance training provided nationally</p> <p>Undertake governance training</p> <p>Implement any outcomes of National Council financial review</p>	<p>Implement key options identified</p>
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	<i>can be used elsewhere</i>					
<p><b>New Plymouth and Whanganui offices</b>  <i>Provide effective and healthy office space including storage which is also obvious and accessible to our users and the general public</i></p>						
<p><b>Administrative improvements</b>  <i>Make best use of new systems and technology to maximise administrative efficiencies and minimise costs so resources are available for use elsewhere</i></p>						
<p><b>Support for Council</b>  <i>Provide valued support to</i></p>						
<p><i>Incorporate any changes as part of Ministerial and Internal F&amp;G reviews and amalgamations.</i></p>						
<p>Recommend changes to 5-Year Strategic Plan, prepare draft Annual Operational Plan and draft Performance Report</p>						
<p>Prepare concise and complete agenda papers including with a recommended course of action</p>						

	<p><i>Council which facilitates effective Council governance and operation</i></p> <p><b>Health &amp; Safety</b> <i>Maintain effective systems to ensure a safe and healthy working environment and the safety of staff and visitors</i></p>	<p>Implement and review Health &amp; Safety Policy, Manual and systems and processes as per identified timetable.</p> <p><i>Annual audit and other identified requirements are reported to Council</i></p>
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Review: February 2024 Council Meeting



## TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL

The Chairman

Taranaki Fish and Game Council

### RISK REGISTER FEBRUARY 2023

The attached register identifies and records potential significant risks to the effective operation of Taranaki Fish & Game Council. This register is updated for each meeting.

The risk level for H&S Covid-19 remains steady, although case numbers have gradually declined in recent weeks. Staff will follow government requirements to isolate for 7 days if they get sick with Covid-19 or will test daily for 5 days if a household contact gets sick. All staff can work from home in the event that Covid-19 again becomes widespread in the region.

Owing to a focus on indigenous species, the legislative change that will come with the passing of the Natural and Built Environment Bill, which replaces the RMA, may strip Fish & Game of its statutory mandate to advocate for the protection of the habitat of trout and salmon. The NZFGC has made a submission on Council's behalf and will likely appear before the Select Committee. The NZFGC has also emailed licence holders to encourage them to make a submission.

Given the inevitability of regional amalgamations, it was decided not to proceed with development of a new F&G Management Plan and a 3-year extension to the Plan review period has been sought from the Minister of Conservation. If this is not granted, then the Council's annual OWPs will need to be approved by the Minister of Conservation (S26Q(3)(e) of the Conservation Act).

The Ministerial Review of F&G clearly has implications in respect of operational matters including longer term resourcing and hunter and angler support. Council Chairs and management from the Taranaki and Wellington Fish & Game Regions are working together to progress amalgamation and develop a draft regional operating model.

### RECOMMENDATION

That Taranaki Fish & Game Council receive the February 2023 Risk Register

Allen Stancliff

Acting Regional Manager

3 February 2023



**RISK REGISTER & RISK TREATMENT ACTION PLAN - TARANAKI FISH & GAME - FEBRUARY 2023**

Risk Type	Risk Description	Likelihood	Impact	Actions already in place	Person Responsible	Further Actions Required (if any)
1	Operational Data loss from computer virus, data corruption	Possible - 3	Moderate - 3	New computers with up to date anti-virus protection. Have moved to cloud based software and document storage. Regular backup of cloud data is being actioned nationally, as well as cyber-insurance in case systems	Office administrator	
2	Operational Lack of capacity to undertake core roles effectively	Possible - 3	Major - 4	New field officer based in New Plymouth appointed on 2-year fixed term contract. Skilled & experienced staff in place and available to work together where necessary. Staff can work from home if necessary because of Covid-19. Use of volunteer rangers and hatchery workers	Chairperson/ Council	Consider other options to complete work plan. Keep volunteers in the loop to retain their support
3	Operational Review of Sports Fish & Game Management Plan is not completed by expiry date of current plan (Aug 2021)	Likely - 4	Moderate - 3	A 3-year extension to the Review is being sought from the Minister of Conservation. It is difficult to engage meaningfully with licence holders, iwi and other agencies until regional amalgamation is complete.	Manager	Await final decision on regional amalgamation. OWP's will need approval by Minister of Conservation if no Mgt Plan in place
4	Health & Safety Health and Safety related event resulting in significant harm or injury to staff, contractors or volunteers	Possible - 3	Major - 4	Ensure staff and volunteers comply with Health and Safety Policy and processes. Ensure H&S manual is current and regular reviews, staff meetings and auditing occurs as scheduled. Report on H&S as regular agenda item.	Manager	Ongoing identification of new hazards.
5	Health & Safety Under Covid-19 staff are put in situations that could jeopardise their health or others around them	Likely - 4	Major - 4	Respond and adhere to conditions or directives imposed by Government that include work place conditions and safety, personal protective gear, etc. Follow recommended best practice.	Manager	Implement further work place and personal protective measures as identified and/or required. Require staff to work from home.
6	Species Management Fish - severe weather or geomorphological events impacting on fish population at a local or regional scale	Almost certain - 5	Moderate - 3	Unable to mitigate. Recognise that wild populations will rebound and carry out regular monitoring of key populations to identify changes.	Manager	
7	Species Management Game and Fish - climate induced events i.e., drought impacting on gamebird population	Almost certain - 5	Moderate - 3	Unable to mitigate. Carry out regular monitoring of key populations to identify changes. Recognise that some events may be positive for some species	Manager	
8	Species Management Decline of Taranaki ring-plain fishery due to reductions in water quality and quantity	Likely - 4	Major - 4	Take planning and individual consent opportunities under the RMA to promote maintenance of suitable water flows and water quality to sustain viable trout fisheries around the ring-plain	Manager/ Field Officer - Taranaki	Engage in the Taranaki Natural Resources Plan process and resource consents. Continue to monitor ring-plain fisheries
9	Species Management Culling/ poisoning of paradise shelduck populations	Possible - 3	Major - 4	Work closely and proactively with landowners and farmers to manage problem aggregations of paradise shelduck. Hold Special Season where appropriate. Monitor population trends.	Manager/ Field Officer	
10	Species Management Political - Status of indigenous biodiversity is promoted over that of sports fish by statutory agencies and legislation	Likely - 4	Major - 4	Promote freshwater fishing as a valid recreational pursuit with significant financial, recreational & health benefits and as kai for resident and non-resident anglers. Portray F&G in positive light as an environmental organisation. Promote strong ethics amongst anglers. Clarify interaction of native fish and sports fish based on science. Maintain close working relationships with iwi and other agencies to achieve the best outcomes for all freshwater species.	Manager	Proactively engage with iwi, MP's and other groups as opportunities arise. Undertake a public awareness campaign to mobilise support for Fish & Game to retain its statutory mandate.

Risk type	Risk Description	Likelihood	Impact	Actions already in place	Person Responsible	Further Actions Required (if any)
11 Financial	Ongoing decline in licence revenues			Regular contact with licence holders/ updated web pages to provide information which assists their experience. Kids fishing days.	Manager	Implement the R3 programme (Recruitment, Retention & Reactivation) including review of Kids fishing days.
12 Financial	Decline in fish and game licence sales due to Covid-19 outbreak	Possible - 3	Major - 4	Cut any unnecessary spending - adopt a prudent approach	Manager/ Council	Work with F&G National Council and implement agreed actions to ensure financial viability
13 Financial	No grant available from National Council	Possible - 3	Severe - 5	Manage region effectively, in a financially prudent manner and on budget to achieve core functions and licence holder satisfaction. Maintain short-term capacity to address short fall through reserves	Manager/ Council	Work with F&G National Council and other regions to best achieve statutory obligations
14 Council	Reputation - Lack of support from licence holders and other agencies arising from criticism and aspersions regarding F&G performance	Possible - 3	Major - 4	Maintain awareness of the need to operate in a transparent, efficient and effective way to best serve licence holders. Ensure actions and comments are professional and reflect well on F&G	Manager/ Council	Make constructive and effective input into the regional amalgamation process in the best interests of hunters and anglers both within the existing Taranaki Region and nationally
15 Council	Reputation - Perceived conflict of interest among decision makers (Councillors)	Possible - 3	Major - 4	Maintain awareness of the need to manage perceived conflicts of interest appropriately and transparently. Follow Standing Orders and including the use of a Conflict of Interest register	Chairperson/ Council	
16 Council	Future - Changes in F&G structure arising from national review/s	Possible - 3	Major - 4	Operate in an efficient and effective way to best serve local and national licence holders	Council	Engage in the process with the best interests of the F&G resource and licence holders both locally and nationally at the forefront of our responses. Support fellow councillors and staff through this process.



**TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL**

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Taranaki Fish and Game Council

**HEALTH AND SAFETY – FEBRUARY 2023**

**Background**

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

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

**Update**

<b>1. New issues or hazards</b>	
None	

<b>3. Ongoing issues</b>	
Cars illegally changing lanes at New Plymouth Mangorei Road lights potentially causing an accident.	Keep well left in the left lane. Be prepared to take evasive action, using horn and heavy braking.
Covid-19 response	Following the end of the NZ Covid-19 Protection Framework (traffic lights) on 13 September 2022, staff are maintaining a watching brief in readiness to follow any government directives if the situation changes.  Staff will isolate for 7-days if they test positive for Covid-19 and will RAT test daily for 5 days if someone in their household tests positive.  Two staff are triple vaccinated, one has had a fourth. One staff member has had their 2022 flu vaccination.

4. Audits, reviews and meetings	
<p>HSE included as agenda item for staff meeting</p> <p>Staff check use of PPE gear by others in the field.</p> <p>Drone Training</p> <p>Hazard Control Plans due for review</p> <p>High summer temperatures - offices</p>	<p>Staff meeting held 7 February 2023</p> <p>PPE checked during December electric fishing surveys. Sunscreen purchased for summer field work. In-reach activated for duration of Waimarino/Whanganui gamebird population monitoring. PLB carried by staff during Taranaki monitoring. Trip plans logged with regular reporting.</p> <p>Online course through Massey Uni School of Aviation from 1 September. Practical in Palmerston North scheduled has been delayed owing to other work priorities impacting on training time.</p> <p>Field General due February 2023 Ranging General due March 2023</p> <p>Make use of air conditioning</p>
5. Accidents	
NIL	
6. Near misses and injuries	
None	

Allen Stancliff

Acting Regional Manager

7 February 2023

## TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL

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### 2023 GAMEBIRD TREND COUNT REPORT

This report presents the January 2023 trend count information for paradise shelduck and black swan. The Council made recommendations on the draft 2023/24 Game Gazette Notice at its meeting on 10<sup>th</sup> December 2022. As the final deadline for provision of regulation details to the NZ Fish & Game Council has passed (27<sup>th</sup> January 2023), this report is for the Council's information only.

#### PARADISE SHELDUCK

Following a review of the paradise shelduck moult count methodology after the 2021 counts, it was decided that sites with three years of consecutive counts of less than 20 birds would be removed from the counting schedule for 2023.

#### WAIMARINO (AREA A)

A total of 16 Waimarino moult sites were visited in early January 2023 to count paradise shelduck (Appendix 1, Table 1). Counts decreased at 7 sites and increased at 7 (the other 2 sites were counted for the first time in a number of years so had no recent data to compare). Three sites had to be visited on 24<sup>th</sup> January, 2 weeks after the original week of counting due to unsafe weather conditions and staff in COVID isolation. The 2023 total count of paradise shelduck was 3,409 which is an increase from 2022 (3,129 birds) but confirms that the Waimarino population remains at the "low end" of its historical range of abundance. The average number of paradise shelduck per moult site in 2023 was 213, which is lower than in 2022 (224 birds per moult site; Fig.2).

Landowners generally appear comfortable with recent levels of impacts from the paradise duck population in contrast to earlier years, whilst paradise continue to be a significant hunting resource. Some farmers made comments about the decrease in paradise shelduck when compared with historical populations on their properties.

The current setting of a 10-bird limit for an 8-week main season and no weekend summer season for paradise shelduck still seem to be the correct regulations for area A.

#### WHANGANUI (AREA B)

Paradise shelduck were counted at 11 Whanganui coastal and hill country moult sites in January 2023 (Appendix 1, Table 2), including Lakes Oturi, Waiau and Maumahaki located in Area C just north of the Waitotara River. There were decreases in count at 7 sites and increases at 4 sites. The total 2023 count of 1,784 is lower than in 2022 (2,418 birds) and the lowest count recorded to date. This suggests that the Whanganui paradise population is also at the "low end" of its historical range of abundance. However, some farmers commented that they did have larger numbers of paradise ducks on their properties, but they were hanging around crops not the lakes, this could be a factor in the lower numbers counted. An example is Lake Rotokauwau, the landowner had to scare 250+ birds from crops by the lake a week before the count was done.

The current setting of a 10-bird limit for an 8-week main season and no weekend summer season for paradise shelduck still seem to be the correct regulations in area B.

#### WAITOTARA RIVER CATCHMENT (AREA B&C)

Paradise shelduck were counted on 1 property containing 6 sites within the Waitotara River catchment in January 2023 (Appendix 1, Table 3). There were decreases in count at 4 sites, increase at 1 site and the inclusion of 1 new site. The total 2023 count of 194 paradise was slightly lower than in 2022 (200 birds) and is the lowest count since 2013. This suggests that the Waitotara River catchment paradise population is also trending towards the “low end” of its historical range of abundance.

The current setting of a 10-bird limit for an 8-week main season and no weekend summer season for paradise shelduck still seem to be the correct regulations.

#### TARANAKI PROVINCE (AREA C)

Counts of paradise shelduck were undertaken at 44 sites in Game Management Area C in mid-January 2022 (Appendix 1, Table 4) including sites in the Taranaki eastern hill country, ringplain and coastal areas as far north as Mohakatino and as far south as Waverley. Small numbers of paradise shelduck were counted at four new sites for the first time. For example, 66 paradise were counted at the disused Bell Block oxy ponds which had much higher water levels than usual and was therefore more attractive to a range of waterfowl. Likewise, the usually dry Komene Lagoon (Waikirikiri) near the Stony River mouth held water for the third year running and is becoming an established moult site.

Of the 38 sites with comparable counts, numbers decreased at 17 sites, increased at 15 and remained the same at 6 sites (Appendix 1, Table 4). The 2023 total count of 13,662 paradise shelduck was very similar to the previous two years (14,390 and 13,415 in 2021 and 2022 respectively) and remains above the long-term (2007 – 2023) average of 11,839 birds. Sites on the ringplain bounded by Hawera, Eltham, Stratford, Inglewood and Waitara held the bulk of the moulting population, with sites in the eastern hill country holding only moderate numbers.

Reductions at two sites can be explained by disturbance (e.g. Kaponga & Stratford oxidation ponds). A reduction in the lower Mohakatino River count (from 215 to 18) is unexplained. Overall, the population remains towards the high end of abundance. The average number of paradise shelduck per moult site in 2023 was 333 (Fig. 2) which was similar to 2021 and 2022 and above the long-term average of 271 birds per site.

Given the count and that there have still been a significant number of permits issued to farmers to disturb paradise shelduck causing damage to pasture and crops in Area C (16 so far in 2022/23), a summer hunting season to disperse birds after the moult remains a useful tool. The current setting of a 10-bird limit for an 8-week main season and a 2 or 3 weekend summer season looks about right.

### **BLACK SWAN**

#### WANGANUI – WAVERLEY COASTAL STRIP

A total of 377 black swan were counted during a ground survey of 11 dune lakes in the Whanganui to Waverley coastal strip in January 2023 (Appendix 2, Table 5). This was more than the count in 2022 (317 birds) but still less than 2021 (449 birds), and slightly above the long-term (32-year) average of 336 birds.

WAIMARINO - WANGANUI HILL COUNTRY

A total of 44 black swan were counted at 10 sites visited in the Waimarino, which is more than the previous two years and above the long term (16-year) average of 32 birds (Appendix 2, Table 6).

NORTH AND SOUTH TARANAKI

A total of 435 black swan were counted at 31 sites in the Taranaki area during January 2023 (Appendix 2, Table 7). This was more than the 388 swan counted in 2022, and is above the long-term (2007 – 2022) average of 368 swan.

CENTRAL NEW ZEALAND

Black swan are relatively mobile and it is thought that a single population extends over central New Zealand, if not further afield. The January 2023 count from Lake Wairarapa increased by 4,016 birds from the previous year (6,136 to 10,152). Counts in Wellington west also increased (from 670 to 2,328), as did the Whanganui coastal count (from 317 to 377). Nelson/Marlborough counts increased by 4,631 swan to 18,364 from 13,733 in 2022. The 2022 count was an increase of 4,874 birds from 2021, when the count was 8,859, so in Nelson/Marlborough the count more than doubled in two years. In Marlborough the increase is thought to be related to the return of eel-grass beds to the Wairau/ Vernon Lagoons. Similarly, the overall Central New Zealand count increased by 50% from 20,883 in 2022 to 31,221 in 2023 and more or less doubled from the 15,706 swan counted in 2021. The 2023 count was the highest since monitoring began in 1977.

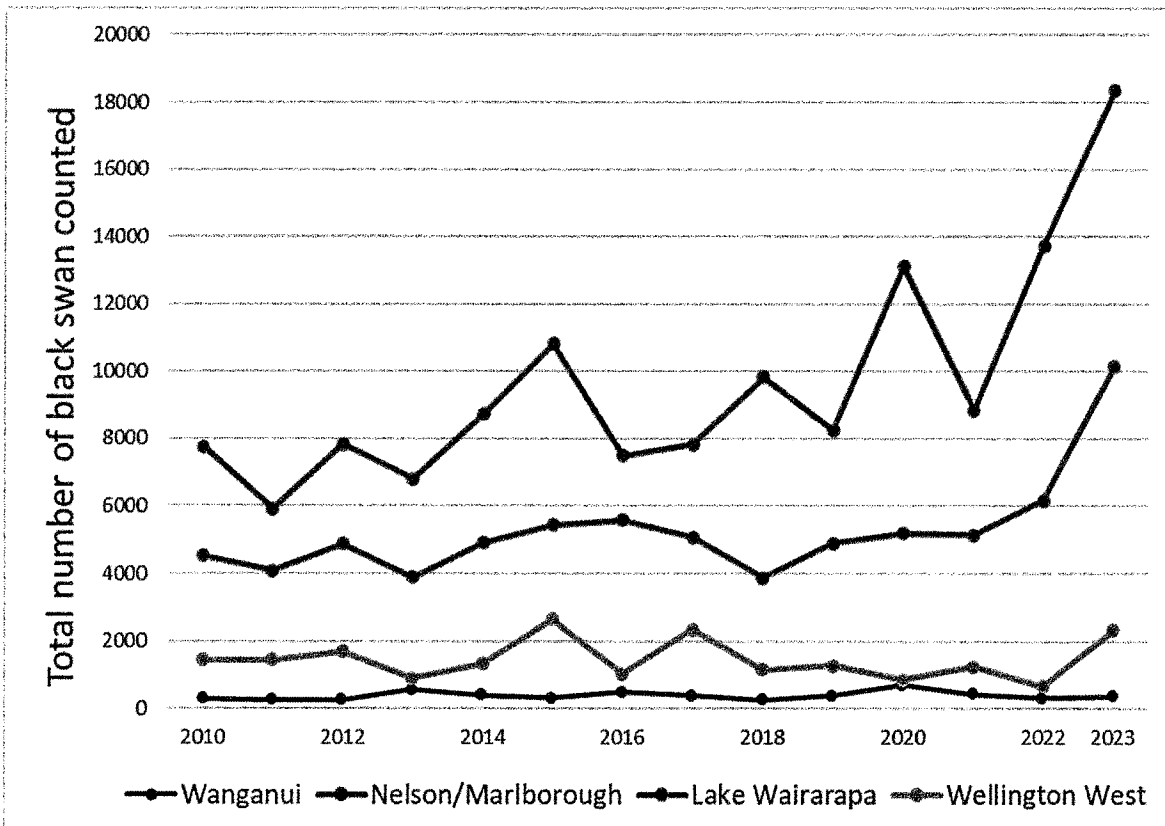


FIGURE 1. Central NZ trend counts for black swan.



Most Taranaki hunters choose not to shoot swan and the harvest since 2000 has fluctuated between an estimated 27 and 280 birds, with 197 harvested in 2022. An increase in daily bag limit from 1 swan to 2 in 2016 did not appear to have any influence on the level of harvest.

In the light of the count and harvest information, an 8-week hunting season for black swan throughout the region, with a daily bag limit of two swan per hunter remains sustainable.

#### REVIEW OF COUNT METHOD

Following this year's survey, it is recommended that the current ground-based method used to count paradise shelduck and black swan in Taranaki be reviewed, particularly in relation to hill country and coastal Whanganui - Hawera sites. Currently, staff drive/walk to all sites, which takes some considerable time. Council has received an offer of service from an experienced Hamilton-based pilot who flies A/W and Northland staff for their counts. There may also be an opportunity to piggy-back on the Wellington region flights that use a Cessna 172 based in Fielding. If it is decided to return to carrying out aerial counts of hill country and coastal Whanganui sites, a contestable funding application for an increase in base funding will need to be made in the 2023/24 budget round to cover the cost.

#### **RECOMMENDATIONS:**

- THAT THE 2023 GAMEBIRD TREND COUNT REPORT BE RECEIVED;
- THAT AN ASSESSMENT OF THE LOGISTICS AND COST OF AERIAL COUNTS BE UNDERTAKEN.

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3 February 2023

APPENDIX 1. PARADISE SHELDUCK

TABLE 1. Paradise shelduck trend counts in the Waimarino (Area A)

Site	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023		
Pritts				70	50	0	0							3	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	32	20	15	10			18		
Browns	1230	1974	2203	1592	1500	1800	2210	1875	717	1700	280	114	320	1320	944	435	363	423	378	358	319	463	102	265	230	300	150	41	380	450	316	42		
Mokanui								900	740	510	342	9	68	21	42	43	15	18	15	3	1	3	4	7	5	27	18							
Tohunga	911	380	214	657	342	0	200	240	12	8	0	0	0	13	0	0	0	0	0	48*	64	143	316	0*	101	150	2	0	0	0				
Roke	1410	1931	1542	631	1000	800	1043	710	270	750	640	273	200	68	48	125	289	67	99	48*	287	357	186	103	34	90	192	243	315	275	111	63		
Sue	350	420	786	1020	1348	1300	1068	880	1062	1300	360	561	500	530	477	428	460	123	250	309	287	357	186	103	34	90	192	243	315	275	111	63		
Punch					375	400	676	360	380	410	270	220						0	0															
Ox Ponds Raetihi					700	850	250	480	650	310	520	390	395	444	*226	410	298	176	167	48*	205	0	264	7	210	132	310	450	420	300	132	155		
Omerei (2)+ new							600	964	688	900	870	1446	540	210	280	372	331	312	270	206			144	153	116	150	119							
Fields Track										580		703	620	780	1181	495	411	302	383	286	348	310	5	3	0	17	0							
Harris												293	110	82	269	252	161	0	150	83	228	309	73	34	28	295	202	142	300	222	102			
Taonui	430	1000	605	370	38	750	850	600	814	1280	640	527	500	1222	675	630	353	432	385	494	440	518	135	93	127	147	117	279						
Aranui	250	150	250	248	180	340	344	362	415	35	440	369	400	314	294	342	223	265	249	218	239	160	167	167	125	80	47	121						
Ohakune Lake												50	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0									
Ohakune Oxy Pnd												730	540	997	875	525	590	386	512	469	533	348	376	442	665	209	171	95	240	294	135	181		
Nat Park Oxy Pnd												986		1884	2000	1100	957	457	1102	824	785	1038	1254	1200	1225	1450	1670	2200	1800	2400	840	970		
Tanupara 1												372	120	143	0	12	45	0	0							24	24	230	40	398	220	223	290	
Tanupara 2												360	150	18	32	27	6	318	350	235	301	201	213	196	103	161	141	400	96	23	102	75		
Papahau (2)												119	50	82	155	122	69	92	118	96	111	71	72	85	38	39								
Ohorea												195	0	2	180	142	195	45	243	187	152	193	0	59	198	48	0	9	16	3				
Lake Otamarahau#													400	550	560	775	550	235	613	357	441	827	256	206	225	72	20	55	21	0	16	8		
Labar Lake															72	10	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0										
Ruatiti Flats															100			0	0				0	12	7	10	0							
Manson Estate													500	213	27	0	20	420	756	683	611	702	545	501	191	92	231	244	185	20	20	32		
Kaahu Estate																	120	4	16	77	96	107	119	31	8	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Blue duck lodge																										55	60	60	3	24	18			
Makakahi lodge																										284	234	178	198	164	134	117	128	
Monikau (2)	700	800	1114	1000	1000	1000	168	604	642	625	730	664	293	478	748	903	785	463		532	678	412	446	331	735	420	562	823	331	580	416	705		
Mokanui							490	340	370	360	400	402	190	189	112	585	422	134		641	560	670	340	336	144	330	297	500	660	800	411	353		
SH4 Kakatahi																																		
Total	4581	6555	6400	5702	6533	7240	7899	7415	6920	8998	5660	9116	5837	9610	9062	7732	6691	4669	5909	6141	6256	6749	5252	4267	4918	4268	4834	5931	5232	5877	3129	3409		

**TABLE 2. Paradise shelduck trend counts in Whanganui (Area B)**

Site	1990	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
L. Marahau	900	500		822	536	433	782	1600	1205	1105	1284	610	1740	988	910	731	616	1115	884	313	287	241	399	299	254	328	186	192	552	237	493	330	667	341	
L. Waikato										310	850	0	521	315	436	1351	490	625	574	749	721	562	721	562	721	771	490	358	391	515	420	45	132		
Maewa	600	550	905	494	1144	1149	850	1700	1200	794	1377	1250	630	1115	605	870	1177	420	523	371	616	489	473	397	227	28	71	9	0	16	0				
L. Waipu	700	300		874	647	835	692	710	964	215	742	250	60	128	370	175	173	394	575	326	287	251	438	531	1070	2430	1255	1200	980	920	470	670	631	338	
L. Rotokanwau													300	0	330	134	334	222	420	178	654	685	127*	576	432	151	147	130	300	24	19	4	6	50	
L. Kohata												46	4						10	4	23	13	0	0	0	4	0		1						
L. Kaitoke												238	575	275	330	424	763	710	1024	1101	943	962	1140	650	153	720	562	730	483	290					
Arranmore																																			
L. Westmere																204			420	129	342	268	586	257	535	547	594	515	402	522	428	545	337	328	
L. Pauri																			20	8	27	35	20	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1		
L. Grassmere																			0	12	0	17	8	23	2										
Lake Oturi+														445	250	185	530	485	380	376	321	370	289	240	212	93	137	293	71	14	31	39	12		
Lake Waiau+																210	56	196	210	195	130	74	110	93	100	170	172	31	8	2	3	28	30	0	
L. Maumahaki																45	120	60		70	65	82	170	245	60	10	41	33	39	20	35	40	20	90	
+																																			
<b>TOTAL</b>											4725	3945	3860	3818	3458	3810	5655	5190	5709	3581	4552	5032	5712	5614	5209	6230	5349	4137	3945	2923	2591	2948	2418	1784	

+Sites in Area C \* disturbed site

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**TABLE 3. Paradise shelduck trend counts in the upper Waitotara catchment (Area C)**

Site Name	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023	
TLB Makakaho Rd	635	220	150	640	310	979	797	1029	770	730			508	431	525	106							1	0	141	122	
"Kidney pond"		260	470	60	370	80																	Dry	Dry	0	22	
"Bush pond"		90	20	10	0																		430	285	0	19	
Ponds at top of Makakaho Rd		6	0																				0	9	2	12	
TRB Makakaho Rd	0	83	425	360	420	214	420	409	389	269			294	68	27	27							31	100	31	7	
Makakahi Road Lower																										26	12
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>635</b>	<b>659</b>	<b>1065</b>	<b>1070</b>	<b>1100</b>	<b>1273</b>	<b>1217</b>	<b>1438</b>	<b>1159</b>	<b>999</b>			<b>802</b>	<b>499</b>	<b>552</b>	<b>133</b>							<b>462</b>	<b>394</b>	<b>200</b>	<b>194</b>	

-- no count in 2008 & 2009

**TABLE 4. Paradise shelduck trend counts in the Taranaki province (Area C).**

POND LOCATION	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023		
Waiaira River	135	355	350	25	450	260	425	330	600	234		124	380	370	740	912	577	815	644	757	477	608	1154	1000	1007	615	100	240	345	103	468	434		
Waiaira River (Purangī)	75		150											70	98	233	307	400	302	287	249	365	366	368	580	712	283	347	380	400	372	383		
TRB Waiaira River			175			80	100	55	62	10	0						150																	
Huiroa Ponds	660	360	380	320	150	230	20	297	295	30	65	70	68	30	30	30	105	80	30	70	52	17	20	32	6	2	15	23						
Whangamomona	70	85	160	75			35	55	57	73	10	62	90	155	38	97	202	180	190	155	210	199	32	55	31	19	20	20	17	11	0			
Huiroa						390	850	550	8	750	680	920	505	790	770	930	380	517	680	490	450	516	560	240	dry	0	0	205	195	260	45	195		
Huiakama																		130	6	82	102	119	25	115	240	214	71	15	6	15	10	2		
Tahora	360	240	195	50	115		195	90	115	266		30	330	270	156	125	0	100	133	68	99	7	53	39	66	176	130	210	302	455	294	455		
K1 Tahora		30	125	0	370	250	290	340	190	160	324	450	600	590	530	530	465	415	260	5	20	47	4	78	230	300	233	410	153	55	105	105		
K2 Tahora														85	136	120	27	55	110	101	17	93	102	137	177	23	6	15	41	1	5			
Rimuputa Rd Tahora																				145	4*	170	12				250	32	0	3	5	210	181	
Moki Road Tahora																									787	430	9	137	278	700	750	260	365	
Mt. Dampier	520	125	180		85	50	0	40	90	0	0	0	0	30	150	250	150	250	150	100	250	150	200	300	250	300	300	300	250	250				
Boar Road	520	155	520	500	450	250	780	675	610	550	660	714	635	520	715	580	680	800	607	217	183	196	140	126	151	94	37	35	0	2	11			
Waiaanga		120	0		25	35	35	0	170	154	30				22	12										80	100							
Lower Mohakatino Estuary (SH3)									100	130	170	177	202	300	250	250	186	320	243	194	165	253	263	302	409	441	301	313	104	234	215	18		
Lwr. Mangaehu River				255			645	670	530	700	500	504	585	575	715	435	220	254	448			819	613	1100	913	884	605	565	490	472	727	209	374	
Upr. Mangaehu River																											55	70						
Lake Cowley (Waiaira)	800	300	280	200	470	530	210	180	590	530	1000	820	1000	750	480	340	340	970	620	800	720	645	650	178	315	188	390	266	300	570	950	1180		
Lake Ratapiko	0	70	0	0	0	0	80	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Tariki Road			150	300	20	13	0	50	90	35	13	0	55	0	0	0	0	57	4	59	41	29	20	7	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Croydon Rd JT		300	50	0		18	40	2	40	38	38	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	10	20	0	0	5	0									
Croydon Road											10	0	0	0	15	21	0	0	0	0	0	12	0	0	10	14	15	14	0	0	0	0	0	
Wiremu Station (Opunake)	1150	800	700	1400	910	1650	1640	1300	1500	920	650	780	1100	1000	1000	1340	1075	1300	1640	1150	1140	950	1250	1000	700	1000	800	1000	1434	1300	1300	1300		
Saunders Road	270	230	300	300	430																													
Corbett Lake (Saunders Rd Okato)			20	1	9	190	270	300	450	385	700	500	200	650	295	295	66	300	275	335	405	185	260	295	500	270	210	460	470	575	330	250		
Oxford Road Lake															315	395	534	510	702	400*	10	260	240	57	0	13	2	17	47	75	4	2		
SH45 Omata			16	9	7	0	0	0	9	20	20	92	0	27	170	0	3	5	7	1	7	0	0	8	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Barrett Lagoon (New Plymouth)	0	100	65	350	430	610	550	620	700	650	340	300	600	615	570	703	450	590	827	581	640	587	826	670	640	950	335	620	663	780	500	680		
Umutekai Road		270	250	475	300	500	640	520	600	600	500	400	480	450	420	420	380	545	450	400	580	735	550	480	555	470	390	650	1038	1050	1150	1061		
Alfred Road	450	800	550	550	300	226	263	157	277	126	194	305	380	305	490	638	730	810	487	686	622	590	600	450	330	400	205	420	400	90	20	7		
upper Egnmont Road					70	180	28	30	85	160	200	6	2	3	0							105	285	360	385	270	330	370	178	425	550	800	500	
Richmond Rd.			50	110	72	31	5	45	50	180	385	350	490	475	620	875	770	775	450	420	411	435	285	285	407	450	430	114	220	270	128	90		
Upper Newall Road		7			190	90	30	0	0	0	0	0	0	7	0	0	dry																	
Punehu							0	70	54	36	8	15	4	3	19	0	7	0	2	38	60	3	15	5	5	0	62	0	0	0	0	1		
Hawera oxidation ponds (2)							20	70	95	122	190	200	260	274	320	415	450	394	421	483	347	460	485	490	485	490	350	475	360	414	476	355	470	
Waingongoro Road										60	23	2	55	210	470	365	90	0		10	33	204	285	195	600	40	470	750	733	650	1200	1160		

**TABLE 4 (Continued).** Paradise shelduck trend counts in the Taranaki province (Area C).

POND LOCATION	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023					
Teaich Road Omata (2)										12	0	25	0	0	0	1	3	7	1	1	0	0	0	1	0	0	8	11	0								
Teaich Road (2)								0	0	0	18	0	0	2	5	8	2	5	1	3	10	7	5	5	5	6	0	0									
Teaich Rd (2)												165	0	26	7	16	0	0	7	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0								
Vaiwiri Road															40	30	30	30		0	0	60	25	20			0										
Waipi Road															9	18	2	19	0	1		14	0	7			7	0	49	50	21						
Wairatford oxidation ponds													375	300	450	564	617	900	1020	950	1123	1000	1050	1100	1240	1400	1180	1470	1769	1400	1300	75					
Wairatford Rd Rotokare (3)													40	70	7	7	0																				
Wairatford Station														300	415	472	430	450	170	47	300	135	62	47	2	120	dry	75	20	0	320						
Wairatford Road														100	450	59	45	25	200	130	145	360	506	265	220	204	180	45	130	170	100	19					
Wairatford Lakes (2)										0	0	0	6	30	30	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	40	2	0	82	0	50					
Wairatford Manutahi Road																	145	2	7	8	23	83	6*	128	180	150	100	295	365	360	137	28					
Wairatford oxidation ponds																		135	220	279	344	350	320	440	385	400	470	635	770	600	500	78					
Wairatford Road																					175	275	434	220	300	354	46	175	340	dry							
Wairatford Oxidation ponds														0	0	0	0	5	5	4	1	135	252	160	270	297	217	573	220	700	480	95					
Wairatford Oxidation Ponds																						36	62	30	31	103	180	340	586	560	510	58					
Wairatford Stewart Wetland																				0	0			93	0	0	0	0									
Wairatford Mangamahoe																					0	0			16	20	49	87	149	78	112	10					
Wairatford Waiongana																											158	260	79	217	210	21					
Wairatford Road upper																												600	300	226							
Wairatford Manaia oxidation pond																												43	73	17	115	9					
Wairatford Moponga oxidation pond																												290	366	0	0						
Wairatford Manaia oxidation pond																																					
Wairatford Moponga Lagoon																																					
Wairatford Vaipu Lagoons																																					
Wairatford Bell Block Oxy ponds																																					
Wairatford Punake Lake																																					
Wairatford 00 Wills Road																																					
Wairatford Richmond Road 2																																					
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>4947</b>	<b>4325</b>	<b>4541</b>	<b>5325</b>	<b>4776</b>	<b>5759</b>	<b>7507</b>	<b>6748</b>	<b>7722</b>	<b>6801</b>	<b>6408</b>	<b>7029</b>	<b>8270</b>	<b>9244</b>	<b>10154</b>	<b>10993</b>	<b>9778</b>	<b>12095</b>	<b>11562</b>	<b>9489</b>	<b>10770</b>	<b>11014</b>	<b>12882</b>	<b>11495</b>	<b>11990</b>	<b>11635</b>	<b>9196</b>	<b>11706</b>	<b>14346</b>	<b>14390</b>	<b>13415</b>	<b>1366</b>					

**APPENDIX 2. BLACK SWAN**

**TABLE 5. Black swan trend counts in the Wanganui - Waverley coastal strip.**

Name	1991	1992	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Waipu	20	17	74	37	9	17	20	33	10	82	35	14	47	118	60	10	40	3	1	4	10	32	135	55	11	27	22	30	117	8	6	0	
Rotokauwau	5	60	7	25	5	5	38	11	12	14	6	29	25	16	50	50	51	74	41	3	38	8	13	2	12	4	9	15	21	50	110	83	
Grassmere	2	13	11	0	0	0	18	0	2	1																							
Wiritoa	0	0	0	10	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	4	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Pauri	22	76	65		13	10	14	0	27	10	10	32	0	0	57	14	4	2	14	7	46	8	32	4	4	7	14	0	0	0	0	0	4
Kohata					7	8	0	5	0	4	0	8	4	9	16	2	48	18	12	8	7	2	10	6	1								
Kaitoke	85	48	25	36	24	24	19	105	21	30	175	56	69	52	31	140	15	24	74	25	43	360	40	86	271	214	48	213	405	153	106	115	
Westmere	20	1			14	0	6	0	1	2	6	12	5	6	8	4	4	5	6	22	5	37	16	31	20	13	11	5	3	1	7	2	
Arranmore																																	
Marahau	35	19	70	40	39	36	14	8	116	42	50	20	56	64	26	4	33	28	38	47	41	16	30	13	51	18	11	41	13	18	37	9	
Waikato	15	7	20	6	10	0	6	5	13	9	10	23	9	0	46	7	9	3	8	5	7	4	6	5	8	2	0	0	5	51	16	54	
Waiau	5	16	10	7	3	25	36	11	47	0	0	0	7	8	6	4	4	0	0	8	0	0	10	5	9	4	68	2	31	26	3	4	
Herengawe	0	3	11	7	22	0	25	40	4	35	4	41	0	11	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6	6	0	27	0	36	0	0	18	
Oturi	85	125	33	119	45	0	32	95	7	45	20	0	57	26	94	170	114	119	107	131	70	95	102	95	117	91	14	75	44	134	30	82	
Hawkins					5	7	15	8	19	80	26	4	11	6	8	17	9																
Okioia																																	
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>385</b>	<b>326</b>	<b>299</b>	<b>199</b>	<b>132</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>327</b>	<b>340</b>	<b>300</b>	<b>323</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>243</b>	<b>290</b>	<b>323</b>	<b>406</b>	<b>423</b>	<b>335</b>	<b>285</b>	<b>301</b>	<b>261</b>	<b>268</b>	<b>562</b>	<b>411</b>	<b>308</b>	<b>510</b>	<b>380</b>	<b>256</b>	<b>381</b>	<b>683</b>	<b>449</b>	<b>317</b>	<b>377</b>

**TABLE 6. Black swan trend counts in Waimarino and Whanganui hill country sites.**

Site	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023
Browns	4	6	2	0	2	3	4	3	0	0	5	3	4	1	0	0	0
Roke	13	12	14	3	5	1	4	8	0	0							16
Ohakune Oxy Pond	2	2	0	0	0	0	0	2	5	0	0	0	1	1	2	5	9
Raetihi Oxy Ponds (2)	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Morikau (3)	19	12	0		2	4	6	6	1	9	6	9	8	13	16	8	5
Mokanui	6	5	0		3	1	0	6	8	8	6	7	14	12	5	1	3
Taonui	6	5	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	5				
Harris	8	6	7			0	0	6	5	5	3	1	9	8	5	2	0
Old Fields Track	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0					
Kaahu Estate	2	0	0	0	4	0	0	1	0	0	3	3	1	0	0		
Lake Otamaraha	10	1	1	3	5	2	12	7	0	1	0	6	0	4	0	0	4
Sues								2	1	1	0	4	3	4	2	1	5
National Park Oxy Pnd								4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Makakahi																	2
<b>Total</b>	<b>59</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>24</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>45</b>	<b>43</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>44</b>

TABLE 7. Black swan trend counts in north and south Taranaki.

POND LOCATION	1993	1994	1995	1996	1997	1998	1999	2000	2001	2002	2003	2004	2005	2006	2007	2008	2009	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	2023		
Lake Cowley (Waitara)	38	53	29	32	52	16	24	35	17	104	60	92	98	28	67	34	84	83	69	133	67	77	74	112	115	85	92	99	138	81	114		
Lake Ngangana (Waitara)	7	3	7	1	6	6	6	7	6	5	4	9	6	5	3	4	5	0	2	1	0	0	1	7	0	4	1	5	6	0	0		
Lake Mangamahoe	2	16	9	11	12	14	15	24	9	5	20	12	16	19	32	48	19	17	30	27	75	31	93	44	38	52	34	44	28	37	37		
Umutekai Rd	2	0	0	0	4	3	5	0	5	0	0	10	0	3	0	0	3	1	0	5	0	0	0	2	0	0	4	1	3	1	2		
Winstones Manutahi Road							3	1							0	1	2	7	5	5	1	1	2	5	4	0	4	1	4	2	0		
Barrett Lagoon	0	0	4	2	7	4	3	4	3	1	7	7	7	2	3	7	8	1	2	2	10	7	0	4	7	7	0	2	22	25	19		
Alfred Road		10	12	18	16	13	15	17	18	22	14	20	30	32	39	42	24	28	40	56	42	50	47	38	72	30	14	14	5	5	10		
Waipu Lagoons	2	0	5	0	3	4	0	4	0	6	0	0	0	4	3	4	1		3	6	3	2	1	3	2	0	4	4	6	5	5		
Bell Block Oxidation Ponds	11	0	0	15	15	0	10	2	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	1	0	4	0	0	1	0	10		
Tariki Road		0	1	0	1	0	0	4	6	0	0	5	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	2	7	2	0	0			
LandCorp Wiremu	4	1	1	6	5	4	0	6	3	1	0	0	3	5	2	5	2	6	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	1	4	0	0	0	0		
Arawhata Road		1	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0					0	0	0	0	0			
Beach Road Omata	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Richmond Rd									6	0	6	0	6	0	9	0	5	4	4	5	4	4	1	4	2	1	1	1	7	3	1		
Perth Road					0	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0						
Upland Road									7	10	0	0	0	0	2	0	3	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0			
Komene Lagoon (Okato)									11	0	0	0	0	0	27	dry	1	1	dry	0		15	dry	dry	3	dry	dry	dry	7	5	8		
Inglewood Oxy Ponds												6	5	4	0	0	0	0	3	6	5	0	3	7	2	5	3	1	7	10	4		
Egmont Road																																	
Clarke Rd																5	0			0					0	2	0						
Stratford oxidation ponds														0	3	2	2	3	7	7	11	17	13	18	17	13	4	20	27	37	43		
Opunake Lake													0		0					0	11	5	14	0	2	5	5	2	0	4	2		
Punehu					24	7	8	7	7	0	3	10	8	1	6	6	4	4	4	5	6	6	6	7	17	2	2	25	22	0	2		
Opunake oxidation ponds																8	1	6	1	4	5	6	6	3	5	2	1	3	5	4	2		
Hawera oxidation ponds					140	118	111	83	47	57	39	25	37	42	51	81	73	84	132	130	120	135	151	101	80	92	108	145	94	68			
Nowell's Lakes (2)			28			0	0		4	36	25	47	38	14	19	28	20	12	18	29	16	29	29	18	24	41	22	18	33	44	42		
Lake Taumaha (Manutahi)			0						1	8	0	6	1	1	1	1	4	0	1	0	1	0	5	7	5	2	16	4	5	3	1		
Lake Kaikoura (Ball Rd)										5	0	5	2	0	0	0	9	1	1	1	1	0	0	0	7	12	18	7	29	13	10		
Spence Road												7		2																			





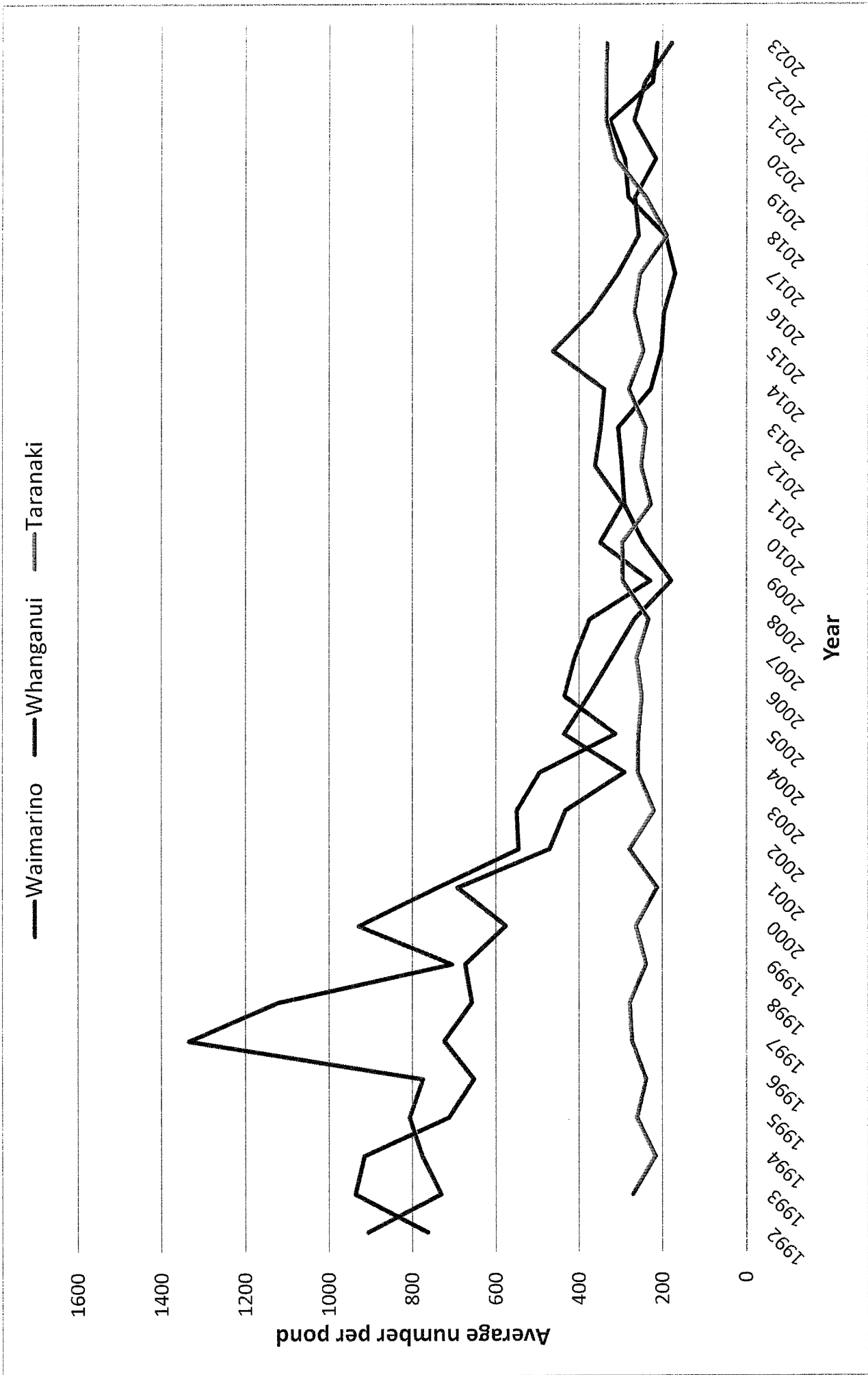


Figure 2. Mean count of paradise shelduck per pond per year in Waimarino (Area A), Whanganui (Area B) and Taranaki (Area C) regions since 1992.

**TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL**

The Chairman  
Taranaki Fish and Game Council

**Taranaki Fish Licence Sales Report**

Please find attached National fish licence sales to 31 January 2023 for the 2022/2023 season with comparison to the previous year

Jilli Steedman  
SECRETARY  
7<sup>th</sup> February 2023

**RECOMMENDATION**

That the Taranaki Fish Licence Sales report, be received



**National Fish Licence Sales YTD to 31 January 2023**

	Channel	FWF	FWA	FWNA	FSLA	FLAA	FWIA	FLBA	FSBA	FDA	FDNA	FWJ	FWNJ	FDJ	FDNJ	FWC	FWNC	FDNC	SRSE	Total Fish	Fish LEQ	Fish Var	Fish \$	Inc/Dec	
Northland	Agency Online	9	32	0	4	3	0	0	1	2	1	2	0	0	0	7	2	0	0	0	63				
	Public Online	19	56	3	4	7	0	0	5	32	2	6	0	13	0	5	0	0	0	0	152				
	<b>Total</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>88</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>215</b>	<b>152</b>		<b>\$18,156</b>	
2021-2022	Agency Online	27	71	75	2	7	0	1	9	47	60	10	1	3	1	44	2	0	0	0	360				
	Public Online	12	28	3	5	2	0	1	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	5	0	0	8	0	66				
	<b>Total</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>426</b>	<b>268</b>	<b>75.7%</b>	<b>\$33,767</b>	<b>\$15,611</b>
Auckland Waikato	Agency Online	146	419	3	86	16	0	3	15	65	1	47	1	5	0	53	1	0	0	0	861				
	Public Online	380	987	24	156	83	0	3	58	380	28	121	4	53	0	270	2	0	0	0	2,549				
	<b>Total</b>	<b>526</b>	<b>1406</b>	<b>27</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>99</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>73</b>	<b>445</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>323</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,410</b>	<b>2,544</b>		<b>\$303,074</b>	
2021-2022	Agency Online	170	478	39	93	43	0	2	32	129	14	38	0	10	1	49	2	0	23	0	1,123				
	Public Online	331	845	130	160	96	0	3	65	401	197	137	7	68	5	335	3	0	0	0	2,783				
	<b>Total</b>	<b>501</b>	<b>1323</b>	<b>169</b>	<b>253</b>	<b>139</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>530</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>384</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>23</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,906</b>	<b>2,669</b>	<b>4.9%</b>	<b>\$336,517</b>	<b>\$33,443</b>
Eastern	Agency Online	1,041	928	3	260	845	0	8	105	480	9	150	0	55	2	71	0	0	0	0	3,957				
	Public Online	1,285	1,063	16	258	550	0	10	266	1,216	42	173	3	107	4	405	2	3	0	0	5,403				
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2326</b>	<b>1991</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>518</b>	<b>1395</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>371</b>	<b>1696</b>	<b>51</b>	<b>323</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>162</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>476</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9,360</b>	<b>7,088</b>		<b>\$844,349</b>	
2021-2022	Agency Online	930	835	65	233	724	0	8	96	389	184	153	8	46	9	56	1	8	65	0	3,810				
	Public Online	1,229	929	130	265	600	0	25	271	1,091	395	177	10	162	8	587	7	7	0	0	5,893				
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2159</b>	<b>1764</b>	<b>195</b>	<b>498</b>	<b>1324</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>33</b>	<b>367</b>	<b>1480</b>	<b>579</b>	<b>330</b>	<b>18</b>	<b>208</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>643</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>65</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9,703</b>	<b>6,807</b>	<b>-4.0%</b>	<b>\$858,321</b>	<b>\$13,972</b>
Hawke's Bay	Agency Online	195	533	9	154	118	0	0	14	83	1	85	1	46	0	6	0	0	0	0	1,245				
	Public Online	194	558	11	93	93	0	3	48	236	8	97	2	40	0	140	0	0	0	0	1,523				
	<b>Total</b>	<b>389</b>	<b>1091</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>247</b>	<b>211</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>319</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>182</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>86</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>146</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,768</b>	<b>2,112</b>		<b>\$251,589</b>	
2021-2022	Agency Online	145	422	42	134	86	0	4	21	67	173	67	1	7	4	38	0	0	9	0	1,220				
	Public Online	212	469	134	97	55	0	11	49	181	131	86	0	29	4	155	3	3	0	0	1,619				
	<b>Total</b>	<b>357</b>	<b>891</b>	<b>176</b>	<b>231</b>	<b>141</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>248</b>	<b>304</b>	<b>153</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>36</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,839</b>	<b>2,001</b>	<b>-5.2%</b>	<b>\$252,304</b>	<b>\$715</b>
Taranaki	Agency Online	49	237	1	51	12	0	0	8	12	1	38	0	6	0	20	0	0	0	0	435				
	Public Online	81	213	4	28	26	0	1	20	56	0	33	1	20	0	76	0	0	0	0	559				
	<b>Total</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>450</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>38</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>28</b>	<b>68</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>71</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>26</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>96</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>994</b>	<b>758</b>		<b>\$90,340</b>	
2021-2022	Agency Online	34	194	7	51	16	0	2	10	21	3	41	0	5	0	39	0	0	13	0	436				
	Public Online	78	217	73	29	21	0	1	31	76	90	37	1	24	4	129	3	1	0	0	815				
	<b>Total</b>	<b>112</b>	<b>411</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>41</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>93</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>29</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>168</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1,251</b>	<b>801</b>	<b>5.6%</b>	<b>\$100,942</b>	<b>\$10,602</b>
Wellington	Agency Online	193	858	2	138	100	0	3	16	85	0	127	0	46	0	136	2	0	0	0	1,706				
	Public Online	286	916	13	143	112	0	1	33	209	4	115	0	33	0	374	0	0	0	0	2,239				
	<b>Total</b>	<b>479</b>	<b>1774</b>	<b>15</b>	<b>281</b>	<b>212</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>294</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>242</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>79</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>510</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,945</b>	<b>2,939</b>		<b>\$350,069</b>	
2021-2022	Agency Online	162	647	13	145	78	0	4	6	48	30	75	0	32	0	160	0	0	49	0	1,449				
	Public Online	222	773	105	153	97	0	5	26	169	65	103	1	73	1	399	2	2	0	0	2,196				
	<b>Total</b>	<b>384</b>	<b>1420</b>	<b>118</b>	<b>298</b>	<b>175</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>217</b>	<b>95</b>	<b>178</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>559</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>49</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>3,645</b>	<b>2,540</b>	<b>-13.6%</b>	<b>\$320,211</b>	<b>-\$29,857</b>
Nelson/Marl	Agency Online	444	855	6	203	98	0	0	34	104	0	108	0	14	0	187	0	0	0	0	2,053				
	Public Online	312	612	16	116	91	0	5	44	296	8	97	3	47	0	339	0	0	0	0	1,986				
	<b>Total</b>	<b>756</b>	<b>1467</b>	<b>22</b>	<b>319</b>	<b>189</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>400</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>205</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>526</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>4,039</b>	<b>3,034</b>		<b>\$361,398</b>	
2021-2022	Agency Online	405	858	232	201	78	0	2	24	72	191	105	2	16	1	147	0	2	415	0	2,751				
	Public Online	329	576	181	126	78	0	4	38	346	125	119	8	54	2	427	4	3	0	0	2,420				
	<b>Total</b>	<b>734</b>	<b>1434</b>	<b>413</b>	<b>327</b>	<b>156</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>62</b>	<b>418</b>	<b>316</b>	<b>224</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>70</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>574</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>415</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>5,171</b>	<b>3,408</b>	<b>12.3%</b>	<b>\$429,682</b>	<b>\$68,285</b>
North Canterbury	Agency Online	1,712	2,926	8	783	54	0	7	137	226	8	266	1	21	0	320	0	0	0	0	6,469				
	Public Online	1,103	1,875	13	343	86	0	6	134	858	31	278	5	145	0	1,109	0	0	0	0	5,986				
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2815</b>	<b>4801</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>1126</b>	<b>140</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>1084</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>544</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>166</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1429</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>12,455</b>	<b>9,947</b>		<b>\$1,184,942</b>	
2021-2022	Agency Online	1,597	2,713	125	799	60	0	4	84	192	51	284	3	20	1	345	3	0	3,778	0	10,059				
	Public Online	1,078	1,768	131	310	91	0	6	93	768	277	317	7	104	4	1,402	5	11	2,182	0	8,554				
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2675</b>	<b>4481</b>	<b>256</b>	<b>1109</b>	<b>151</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>177</b>	<b>960</b>	<b>328</b>	<b>601</b>	<b>10</b>	<b>124</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1747</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>5960</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>18,613</b>	<b>9,678</b>	<b>-2.7%</b>	<b>\$1,220,276</b>	<b>\$35,334</b>

**National Fish Licence Sales YTD to 31 January 2023**

	Channel	FWF	FWA	FWNA	FSLA	FLAA	FWIA	FLBA	FSBA	FDA	FDNA	FWJ	FWNJ	FDJ	FDNJ	FWC	FWNC	FDNC	SRSE	Total Fish	Fish LEQ	Fish Var	Fish \$	Inc/Dec
West Coast	Agency Online	130	267	0	50	62	0	4	18	81	2	46	0	9	0	6	0	0	0	675				
	Public Online	272	358	3	75	68	0	2	42	190	5	68	1	41	0	228	1	0	0	1,354				
	<b>Total</b>	<b>402</b>	<b>625</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>130</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>60</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>114</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>50</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>234</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>2,029</b>	<b>1,455</b>		<b>\$173,384</b>	
2021-2022	Agency Online	124	232	10	52	68	0	0	10	41	123	57	0	2	18	8	0	7	87	839				
	Public Online	302	372	164	84	66	0	6	48	163	150	87	5	19	2	245	2	2	0	1,717				
	<b>Total</b>	<b>426</b>	<b>604</b>	<b>174</b>	<b>136</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>6</b>	<b>58</b>	<b>204</b>	<b>273</b>	<b>144</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>20</b>	<b>253</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>87</b>	<b>2,556</b>	<b>1,692</b>	<b>16.2%</b>	<b>\$213,296</b>	<b>\$39,912</b>
2022-2023	Agency Online	1,867	1,928	5	684	528	0	8	265	921	4	417	0	150	0	421	0	1	0	7,199				
	Public Online	1,322	1,572	25	243	285	0	22	369	1,509	65	296	3	152	3	985	2	1	0	6,854				
	<b>Total</b>	<b>3189</b>	<b>3500</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>927</b>	<b>813</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>30</b>	<b>634</b>	<b>2430</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>713</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>302</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1406</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>14,053</b>	<b>9,913</b>		<b>\$1,180,964</b>	
Central South Is	Agency Online	1,695	1,836	34	659	453	0	16	217	852	207	363	3	145	2	395	3	1	2,421	9,302				
	Public Online	1,486	1,618	325	306	373	0	45	398	1,864	459	388	9	232	9	1,383	16	6	2,175	11,092				
	<b>Total</b>	<b>3181</b>	<b>3454</b>	<b>359</b>	<b>965</b>	<b>826</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>61</b>	<b>615</b>	<b>2716</b>	<b>666</b>	<b>751</b>	<b>12</b>	<b>377</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>1778</b>	<b>19</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>4596</b>	<b>20,394</b>	<b>10,397</b>	<b>4.9%</b>	<b>\$1,310,905</b>	<b>\$129,940</b>
2021-2022	Agency Online	2,356	3,385	6	745	163	0	8	128	417	8	372	0	41	0	17	0	1	0	7,647				
	Public Online	2,014	2,406	47	309	370	0	17	230	1,441	47	415	5	152	0	1,059	1	1	0	8,514				
	<b>Total</b>	<b>4370</b>	<b>5791</b>	<b>53</b>	<b>1054</b>	<b>533</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>25</b>	<b>358</b>	<b>1858</b>	<b>55</b>	<b>787</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>193</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>1076</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>16,161</b>	<b>13,459</b>		<b>\$1,603,401</b>	
2022-2023	Agency Online	2,129	2,946	119	696	149	0	9	92	401	485	357	14	45	47	12	6	9	602	8,118				
	Public Online	2,022	2,195	366	357	364	0	30	179	1,541	941	473	33	221	58	1,365	11	28	0	10,184				
	<b>Total</b>	<b>4151</b>	<b>5141</b>	<b>485</b>	<b>1053</b>	<b>513</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>39</b>	<b>271</b>	<b>1942</b>	<b>1426</b>	<b>830</b>	<b>47</b>	<b>266</b>	<b>105</b>	<b>1377</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>37</b>	<b>602</b>	<b>18,302</b>	<b>13,181</b>	<b>-2.1%</b>	<b>\$1,661,928</b>	<b>\$58,527</b>
Southland	Agency Online	1,698	2,231	6	475	125	0	2	83	207	8	414	1	26	0	39	0	0	0	5,315				
	Public Online	776	975	25	95	144	0	12	120	546	24	254	3	43	0	599	0	0	0	3,616				
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2474</b>	<b>3206</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>570</b>	<b>269</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>14</b>	<b>203</b>	<b>753</b>	<b>32</b>	<b>668</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>69</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>638</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>8,931</b>	<b>7,494</b>		<b>\$892,772</b>	
2021-2022	Agency Online	1,590	1,949	23	452	173	0	10	77	194	59	435	2	32	2	77	1	1	247	5,324				
	Public Online	814	910	482	114	116	0	7	148	584	444	293	19	87	9	824	10	6	0	4,867				
	<b>Total</b>	<b>2404</b>	<b>2859</b>	<b>505</b>	<b>566</b>	<b>289</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>17</b>	<b>225</b>	<b>778</b>	<b>503</b>	<b>728</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>119</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>901</b>	<b>11</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>247</b>	<b>10,191</b>	<b>7,661</b>	<b>2.2%</b>	<b>\$965,948</b>	<b>\$73,176</b>
2022-2023	Direct	8,044	11,591	200	1,863	1,915	-	82	1,369	6,969	264	1,953	30	846	7	5,589	8	5	-	40,735	27,492		\$3,275,185	
	AOL	9,840	14,599	49	3,633	2,124	-	43	824	2,683	43	2,072	4	419	2	1,283	5	2	-	37,625	33,402		\$3,979,253	
	<b>Total</b>	<b>17,884</b>	<b>26,190</b>	<b>249</b>	<b>5,496</b>	<b>4,039</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>125</b>	<b>2,193</b>	<b>9,652</b>	<b>307</b>	<b>4,025</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>1,265</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>6,872</b>	<b>13</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>78,360</b>	<b>60,895</b>		<b>\$7,254,438</b>	
TOTAL	Direct	8,115	10,700	2,224	2,006	1,959	-	144	1,346	7,184	3,275	2,218	100	1,073	106	7,256	66	69	4,365	52,206	29,548		\$3,725,602	
	AOL	9,008	13,181	784	3,517	1,935	-	62	678	2,453	1,580	1,985	34	363	86	1,370	18	28	7,709	44,791	31,554		\$3,978,495	
	<b>Total</b>	<b>17,123</b>	<b>23,881</b>	<b>3,008</b>	<b>5,523</b>	<b>3,894</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>206</b>	<b>2,024</b>	<b>9,637</b>	<b>4,855</b>	<b>4,203</b>	<b>134</b>	<b>1,436</b>	<b>192</b>	<b>8,626</b>	<b>84</b>	<b>97</b>	<b>12,074</b>	<b>96,997</b>	<b>61,101</b>	<b>0.3%</b>	<b>\$449,659</b>	<b>\$449,659</b>

<i>National Variance against 2021/2022 YTD</i>			
	207	0.3%	\$449,659
<i>2022-23 Summary YTD Actual vs Total Budget</i>			
2022-23 Annual Budget	70,627	100.0%	\$8,905,128
2022-23 YTD Actual	61,101	86.5%	\$7,704,097
Variance to Budget	-\$9,526	-13.5%	-\$1,201,031

Taranaki Fish & Game Council  
Budget Report to 31 December 2022

And

Project Progress to 31 January 2023

OUTPUT	Budget external costs	YTD external costs (31/12/22)	Comments on significant variations	Budget Hours	YTD hours
Population Monitoring	10,100	245		470	156.25
Harvest Assessment				50	2.25
Hatchery	8,500	5,127		85	29.75
Liberations	6,000	5,861		110	73
Season Regulations				30	14.5
Gamebird Dispersal	2,500	1,768		120	50.75
RMA				500	49.75
Habitat Management & Enhancement	20,000	5,000		400	64.25
Assessing & Monitoring				100	56.25
Hunter / Angler Access	1,000			100	1.25
Satisfaction Survey				10	
Magazine / Newsletter / Ezine	9,500	2,780		140	86.50
Hunter / Angler support	2,000				
Clubs	300	300		10	8.75
Statutory Liaison				30	11.25
Iwi Liaison	100			40	33
Information to Clients				70	34.50
General Advocacy	1,100			250	55.5
Hunting & Angling Promotions	3,300	2,208		30	103
Ranger Management	1,000	1,618		112	29
Compliance	2,100			170	10.75
Licensing & Commission	10,281	2,760		50	3
Council Meetings & Administration	9,500	2,164		280	116.75
Management, Strategic & Policy	1,000			40	58.25
Business Planning				40	7
OSH & Other Reporting	6,340	405		55	84.75
National Liaison	100	26		160	31.75
<b>Total Expenditure</b>	<b>94,721</b>	<b>30,261</b>		<b>3452</b>	<b>1174.75</b>

Project Income	Budget Income	YTD Income
Fish Population Assessment	200	226
Harvest Assessment – Summer Season	500	
Liberations		1,825
Gamebird Dispersal	750	640
Taranaki Hunting & Habitat Scheme	15,000	
Compliance	1,000	
<b>Total Income</b>	<b>17,450</b>	<b>2,691</b>
<b>Net Expenditure</b>	<b>77,271</b>	<b>27,570</b>

Overheads	Budget	YTD
1910 Salaries & Management Contract	232,957	76,028
1920 Staff Expenses	3,900	3,721
1940 Office Premises	22,200	7,515
1950 Office Equipment	500	1,410
1960 Communications / Consumables	7,750	1,818
1970 General	2,750	2,077
1980 General Equipment	6,494	76
1990 Vehicles	15,100	7,133
<b>Total Overheads</b>	<b>291,651</b>	<b>99,778</b>

Other Income & Expenses	Budget	YTD
Interest	1,477	
Wellington Fish & Game Admin	4,000	2,660
Donations & Other Income		50
<b>Total Other Income &amp; Expenses</b>	<b>5,477</b>	<b>2,710</b>

Nett Project, Overhead and Other Expenditure/Income	Budget	YTD
	363,445	124,638 (34%)

**MOVEMENTS IN RESERVES**

From	To	Reason	Amount	Date Paid
Hunting & Habitat Scheme	Paul Mander	Tie Pekatu Wetland Project	5,000	21.12.22

**SPECIES MANAGEMENT**

2022/2023 Annual Plan – Planned Result	Progress to date
<p><b>Objective:</b>  <b>Obtain accurate and pertinent information to guide and enable effective management decisions to maximise user success and satisfaction while ensuring the sustainability of sports fish and gamebird populations across the region</b></p>	
<p>1. Assess juvenile trout recruitment in Waiongana / Mangaoraka Stream to identify threats for the maintenance and enhancement of the fishery (yr 2 of 2).</p>	<p><i>Electric fishing survey to be conducted in early December 2023.</i></p>
<p>2. Investigate Waingongoro fishery to determine current status and identify threats and opportunities (yr 1 of 2)</p>	<p><i>An electro fishing survey of the Waingongoro River catchment was conducted on 5-8<sup>th</sup> December 2022 to assess juvenile recruitment. 13 sites were surveyed in the Waingongoro mainstem and larger tributaries. A draft report is currently being prepared.</i></p>
<p>3. Monitor and report information on the status of the region’s trout fisheries sufficient to measure overall angler success (through a diary scheme), set effective regulations and inform management directions.</p>	<p><i>Angler diaries sent to 30 anglers prior to the start of the 2022/23 season. Field Officer, Jacob Morison helped Riverwise Consulting electric fish 10 sites in Kapuni Stream (25/10/2022). A 2021/22 Annual Fish Monitoring Report was prepared for Council’s 15 October 2022 meeting.</i></p>
<p>4. Implement an effective grey and mallard duck banding programme in the Whanganui area as the first step to obtain an estimate of the population size and level of hunting harvest which will guide future monitoring requirements and regulation setting (yr 4 of 5).</p>	<p><i>Approval given for researcher, Murray Williams, to have access to historical banding data held by DOC (14/11/2022). Field Officer Jacob Morison helped Wellington Fish &amp; Game with their mallard banding on 26<sup>th</sup> and 27<sup>th</sup> of January 2023 at Tara Station, Dannevirke. Preparations are underway for banding at Whanganui in mid-February 2023.</i></p>
<p>5. Monitor and report information on the status of the region’s mallard and grey duck, paradise shelduck, shoveler, swan and pukeko populations sufficient to assess harvest, identify and manage any population impacts, set effective regulations and inform management directions.</p>	<p><i>Report on the August 2022 national shoveler survey received 4/10/2022. January 2023 trend counts completed for paradise shelduck and black swan and a report prepared for Council’s 18/02/2023 meeting.</i></p>
<p>6. Participate in National Hunter Survey to derive a robust estimate of annual game bird harvest and hunter success.</p>	<p><i>2022 season results included in Game Gazette Notice report.</i></p>
<p>7. Recommend effective regulations that are timely, easily understood and which maximise licence holder opportunity while ensuring resource sustainability and public support. As part of this complete review and implement recommendations for Paradise shelduck hunting conditions including area boundaries</p>	<p><i>Game Gazette Notice report prepared for Council’s 10 December 2022 meeting. Council’s recommendations entered into the national document on 12/12/2023, with final check on 31/01/2023.</i></p>



<p>8. Review and develop a position on the release of upland game birds.</p> <p>9. Provide advice and support practical and effective predator control opportunities that assist game bird populations.</p> <p>10. Undertake annual trout stocking programme which concentrates on creating and maintaining valued lake fisheries.</p>	<p><i>Permits to undertake fish surveys in the region were issued to:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Horizons Regional Council (11/01/2023);</i></li> <li>• <i>4Sight Consulting on behalf of Manawa Energy (18/01/2023).</i></li> </ul> <p><i>TRC predator control seminar attended (8/09/2022) to upskill staff.</i></p> <p><i>150 Hawera hatchery rainbow trout released into Lake Rotomanu (13/09/2022) followed by 503 Ngongotaha rainbows on 19/10/2022. 100 Hawera hatchery rainbows and 1,000 rainbow fry were released into the upper Waiaua River &amp; tributaries on 15/11/2022. A hatchery &amp; trout liberation Annual Report was prepared for Council's 15 October 2022 meeting. Further releases of Hawera hatchery rainbows were made into the upper Patea River at Stratford (300) on 2/12/2022; the lower Patea River (100) on 14/12/2022; the Stony River (100 + 101) on 19/12/2022 &amp; 24/01/2022; and Lake Mangamahoe (121) on 24/01/2022.</i></p>
<p>11. Undertake trial release of 2-year-old rainbow trout into the lower Patea River to assess the potential for a long-term programme (yr 4).</p> <p>12. Undertake monitoring of angler returns from the 2017-2021 releases of tagged brown and rainbow trout into the lower Patea River.</p> <p>13. Operate Hawera hatchery in an effective, cost efficient and sustainable manner utilising volunteer support to meet the identified stocking objectives.</p>	<p><i>100 large rainbows were released on 14/12/2022.</i></p> <p><i>Began report preparation for Manawa Energy.</i></p> <p><i>Approx. 3,400 rainbow fry from the 2022 year-class transferred to the larger inside troughs (30/09/2022) – 1,000 surplus to requirements since released. 240kg feed ordered 26/10/2022. Lunch held for volunteers on 28/10/2022 at the South Taranaki Club.</i></p>
<p><b>Objective: Provide effective compliance to protect resource sustainability (including revenue base) and user experience to maintain licence holder satisfaction.</b></p>	

14. Maintain a skilled honorary ranger team of at least 12 rangers consistent with requirements and objectives of the Compliance Policy and Strategy and also R3 principles.	<i>CERT 1-day refresher held in New Plymouth on 24/09/2022 attended by 9 Taranaki Rangers and 2 staff (+1 H/B staff). Compliance Annual Report prepared for Council's 15 October 2022 meeting. Ranger warrant obtained for new trainee.</i>
15. Undertake safe and effective compliance coverage across the Taranaki Region, including at least 100 licence checks of anglers and also of hunters.	<i>Angler checks undertaken during the rain-interrupted opening of the 2022/23 angling season.</i>
16. Process detected offences in a fair and timely way consistent with national prosecution guidelines.	<i>One offence detected at Lake Rotomanu.</i>
<b>Objective: Proactively manage problem aggregations of gamebirds in the interests of both hunters and property owners and managers.</b>	
17. Manage problem aggregations of gamebirds through implementation of a special Paradise Shelduck season in Area C and proactively responding to and assisting landholders.	<i>40 permits to disturb gamebirds were issued during the reporting period. These include 16 permits for Paradise Shelduck (5 including Mallard duck), 5 for Mallard duck and 19 for Pukeko (14 urban and 5 rural). Special season permits produced &amp; advert placed in the Taranaki Daily News on 4/02/2023.</i>

#### HABITAT PROTECTION & MANAGEMENT

2022/2023 Annual Plan – Planned Result	Progress to date
<b>Objective: Protect/improve habitat for sports fish &amp; game as a fundamental and effective means to sustain the fish &amp; game resource in the interests of licence holders and with biodiversity benefits for the wider community.</b>	

1. Provide valued advice and support to licence holders, landowners and the wider community regarding the importance of and how to protect and enhance habitat and also undertake predator control/management to benefit both fish & game and wider indigenous biodiversity resources.

*There was liaison with Horizons RC staff regarding protection of a Harrison Road Fordell wetland (01/09/2022). There was liaison with an architect regarding removal of a building line restriction on a property bordering the Lake Kohata Wildlife Management Reserve and a late agenda item was prepared for Council's 15 October 2022 meeting. A TRC/NIWA aquatic weed identification seminar was attended (22/09/2022) to upskill staff.*

2. Promote, encourage and support landowners to create, enhance and protect wetlands by providing sound technical advice and assistance to make successful applications to the GBHT and Hunting & Habitat Funds including billion tree (1BT) programme.

*Four of five 2022 applications to the GBHT were successful, being allocated a total of \$12K in grants. 5-year review reports on the Ahuroa & Mangatotara wetlands at Toko were prepared for the GBHT. Two landowners prepared 1BT applications for the GBHT and a progress report on Taranaki 1BT projects was provided to the GBHT on 9/01/2023. Following a site visit it was recommended that the GBHT pay out its grant for the Howatson Twins Dam project (23/11/2022). A report on 3 applications to the Council's Hunting & Habitat scheme was prepared for Council's 10 December 2022 meeting, at which Council approved grants totalling \$10,237 for the 3 projects. A site visit was made (16/12/2022) to the Clarke Road Te Pekatu wetland to sign off a H&H fund grant of \$5,750 gst incl. The nomination of Councillor Sargeson to sit o the NZGBHT was forwarded to National Office on 11/01/2023.*

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

*There was liaison with NPDC (Maria Buzella) regarding extension of the timeframe for fish screening the Lake Mangamahoe water supply river intake (3/10/2022). A consent for NPDC's Mangorei Stream weir has been granted (14/11/2022) which requires the weir to be removed by 31/03/2024. Removal is scheduled for February 2023.*

*An options report for upgrading the STDC's Patea wastewater treatment system was received and a Teams meeting attended on 13/10/2022. A BPO (best practical option) report was received on 13/01/2023.*

*There was liaison with Fonterra Whareroa regarding extending the date for fitting fish screens to its Tawhiti Stream water intake (7/10/2022). A meeting was attended (1/11/2022) at Fonterra Kapuni to discuss a*

major upgrade to their wastewater treatment system.

Comments on the Patea HEPS final DO report were sent to Manawa Energy (11/11/2022).

A TRC request for a meeting regarding the future of the Riverlands Eltham weir was responded to (26/10/2022).

Cold Creek water supply notified F&G on several occasions that they had to increase their take as a result of high use (1 TRC abatement notice received).

There was liaison with Methanex (Gary Reilly; 17/11/2022) regarding renewal of consents to take water from the lower Waitara River.

The TRC informed F&G (9/11/2022) of impending remedial works to some lower Waiwhakaiho River flood control structures damaged by the August 2022 flood.

Field officer Jacob Morison attended a meeting with KiwiRail, TRC and Riverwise Consulting on 20/10/2022 to look at the KiwiRail Manganui and Waipuku rock ramp fish passes. The Manganui rock ramp received a fair bit of displacement from the 18/19 August 2022 flood event that resulted in a lip below the weir that may still impede fish passage and will need repair work to fix. The Waipuku rock ramp held up better however a steep gradient at the bottom end of the ramp will need repair work as the velocities are too high for fish passage. Instream remediation work on the ramps is scheduled to start in December and be finished before March 2023.

A report of soil dumping from road works on Ruatiti Road into the Manganuioteao River was passed on to Horizons RC (30/11/2023).

A report of erosion affecting a Stony River Mangatete Rd Bridge abutment was passed on to the TRC & NPDC (12/12/2022).

A TRC-organised meeting to discuss removal of the Timaru Stream weir was attended (13/12/2022), at which it was agreed to use the concrete to remedy bank erosion just downstream of the weir and bury the rest on adjacent farmland. F&G provided its non-notified approval for the weir removal on 22/12/2022 and removal will likely be undertaken early 2023.

Horizons Freshwater consultation was responded to (16/12/2022) and a post made on the Council's Facebook page encouraging licence holders to respond.

<p>4. Establish an environmental award to acknowledge and highlight outstanding contributions to the protection of sportsfish or gamebird habitat.</p> <p>5. Seek effective environmental outcomes as part of the re-consenting of the Mangorei and Motukawa hydro schemes</p>	<p><i>Consultation documents were received from STDC in relation to Waimate West water supply re-consenting (23/01/2023). Information on the re-consenting of an irrigation take from a Tokaora quarry pond was also received for comment (27/01/2023).</i></p> <p><i>The TRC Environmental Awards presentation evening was attended on 15/11/2022. Currently, there are no opportunities for F&amp;G to sponsor an award.</i></p> <p><i>F&amp;G received notification (25/01/2023) that consents for Manawa Energy's Mangorei power scheme will likely be publicly notified on 4/02/2023. A dropbox file of re-consenting reports for both schemes was received on 19/12/2023.</i></p>
<p><b>Objective: Work collaboratively and proactively with landowners, other groups and iwi recognising the synergistic benefits and wider outcomes that can be achieved by this approach.</b></p>	
<p>6. Promote and explore opportunities to improve water quality in Lake Rotomanu (yr3 of 3)</p> <p>7. Engage proactively and collaboratively with iwi &amp; community groups to identify and protect/enhance shared resource values including contributing to water related matters through the Taranaki Maunga Settlement process.</p> <p>8. Represent Fish &amp; Game and provide valued input to the Te Awa Tupua process.</p> <p>9. Explore options other parties to remove weirs in Timaru Stream at SH45 and in the Waingongoro River at Eltham.</p>	<p><i>There was liaison with TKONT regarding STDC water consents and holding joint meetings (30/01/2023).</i></p> <p><i>Te Kopuka meetings (zoom) were attended on 9/09/2022 &amp; 17/01/2023. A 1-day Wananga was attended at Te Ao Hou Marae Whanganui on 21/11/2023 to progress the Te Heke Ngahuru strategy.</i></p> <p><i>A TRC consent application to remove the Timaru Stream weir was supported (3/10/2022), a meeting attended and non-notified approval provided on 22/12/2022. Following liaison with the TRC a meeting of interested and affected parties is being</i></p>

<p>10. Provide technical and administrative support and assistance to joint Orautoha Stream Riparian Project to protect water quality in this catchment and the many values it supports.</p>	<p><i>scheduled to discuss the future of the Waingongoro Eltham weir.</i></p> <p><i>An on-site meeting was attended with Horizons RC staff (6/09/2022) to look at completed riparian fencing and to discuss proposed works in the 2022/23 year. A Jobs for Nature (Horizons RC) zoom meeting was attended on 25/10/2022,</i></p>
<p><b>Objective: Development of an effective Natural Resources Plan that protects freshwater and wetland habitats and which also minimise Council costs in consent processes and free up resources for other management responses</b></p>	
<p>11. Engage in and actively advocate for provisions which protect and/or enhance sports fish and game bird habitat in the Taranaki Natural Resources Plan development process.</p>	<p><i>There has been liaison with Regan Phipps, TRC Manager - Science and Technology regarding the Plan and a meeting Regan and the TRC's Planning Manager was attended on 29/11/2022.</i></p>

**PARTICIPATION**

2022/2023 Annual Plan – Planned Result	Progress to date
<p><b>Objective: Add value to licence holders by increasing their opportunity, success and satisfaction and so retain them in the sport.</b></p>	
<p>1. Maintain and improve the Taranaki pages on the Fish &amp; Game website so how to and where to go information is readily available, easily understood and up to date.</p> <p>2. Work with National Office to upgrade website and prepare information re an 'Introduction to duck hunting in the Taranaki Region'.</p> <p>3. Develop and refine Facebook and Instagram pages in line with any National Policy to regularly inform licence holders using these forums.</p>	<p><i>Pages updated as necessary, including details of the 2023 special paradise season (9/01/2023).</i></p> <p><i>Work on new website proceeding nationally.</i></p> <p><i>Taranaki Fish and Game Facebook page has 52 followers and 15 page likes as of January 31<sup>st</sup> 2023. 10 posts have been created or shared since September 1<sup>st</sup> 2022. Posts have collectively reached 543 people and been engaged with/opened by 228 people. Taranaki Fish and Game Instagram page has not been developed.</i></p>
<p><b>Objective: Encourage past and prospective hunters and anglers into the sport through initiatives which make it easy to have a go and/or provide support.</b></p>	
<p>4. Develop and utilise licence holder email list to keep hunters and anglers up to date.</p> <p>5. Complete Reel Life and Both Barrels supplements consistent with national R3 recommendations.</p>	<p><i>Families registering for the 2021 Lake Rotomanu family trout fishing day were emailed to let them know about the 2022 event. An email was sent to Taranaki lapsed participants (21/12/2022) to encourage them to purchase a fishing licence.</i></p> <p><i>Articles for Reel Life were sent on 19/09/2022, 12/10/2022, 18/11/2022, 19/12/2022 &amp; 23/01/2023.</i></p>

<p>6. Provide a quality 1-page regional supplement (plus features) in each edition of Fish &amp; Game Magazine.</p> <p>7. Publication of valued hunting and fishing newsletters sent to regional licence holders and hunting landowners. Hunting newsletter also distributed to all rural box holders in the region.</p> <p>8. Proactively provide timely and useful information to licence holders when requested.</p> <p>9. Replace / erect 2-3 new signs which provide anglers with helpful on-site information re access and regulations consistent with identified priorities.</p> <p>10. Continue to explore opportunities to install 3<sup>rd</sup> angling platform on Lake Mangamahoe (yr 3 of 3).</p> <p>11. Produce information signs on the Retaruke and Whanganui Rivers to inform walkers on the Te Araroa trail.</p> <p>12. Provide organised fishing opportunities consistent with R3 objectives and branding and in association with volunteer groups for kids and families.</p> <p>13. Explore options for ongoing opportunities for kids and families based on trout releases into local waters and threshold experiences (yr 3 of 3)</p> <p>14. Explore future options for Stratford fishing day and identify preferred option (yr 2 of 2)</p>	<p><i>A 1-page supplement and season prospects feature for the 2023 Game Season Special Issue was sent to the editor on 19/01/2023.</i></p> <p><i>A 12-page regional angling newsletter was prepared and sent to the printers on 9/11/2022.</i></p> <p><i>Information was provided to anglers and hunters on request. Staff attended the Inglewood Rod, Gun &amp; Recreation Club's fish season opening weekend weigh-in (2/10/2022) and their "big-4" weigh-in (24/10/2022). CCD information and collateral from the TRC was provided to Stratford kids fishing day participants.</i></p> <p><i>Signs produced and waiting to be erected at the sites.</i></p> <p><i>The 3<sup>rd</sup> annual Lake Rotomanu family trout fishing day was held on 29/10/2022 with help from the Inglewood Rod, Gun &amp; Recreation Club, Taranaki Hunting &amp; Fishing and Hynds Pipe Systems. Approx. 150 children plus their parents had a successful day</i></p> <p><i>Field Officer Jacob Morison went to Lake Rotomanu on the 13/10/22 to hand out under 12 licences for 18 kids after being contacted by Mark from the Edventure kids holiday programme. He stayed for 2 hours to help with rigging rods and to help kids cast.</i></p> <p><i>The Stratford Fishing Club is keen to hold another event on 3/12/2022 and an application to help with funding was submitted to the Taranaki Electricity Trust (7/10/2022) and subsequently approved. The Stratford event went ahead on 3/12/2022 attended by 66 children plus their families.</i></p>
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<p>15. Review, negotiate, publicise and issue access permits to publicly available hunting areas and actively seek and develop new opportunities.</p> <p>16. Identify and explore mentoring schemes to support new hunters and implement most promising option (yr 3 of 3).</p> <p>17. Develop web based introductory package for anglers highlighting access opportunities and methods to get started.</p> <p>18. Proactively take opportunities to make effective representation in statutory and other community processes to maintain or enhance hunting or angling access and opportunity.</p> <p>19. Complete review of Kaupokonui River access information and implement identified opportunities to assist angler access.</p> <p>20. Assess satisfaction and success of Taranaki Region anglers using catch rates from a voluntary diary scheme and online satisfaction survey.</p> <p>21. Locate and publicise quality trout and perch recipes that enable anglers to make good use of these species.</p> <p>22. Implement actions to influence hunter behaviour as identified in hunter behaviour strategy to maximise enjoyment and participation and also public support for gamebird hunting.</p> <p>23. Provision of ready and valued support and assistance to licence agents such that they are kept up to date, resourced and operate as effective agents.</p>	<p><i>Introductory package is well underway and will be incorporated into the new Fish &amp; Game website. Diaries sent to 30 anglers for the start of the new season.</i></p> <p><i>Engaged in Horizons RC's recreational freshwater survey (16/12/2022).</i></p>
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#### IWI & PUBLIC INTERACTION

2022/2023 Annual Plan – Planned Result	Progress to date
<p><b>Objective: Work proactively and collaboratively with iwi at all levels consistent with Treaty of Waitangi obligations and responsibilities regarding the protection and use of natural resources.</b></p>	
<p>1. Proactively engage, work and collectively share with iwi and hapu within the region on matters affecting wetland and freshwater resources or their use.</p>	<p><i>There was liaison with the Fonterra Kaitiaki group regarding resolution of fish passage issues in the Tawhiti Stream tributary of the Tangahoe River.</i></p>
<p><b>Objective: Strong relationships and involvement with DOC and local and regional councils to effectively represent the interests of hunters and anglers in formal decision-making process.</b></p>	
<p>2. Liaise with Department of Conservation and Conservation Boards and proactively engage and work with Regional and District Councils and community &amp; industry groups.</p>	<p><i>Liaised with Taranaki/Whanganui Conservation Board member Mat Vujcich, who attended Council's 15 October 2022 meeting.</i></p> <p><i>Liaised with DOC Whanganui office (Katy Newton) re: Lake Kohata (11/11/2022).</i></p>



	<p><i>Liaised with DOC Whanganui regarding eel/fish deaths in the Whanganui catchment and attended a zoom meeting (16/11/2022). Field Officer Jacob Morison assisted DOC and Wellington Fish and Game to capture Koi carp in a 0.8ha farm pond in Dannevirke and to identify if they were reproducing.</i></p>
<p><b>Objective: Engender support for hunting and fishing and the activities of Fish &amp; Game by the general public and others who recognise that these activities contribute to a better environment and healthy lifestyle and in turn who support protecting these resources and the opportunities to participate</b></p>	
<p>3. Recognise and pursue opportunities to contribute to the wider community including “Wild for Taranaki” and “Rotokare Scenic Reserve Trust”.</p> <p>4. Take opportunities to promote the value of protecting freshwater, wetland and upland game habitats and the wider benefits from this.</p> <p>5. Represent the interests of hunters and anglers and promote the validity of fishing and gamebird hunting including as a means of collecting natural organic foods and engaging in a physical healthy lifestyle.</p> <p>6. Maintain a positive and constructive profile in the media which encourages prospective participants and fosters support and understanding among the general public.</p>	<p><i>Attended a Wild for Taranaki (WfT) quarterly catchup meeting (1/09/2022) and the annual biodiversity forum (27/10/2022). Attended the TRC’s environmental awards presentation (15/11/2022). Liaised with Rotokare Scenic Reserve Trust about signage informing anglers that the eels are protected in Lake Rotokare (1/11/2022).</i></p> <p><i>Met with Forest &amp; Bird Taranaki Rep (1/09/2022). Attended a DOC fish passage seminar (8/09/2022). Met with Paul Turner, Project Lead, Taranaki Catchment Communities (9/12/2022) to discuss ways in which F&amp;G can help farmers with wetlands etc.</i></p> <p><i>Gave a talk to New Plymouth Rotary on Taranaki trout fisheries (24/11/2022).</i></p> <p><i>2022 fishing season publicity was provided to the Whanganui Chronicle (8/09/2022) Taranaki Daily News and Stratford Press (27/09/2022). A fish season advertorial was organised with the Ruapehu Bulletin (3/10/2022). A neighbourly community post was made to publicise Lake Rotomanu family trout fishing day, along with articles in the Daily News and North Taranaki Midweek (Midweek advert 20/10/2022). A fishing article and advert were sent to the Ruapehu Bulletin (10/11/2022) for their summertime bulletin. An article and advert were sent to the Stratford Press (11/11/2022) and an article to the South Taranaki Star and Daily News (18/11/2022) to publicise the Stratford kids’ trout fishing day. Information on the Stratford fishing day was provided to 2 radio stations for their community notices (24/11/2022) and further articles were provided to the Stratford Press on 28/11/2022 &amp; 4/12/2022.</i></p>

7. Implement revised media strategy and including incorporating any National Policy.	
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**COUNCIL ADMINISTRATION**

2022/2023 Annual Plan – Planned Result	Progress to date
<p><b>Objective: Sound and effective governance which facilitates a co-operative and supportive relationship between Council, staff and licence holders that enables effective management of resources in the best interests of the licence holder and the fish &amp; game resource.</b></p>	
<p>1. Not less than six meetings of Council are held and meetings are conducted consistent with provisions of the Standing Orders.</p> <p>2. Identification and implementation of options and strategies to increase the diversity of Council and iwi involvement.</p> <p>3. The 5-Year Strategy Plan is reviewed and agreed by Council by March 2023.</p> <p>4. Formulation and adoption of an Annual Operational Plan and Budget for 2023/24 consistent with the 5-Year Strategic Plan.</p> <p>5. Presentation by Council of its audited annual report for 2021/2022 not later than 31 December 2022. Report to be consistent with tier 2 Service Performance standards and requirements.</p> <p>6. Effective regional policies are developed, adopted and reviewed as required and are consistent with any National Policy requirements.</p> <p>7. Progress reporting of licence sales, work progress and financial position is timely and accurate and supports sound financial and operations management and oversight.</p> <p>8. Effective administration such that the Council is within annual budget (<math>\pm</math> 5%), operates consistent with best practice and at least 90% of its annual plan is completed.</p> <p>9. Effective staff management including performance reviews completed and new objectives agreed for staff, and regular staff meetings such that staff are aware of what is generally occurring and have ready opportunity for input into decisions and management direction.</p>	<p><i>Council meeting were held on 15 October 2022 (Hawera) and 10 December 2022 (Whanganui).</i></p> <p><i>2021/22 Annual Report prepared, audited and adopted by the Council at its 10<sup>th</sup> December 2022 AGM.</i></p> <p><i>Reported to each 2-monthly meeting.</i></p> <p><i>Field Officer's new vehicle received from Energy City Ford on 28/12/2022. F&amp;G logos attached 17/01/2023. Old vehicle listed on TradeMe on 18/01/2023.</i></p> <p><i>Staff Teams meeting held on 29/11/2022.</i></p>

**Objective: Operate consistent with National Policy and make valued contributions to the management of the resource and Fish & Game nationally in the interests of all licence holders.**

<p>10. Implement any outcomes and directions from Fish &amp; Game Ministerial Review and / or National Council reviews.</p>	<p><i>Wellington &amp; Taranaki Fish &amp; Game staff met to liaise re: regional merger (14/09/2022). The Acting Manager met via zoom with the Wellington Manager &amp; Consultant Collier Isaacs to discuss a way forward with amalgamation on 12/12/2022. The Taranaki &amp; Wellington Chairs, Vice-Chairmen and Managers also met via zoom on 17/01/2023.</i></p>
<p>11. Effective communication and liaison with NZ Fish and Game Council and other Fish &amp; Game Regions including valued input and comment on fish &amp; game issues and attendance at Fish &amp; Game Managers meetings.</p>	<p><i>Online Managers' meeting were attended on 9/09/2022, 28/10/2022, 3/11/2022, 18/11/2022, 15/12/2022 &amp; 26/01/2022. A 2-day Managers' strategy meeting was attended in Wellington (19/20 October 2022).</i></p>

**Objective: Make best use of new systems, processes and technology to maximise administrative efficiencies and minimise costs do resources are available for use elsewhere.**

<p>12. Contribute to National Office by providing valued advice, assistance and feedback on national issues and processes as requested.</p>	<p><i>Liaised with the National Office of the NZFGC regarding:</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>Consultation with mana whenua;</i></li> <li>• <i>F&amp;G vision &amp; strategic plan;</i></li> <li>• <i>F&amp;G Magazine review of costs;</i></li> <li>• <i>Designated waters;</i></li> <li>• <i>Retrieving shot game;</i></li> <li>• <i>Lapsed licence holders;</i></li> <li>• <i>NBEA;</i></li> <li>• <i>.410 lead shot;</i></li> <li>• <i>NZ Firearms Licencing fees;</i></li> <li>• <i>Non-resident licence levy.</i></li> <li>• <i>2021/22 variance report.</i></li> </ul> <p><i>Authorisation was given to contact Taranaki licence holders;</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• <i>who hold a sea-run salmon endorsement for survey purposes (13/12/2022);</i></li> <li>• <i>regarding the government's Arms Regulation Fees Review (22/12/2022);</i></li> <li>• <i>To survey male anglers for information to compare with the women anglers study (11/01/2023).</i></li> </ul>
<p>13. Refine financial administration, reporting and analysis working with NZ Fish &amp; Game Council and staff.</p>	<p><i>Passed on comments from Taranaki's Audit regarding the Performance Reporting Framework (20/12/2022).</i></p>

**Objective: Demonstrate a commitment to Health & Safety and ensuring the welfare of staff and others through effective policy, systems, resourcing and oversight.**

14. All processes and activities are undertaken consistent with Council Health & Safety Policy and Manual.

*Reported to each Council meeting.*

15. Staff are actively involved in implementing HSAW policy and ensuring a safe workplace, including by undertaking two monthly staff meetings where HSAW is a specific agenda item.

*Reported to each Council meeting.*

16. Compliance with HSAW requirements and policy including scheduled reviews and audits along with any issues identified or near misses routinely reported to each meeting of Council.

*Reported to each Council meeting.*

**Recommendation**

That the Budget Report to 31 December 2022 and Project Progress Report to 31 January 2023 be received.



## **TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL**

The Chairman  
Taranaki Fish and Game Council

### **Financial Reports to 31<sup>st</sup> December 2022**

Please find attached the following reports;

1. Profit & Loss to 31 December 2022
2. Balance Sheet to 31 December 2022
3. BNZ Statement of Accounts 31 December 2022

### **RECOMMENDATION**

That Profit & Loss and Balance Sheet to 31 December 2022, be received.

Jilli Steedman  
SECRETARY  
19 January 2023

# Profit and Loss For Council

## Taranaki Fish and Game Council

For the 4 months ended 31 December 2022

	SEP-DEC 2022	2023 OVERALL BUDGET	VARIANCE	VARIANCE %
<b>Revenue</b>				
<b>Licence Income</b>				
Fish Licence Income	94,177	107,794	(13,617) ↓	-13% ↓
Game Licence Income	-	98,452	(98,452) ↓	-100% ↓
Less Commission and Fees	(2,760)	(9,281)	6,521 ↑	70% ↑
<b>Total Licence Income</b>	<b>91,417</b>	<b>196,965</b>	<b>(105,548)</b>	<b>-54%</b>
Grants	42,793	171,172	(128,379) ↓	-75% ↓
Interest Received	-	1,477	(1,477) ↓	-100% ↓
Other Income	5,401	21,450	(16,049) ↓	-75% ↓
<b>Gross Profit</b>	<b>139,611</b>	<b>391,064</b>	<b>(251,453)</b>	<b>-64%</b>
<b>Operating Expenses</b>				
<b>SPECIES MANAGEMENT</b>				
Population Monitoring	245	10,100	(9,855) ↓	-98% ↓
Hatchery Operations	5,127	8,500	(3,373) ↓	-40% ↓
Releases	5,861	6,000	(139) ↓	-2% ↓
Control	1,768	2,500	(732) ↓	-29% ↓
<b>Total SPECIES MANAGEMENT</b>	<b>13,001</b>	<b>27,100</b>	<b>(14,099)</b>	<b>-52%</b>
<b>HABITAT PROTECTION / MANAGEMENT</b>				
Assisted Habitat	5,000	20,000	(15,000) ↓	-75% ↓
<b>Total HABITAT PROTECTION / MANAGEMENT</b>	<b>5,000</b>	<b>20,000</b>	<b>(15,000)</b>	<b>-75%</b>
<b>PARTICIPATION</b>				
Access	-	1,000	(1,000) ↓	-100% ↓
Newsletters Magazine Web pages	2,780	9,500	(6,720) ↓	-71% ↓
Training	-	2,000	(2,000) ↓	-100% ↓
Clubs	300	300	- -	- -
<b>Total PARTICIPATION</b>	<b>3,080</b>	<b>12,800</b>	<b>(9,720)</b>	<b>-76%</b>
<b>PUBLIC INTERFACE</b>				
Liaison	-	100	(100) ↓	-100% ↓
Advocacy	2,208	4,400	(2,192) ↓	-50% ↓
<b>Total PUBLIC INTERFACE</b>	<b>2,208</b>	<b>4,500</b>	<b>(2,292)</b>	<b>-51%</b>
<b>COMPLIANCE</b>				
Ranging	78	500	(422) ↓	-84% ↓

	SEP-DEC 2022	2023 OVERALL BUDGET	VARIANCE	VARIANCE %
Ranger Training	1,540	500	1,040 ↑	208% ↑
Compliance	-	2,100	(2,100) ↓	-100% ↓
<b>Total COMPLIANCE</b>	<b>1,618</b>	<b>3,100</b>	<b>(1,482)</b>	<b>-48%</b>
<b>LICENCING</b>				
Licence Agents	-	1,000	(1,000) ↓	-100% ↓
<b>Total LICENCING</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>1,000</b>	<b>(1,000)</b>	<b>-100%</b>
<b>COUNCIL</b>				
Council Meeting Expenses	2,164	9,500	(7,336) ↓	-77% ↓
<b>Total COUNCIL</b>	<b>2,164</b>	<b>9,500</b>	<b>(7,336)</b>	<b>-77%</b>
<b>PLANNING &amp; REPORTING</b>				
Management / Strategic Planning	-	1,000	(1,000) ↓	-100% ↓
Reporting Audit	405	6,340	(5,935) ↓	-94% ↓
National Liaison	26	100	(74) ↓	-74% ↓
<b>Total PLANNING &amp; REPORTING</b>	<b>431</b>	<b>7,440</b>	<b>(7,009)</b>	<b>-94%</b>
<b>OVERHEADS</b>				
Salaries	76,028	232,957	(156,929) ↓	-67% ↓
Staff Expenses	3,721	3,900	(179) ↓	-5% ↓
Office Premises	7,515	22,200	(14,685) ↓	-66% ↓
Office Equipment	1,410	500	910 ↑	182% ↑
Communications / Consumables	1,818	7,750	(5,932) ↓	-77% ↓
General	2,077	2,750	(673) ↓	-24% ↓
General Equipment	76	6,494	(6,418) ↓	-99% ↓
Vehicles	7,133	15,100	(7,967) ↓	-53% ↓
<b>Total OVERHEADS</b>	<b>99,778</b>	<b>291,651</b>	<b>(191,873)</b>	<b>-66%</b>
Depreciation	-	39,117	(39,117) ↓	-100% ↓
<b>Total Operating Expenses</b>	<b>127,279</b>	<b>416,208</b>	<b>(288,929)</b>	<b>-69%</b>
<b>New Surplus/(Deficit)</b>	<b>12,332</b>	<b>(25,144)</b>	<b>37,476</b>	<b>149%</b>



# Balance Sheet

## Taranaki Fish and Game Council As at 31 December 2022

31 DEC 2022

### Assets

#### Bank

BNZ Current Account	94,759.81
BNZ Term 3031	405,968.20
MRP	4,631.47
<b>Total Bank</b>	<b>505,359.48</b>

#### Current Assets

Accounts Receivable	24,308.28
Prepayments and Accrued Income	500.51
<b>Total Current Assets</b>	<b>24,808.79</b>

#### Fixed Assets

Accum Dep Vehicles	(53,903.52)
Accum Dep Buildings	(16,451.00)
Accum Dep Office Equipment	(25,656.02)
Accum Dep Plant & Equipment	(17,112.09)
Buildings	16,451.00
Office Equipment	31,946.63
Plant & Equipment	26,474.26
Vehicles	159,680.02
<b>Total Fixed Assets</b>	<b>121,429.28</b>

#### Total Assets

651,597.55

### Liabilities

#### Current Liabilities

Accounts Payable	71,093.55
Accruals and Prepaid Licences	(70.00)
BNZ Credit Card - Allen	577.72
BNZ Credit Card - J Morison	742.55
Employee Entitlements	31,286.52
GST	4,472.72
Income in advance	8,152.00
PAYE Clearing	5,816.48
Rounding	0.01
Sea Run Salmon Endorsement	52.18
<b>Total Current Liabilities</b>	<b>122,123.73</b>

#### Total Liabilities

122,123.73

### Net Assets

529,473.82

### Equity

Accumulated Funds	141,669.19
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31 DEC 2022

Asset Replacement Funding	14,540.00
Back Country Fisheries Reserve	8,496.67
Current Year Earnings	12,332.02
Fisheries Project	6,586.30
Hunting & Habitat Scheme	332,679.74
Manganuioteao River Riparian Project	6,806.29
Net Surplus/(Deficit)	6,363.61
<b>Total Equity</b>	<b>529,473.82</b>

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## Statement of Accounts as at 30 December 2022

### Your Accounts at a Glance

Account	Account Number	Maturity Date	Balance
Non Profit Org A/C	02-0792-0332133-000		94,759.81
MRP	02-0792-0332133-001		4,631.47

### Your Other Accounts at a Glance

Account	Account Number	Maturity Date	Balance
Term Deposit	36332133-03031	13 Feb 2023	405,968.20

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**TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL**

The Chairman  
Taranaki Fish and Game Council

**Correspondence Schedules**

Please find attached Inwards and Outwards correspondence schedules to 7 February 2023.

**RECOMMENDATION**

That Inwards and Outwards correspondence schedules to, 7 February 2023, be received.

Jilli Steedman  
SECRETARY  
7 February 2023

### Inwards Correspondence

Date	Meeting	From	Staff Councillor	Subject
8.12.22	Feb-23	NZ Police	Allen / Jacob	Consultation opens on changes to firearms fees
8.12.22	Feb-23	Gary Rushworth – horizons.MW	Allen	New Round of Freshwater Engagement – Horizons Regional Council
14.12.22	Feb-23	Haidie Burchell-Burger – TRC	Allen	Published Environmental Reports for 2022
15.12.22	Feb-23	Paddy Deegan – TRC	Allen	Timaru Weir Removal Project
16.12.22	Feb-23	Gary Rushworth – horizons.MW	Allen	New Round of Freshwater Engagement – Horizons Regional Council
19.12.22	Feb-23	Lisa Mead – Manawatu Energy	Allen	Motukawa and Mangorei Applications
21.12.22	Feb-23	Corina Jordan	Allen	Lead shot in .410
21.12.22	Feb-23	Helen Payne – mpi	Allen	Freshwater Biosecurity Partnership Monthly Teleconference – minutes
21.12.22	Feb-23	Helen Payne – mpi	Allen	Detection of Amur Carp in Aotearoa
21.12.22	Feb-23	Rosemary Miller – DOC	Allen	Tuna deaths in the Whanganui – getting ready for the next event
21.12.22	Feb-23	Michelle Dwyer – Fonterra	Allen	Fontara Tawhiti Stream abstraction
22.12.22	Feb-23	Paddy Deegan – TRC	Allen	Timaru Weir Removal Project
22.12.22	Feb-23	Corina Jordan	Allen	Update on firearms submission
9.1.23	Feb-23	Robert Sowman – GBHTB	Allen	Rawhenua, Twin Dams and Pond Gully
11.1.23	Feb-23	Tui Wright – horizons.mw	Allen	Horizons Special Licence Permit
11.1.23	Feb-23	Grace Sommerville – BTW	Allen	South Road Waingongo Reservoir
17.1.23	Feb-23	Vikki Kuyi – STDC	Allen	Patea wastewater BPO
17.1.23	Feb-23	Stan Tucker – BDMA Revolution Ltd	Allen	Taranaki fish and Game Access Mapping
18.1.23	Feb-23	Ruth Goldsmith – 4Sight Consulting	Allen	Patea electric fishing and netting
23.1.23	Feb-23	Tracey Cartwright – TRC	Allen	Published environmental monitoring reports for 2022
27.1.23	Feb-23	Grace Sommerville – BTW	Allen	Ohawe Farm Reservoir consent renewal
30.1.23	Feb-23	Allan Chesswas – Renaissance Consulting	Allen	Water conservation/efficiency management & policy evaluation
30.1.23	Feb-23	Kapuni Inductions	Allen	Balance 40 <sup>th</sup> Celebration/Open Day
31.1.23	Feb-23	Wild for Taranaki	Allen	Wild for Taranaki Community Grant Fund opens
1.2.23	Feb-23	Kahureremoa Aki	Allen	Te Kopuka submission – RM reform for review

## Outwards Correspondence

Date	Meeting	To	Staff Councillor	Subject
30.11.23	Feb-23	Nigel Jordan – horizons.mw	Allen	Inframax dumping into the Manganuioteao River Ruatiti Road 30.11.22
12.12.23	Feb-23	Jack Kos	Allen	Game Notice 2023
12.12.22	Feb-23	Corina Jordan	Allen	Non Resident Levy NZC consultation – Taranaki Resolution
14.12.22	Feb-23	Aaron & Amanda Harris	Allen	Application to H&H Fund – Mill Valley Wildlife Project
14.12.22	Feb-23	Neil Watson	Allen	Application to H&H Fund – Watson Wetland
14.12.22	Feb-23	Peter Gane	Allen	Application to H&H Fund – Waiwiri Wetland
16.12.22	Feb-23	Collier Isaacs	Allen	Catch-up – 22/23 Annual Plan, 5 year Strategic Plan and 2022 Taranaki Performance Report
19.12.22	Feb-23	Richie Cosgrove	Jacob	Taranaki Reel Life December 2022
22.12.22	Feb-23	Paddy Deegan – TRC	Allen	Timaru Weir Removal Project
9.1.23	Feb-23	Robert Sowman – GBHTB	Allen	Rawhenua, Twin Dams and Pond Gully
11.1.23	Feb-23	Grace Sommerville – BTW	Allen	South Road Waingongo Reservoir
11.1.23	Feb-23	Corina Jordan	Allen	Nominees for the new Board of GBHT
13.1.23	Feb-23	Tui Wright – horizons.mw	Allen	Horizons Special Licence Permit
18.1.23	Feb-23	Ruth Goldsmith – 4Sight Consulting	Allen	Patea River electric fishing and netting – Fishing Authority
23.1.23	Feb-23	Richie Cosgrove	Jacob	Taranaki Reel Life January 2023
3.2.23	Feb-23	Grace Sommerville BTW	Allen	Ohawe Farm Reservoir – Offer for feedback



**TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL**

The Chairman  
Taranaki Fish and Game Council

**JUNE 2023 MEETING DATE CHANGE**

We currently have a meeting scheduled for 17<sup>th</sup> June 2023 in New Plymouth.

National Council require our response to the licence fee recommendation by 12<sup>th</sup> June 2023. To meet this deadline we will have to move our June meeting date forward to 10<sup>th</sup> June 2023.

Attached is an amended meeting schedule.

Recommendation:

THAT TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL APPROVE TO CHANGE THE JUNE MEETING DATE TO 10<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2023

Jilli Steedman  
SECRETARY  
7 February 2023



## TARANAKI FISH AND GAME COUNCIL

The Chairman  
Taranaki Fish and Game Council

### COUNCIL MEETINGS

Council needs to decide when and where to hold its 2023 meetings.

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

Taranaki Fish and Game Council has scheduled 6 ordinary meetings per year, starting at 10am on a Saturday. These dates are now set to meet National Council deadlines for regulation and fee setting process. However, it is necessary that they also avoid public or school holidays, which in 2023 are;

<b>Public Holiday</b>	<b>Date</b>
<b>Wellington Anniversary</b>	23 January 2023
<b>Waitangi Day</b>	6 February 2023
<b>Taranaki Anniversary</b>	14 March 2023
<b>Good Friday</b>	15 April 2023
<b>Easter Monday</b>	18 April 2023
<b>Anzac Day</b>	25 April 2023
<b>Queen's Birthday</b>	6 June 2023
<b>Matariki</b>	14 July 2023
<b>Labour Day</b>	24 October 2023

<b>School Holidays</b>
21 December 2022 – 29 January 2023
6 - 23 April – 2023
1 – 16 July 2023
23 September – 8 October 2023
21 December 2023 – 28 January 2024

Council should discuss their preference for the location of meetings and the AGM. A recommended schedule of meeting dates is as follows, noting the requirement for the new council to meet within 10 days of the returning officer declaring the election results.

### MEETING DATES AND VENUES FOR 2023

<b>Proposed Taranaki Fish &amp; Game Council Meeting Dates</b>		<b>New Zealand Fish &amp; Game Council meeting dates (draft)</b>	
<b>Date</b>	<b>Agenda</b>	<b>Location</b>	<b>Date</b>
18 February 2023	5 year plan review	Raetihi	10 & 12 February 2023
25 March 2023	Agree draft budget	Waitara	21 & 22 April 2023
10 June 2023	Licence fee Anglers notice	New Plymouth	15 June 2023
19 August 2023	Adopt Ann Plan	Whanganui	15 & 17 August 2023
14 October 2023	End of year Reports	Opunake	24 & 25 November 2023
9 December 2023	AGM & Game Gazette recommendation	Raetihi	

**RECOMMENDATION** That the schedule of meeting dates and venues be adopted.

Jilli Steedman  
SECRETARY  
7 February 2023