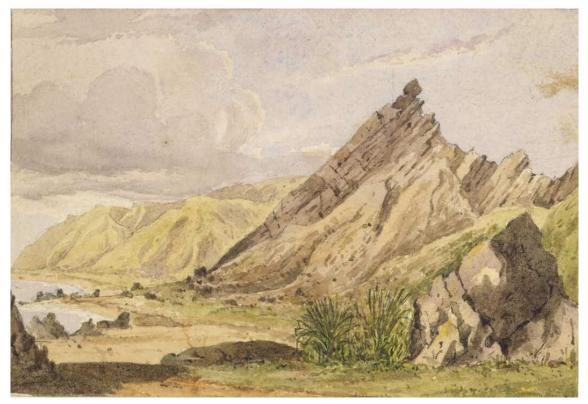


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#### 1. Introduction

The area around Kupe's Sail has been identified as a conservation priority by the Department of Conservation / Te Papa Atawhai (DOC). Wanting to prioritise conservation action in the area, staff from the DOC Whakaoriori / Masterton Office approached the Greater Wellington Regional Council (GWRC) Environmental Science Department to provide an environmental assessment of the area.

The area selected for survey encompassed the southern-most extent of the North Island. It included the coastal zone from Kupe's Sail Rock Recreation Reserve in the west up to, but not including the Stonewall Scenic Reserve in the east (Figure 1.1).

Surveys were conducted by specialists from GWRC and Wellington City Council (WCC), along with two private expert botanists, over three days in December 2020. The aim of this field work was to survey the health of conservation priority species and ecosystems, and to quantify the pressures of pest species that may be threatening them.

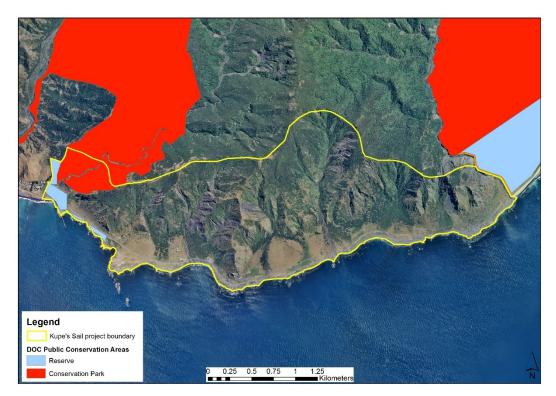


Figure 1.1: Extent of the project area, showing Kupe's Sail Recreation Reserve in the west and Stonewall Scenic Reserve in the east, bounded by the Aorangi Forest Park

#### 2. Methods

#### 2.1 Priority species

Mr Patrick Enright had previously surveyed the flora of the area which included a number of plant species of conservation concern. Mr Enright's species lists were added to during the field surveys as additional species were encountered during the survey (Appendix 1).

Of primary conservation concern was the Threatened: nationally Endangered, regionally Critical plant, shrubby tororaro (*Muehlenbeckia astonii*) (de Lange et al 2018, Crisp 2020a). The area was known to support the largest known wild population of shrubby tororaro in the lower North Island, including naturally established and planted individuals. To establish the status of the population, plants were tagged, their average length, breadth and height recorded to the nearest 100mm and their sex determined. Aluminium tags with unique codes were attached to the base of adult plants using aluminium wire. One tag, code K2016, was misplaced resulting in a break in the numerical series. Plants in Kupe's Sail Recreation Reserve were not tagged as the canopy had not closed. Given the poor condition and exposure of the plants, there was a concern that frequent movement of the tags by the wind may ring-bark the plants. Material for cultivation was collected by WCC staff from shrubby tororaro plants that were determined to have established naturally and for which the sex could be determined.

Little is known of the reptile fauna in the survey area. A detailed survey was not possible in the time available, but two staff from GWRC spent a day searching likely habitats. They worked their way along the road from Cape Palliser lighthouse west up to Kupe's Sail Recreation Reserve, recording all the lizards encountered through active searches. These records are to be submitted as Amphibian and Reptile Distribution Scheme (ARDS) cards to DOC.

A once-off survey, like the survey of the indigenous bird values of the Wellington region coastline (McArthur et al 2019), will only capture some of the birds in an area, particularly in coastal zones where a number of the species might be migrants. The website eBird.org offers a repository for ornithologists to record their sightings and is widely used by competent birdwatchers across New Zealand. The list for the Cape Palliser birding hot spot was checked against individual sightings lists from the project area. This was completed as the hotspot list was pinned to the Cape Palliser lighthouse and may not have captured species from all the habitats in the project area. The lists were extracted by searching for a species map for a commonly observed species in the area, south black-backed gull (Larus dominicanus). This resulted in the mapping of all the records in the project area with species lists that included this common species, allowing the individual lists to be compared to the combined list for the hot spot. Only records from 2015 or later were accepted to ensure that the list reflected the current species composition. Birds were sorted into indigenous coastal species, indigenous terrestrial species typical of inland areas, indigenous pelagic species that are typically migrants or vagrants in the area, and exotic species.

#### 2.2 Priority ecosystems

Priority ecosystems were assessed from recent surveys commissioned by GWRC and during the field visit. The work included assessments of rare and naturally uncommon ecosystems, the natural character of the coastal marine area and significant habitats identified for the regional Natural Resources Plan (GWRC 2019a).

Rare and naturally uncommon ecosystems are of high conservation concern (Wiser et al 2013). These were mapped during the field surveys and included: active dunelands, coastal turfs, marine mammal haultouts, and wetlands (Holdaway et al 2012).

The natural character assessment of the survey area was completed for the terrestrial, coastal reef and continental shelf around Cape Palliser (Boffa Miskell Limited and NIWA 2020). This work combines the biotic, abiotic and experiential condition to describe the overall condition of the coastal marine area and highlights conservation priorities that could be addressed to improve the natural character.

A coastal bird survey of the Wellington region has also been completed for GWRC. This identified areas of high coastal bird diversity and priority coastal bird breeding sites, including the area around Cape Palliser (McArthur et al 2019). This survey, along with other new information, has been used to review the distribution of significant bird areas around the Wellington region (McArthur in press) with a view to updating Schedule F2: "Significant Habitats for Indigenous Birds" in the regional Natural Resources Plan (GWRC 2019a).

The distribution of significant New Zealand fur seal (*Arctocephalus forsteri*) colonies has been identified in Schedule F5: "Habitats with Significant Indigenous Biodiversity Values in the Coastal Marine Area" in the regional Natural Resources Plan (GWRC 2019a). These colonies represent marine mammal haulouts (Wiser et al 2013) that are nationally Threatened: Critically Endangered ecosystems (Holdaway et al 2012). The coastal bird survey also mapped the location of New Zealand fur seal colonies around the Wellington region. However, the extent of these haulouts was not mapped in detail, so this was completed during the field survey.

Coastal turfs are nationally Threatened: Critically Endangered ecosystems (Holdaway et al 2012). Their location was mapped as part of this survey, along with the extent of wetlands that are regionally Threatened: Critically Endangered with less than three percent of their historical extent remaining in the Wellington region (StatsNZ and MfE).

#### 2.3 Pest species

Pest species were selected for survey based on the regional pest management plan (GWRC 2019b). These included the plant, boneseed (*Chrysanthemoides monilifera* subsp. *monilifera*) and animal pests: cats, hedgehogs, mustelids and rodents (mice and rats). Pest plants were surveyed as part of the work to expand the plant list for the area. Plants were GPSed, photographed and the GWRC Pest Plants Team alerted to prioritise their control.

Rodents were surveyed across five transect lines (Figure 2), each with ten peanut butter filled chew cards spaced at 50m intervals. Chew cards were folded into a "V" and placed horizontally, ~20mm off the ground, on aluminium pegs. Lines were laid from the eastern extent of the survey area, with their ends space at least 200m apart along the coast road. The cards were deployed for two fine nights and collected on the third day. Hedgehogs and mustelids were surveyed using two lines (Figure 2), each with ten tracking tunnels spaced at  $\geq$ 100m intervals and baited with an approximately 20mm x 20mm chunk of rabbit meat. One line was placed on either side of Cape Palliser lighthouse >1km apart along the coast road. Tracking cards were deployed for two fine night at the same time as the chew cards.

Five Bushnell HD Trophy Cam (Model 119877) camera traps were deployed along the length of the survey area (Figure 2.1). These were baited with a tablespoon of peanut butter on a stick and an approximately 20mm x 20mm chunk of rabbit meat to attract cats, hedgehogs, mustelids and rodents. Where camera traps were placed in the open, the bait was placed under a length of driftwood so that it wouldn't be obvious to the resident southern black-backed gulls (*Larus dominicanus*). Camera traps were programmed to operate throughout the day and night (using an infrared flash), taking photographs upon detection of movement, with a 30 second interval between photographs. Camera traps were placed 300-400mm above the ground on wooden stakes and inclined slightly to focus on the bait that was placed ~1.5m in front of the camera. Camera traps were deployed for two nights at the same time as the chew cards.

The abundance of rabbits was noted through casual observation during the field surveys.



Figure 2.1: Location of animal pest monitoring devices in the project area

#### 3. Results

#### **3.1 Priority species**

Mr Patrick Enright has recorded 386 vascular plant species in the project area. Of these 222 (58 percent) were indigenous and 164 (42 percent) were exotic. Twelve indigenous species were regionally Threatened, including: seven Critical (*Convolvulus waitaha, Crassula peduncularis, Eryngium vesiculosum, Leptinella pusilla, Muehlenbeckia astonii, Rytidosperma petrosum, Sophora molloyi*), three Endangered (*Anogramma leptophylla, Anthosachne solandri, Brachyglottis* greyi) and two Vulnerable species (*Aciphylla squarrosa, Daucus glochidiatus*) (Crisp 2020a).

Ten clumps of shrubby tororaro were surveyed (Figure 3.1), including 193 adult plants, 183 of which were tagged (Appendix 2). Three seedlings were recorded near the middle of Clump 7. Of the 133 adult plants where sex could be determined, 62 (47 percent) were female and 71 (53 percent) were male. None of the fences around the two eastern clumps (1 and 2) or the two clumps in the middle (3 and 4) of the study area were intact. Cattle dung was found within the fenced area in the east, while a dead goat was located in the middle of another fenced area.

Vegetative cuttings were prepared from 15 shrubby tororaro plants, sampled from clumps 1-4. Plants were selected from what were thought to be naturally established individuals that could be sexed. Cuttings were taken from four female and three male plants in clump 1, one female and three male plants in clump 2, two female plants in clump 3, and two male plants in clump 4. If cutting material is successfully propagated then the plan is to cultivate these plants at a site where they are isolated from other *Muehlenbeckia* species. Any seed produced will contribute to our understanding of viability, seed storage requirements and potentially contribute to future in situ recovery plans.

No material was taken from clumps 7-10, as these were planted populations of unknown provenance. Material from these clumps should not be used as part of a recovery plan until their origin can be confirmed. The plants are likely to have been grown from seed as at least 6 plants showed a likely hybridism with *Muehlenbeckia complexa*, a coastal plant that regularly grows in association with *Muehlenbeckia astonii*. No material was taken from clumps 9 and 10 as the plants were very small and in very poor health. Material from these planted clumps should not be used as part of a recovery plan until their origin can be confirmed.

Seed was not mature or suitable for collection during the field survey. A revisit to the site in March/April would be advised to collect ripened seed. This would allow germination tests to confirm seed viability and the storage requirements for long-term seed-banking to be investigated.



Figure 3.1: Location of shrubby tororaro (*Muehlenbeckia astonii*) clumps in the project area

Around five-and-a-half hours was spent searching for lizards around the Cape Palliser lighthouse and the seal haulout at the Matakitaki-a-Kupe Reserve (Figure 3.2). Twenty-three lizards were observed, including: 22 Raukawa geckos (*Woodworthia maculata*) and one unidentified skink (*Oligosoma* sp.), (Appendix 3). Raukawa geckos and Northern grass skinks (*Oliogosoma polychroma*) have previously been recorded from the site (ARDS cards). This survey has however shown that Raukawa geckos are widespread and in reasonable abundance across the site. Raukawa geckos and Northern grass skinks are both nationally and regionally Not Threatened (Hitchmough et al 2013, Crisp 2020b).

The area to the east of the Cape Palliser lighthouse was not searched for lizards, but the "rock garden" at the eastern most end, beyond the shrubby tororaro clumps 1 and 2 holds lots of promise. The habitat was in equal or better condition than the similar landscape at the Turakirae Head Scientific Reserve that is known for its lizard abundance (ARDS cards).



Figure 3.2: Location of lizard encounters in the project area

Of the 58 bird species recorded from the project area in eBird 45 species (78 percent) were indigenous and 13 species (22 percent) were exotic (Appendix 4). There were 17 indigenous coastal species (29 percent) recorded from the project area, thirteen of which were regionally Threatened, including: four regionally Critical, two regionally Endangered, and seven regionally Vulnerable, plus one species considered a Migrant to the region that was nationally Endangered (Crisp 2020c).

#### **3.2 Priority ecosystems**

Two areas of coastal turf were identified in the project area. The largest at the Matakitaki-a-Kupe Reserve was severely damaged by trampling by visitors. The other turf was on the seaward side of the road approximately half way between Kupe's Sail and Matakitaki-a-Kupe Reserve. This was fed by a seepage and is part of the marine mammal haulout, being frequented by seals at the time of the survey.

Dunelands were identified east of the Mangatoetoe Stream around the mouth of the Little Mangatoetoe Stream by Kupe's Sail, labelled "West of Cape Palliser" by Partridge (1992) and by Cod Rocks (Figure 3.3).

Seals were observed in four areas along the coast: between Kupe's Sail and Matakitaki-a-Kupe Reserve, around the Matakitaki-a-Kupe Reserve, below the Cape Palliser lighthouse and east of Cod Rocks (Figure 3.3). The three western areas were subject to regular disturbance by people.

The coastal bird survey of the Wellington region (McArthur et al 2019) identified a priority coastal bird breeding site at the Matakitaki-a-Kupe Reserve (Figure 5). This site supported a significant breeding colony of the nationally At Risk: Declining, regionally Threatened: Vulnerable red-billed gull (*Larus novaehollandiae*) on the Wairarapa coast (Robertson et al 2017, Crisp 2020c). The survey also recognised the diversity of coastal bird species in the study area. Subsequently a review of significant habitats for indigenous birds has confirmed that the study area meets the 'Diversity' and 'Rarity' thresholds for being identified as a "habitat of significance for indigenous birds" under the regional Natural Resources Plan (GWRC 2019a, McArthur in press).

Eleven wetlands were determined in the project area, ten of which were east of the Cape Palliser lighthouse. The wetland immediately north of the marine mammal haulout east of Cod Rocks had an invasion of yellow flag iris (*Iris pseudacorus*). Although not identified in the Greater Wellington Regional pest management plan (GWRC 2019b), this species has the potential to become a serious threat to the wetlands (NIWA 2020). Sheep were grazing around the wetland at the Matakitaki-a-Kupe Reserve and likely had access, along with cattle, to the other wetlands in the project area, none of which were fenced. A number of wet areas throughout the coastal plain were not mapped as natural wetlands due to the abundance of pasture species. Exclusion of grazing from these areas could result in an increase in aerial cover that that would likely increase the water retention, leading to rewetting of the areas, which would favour wetland plant recovery. Exclusion of livestock from the wetlands could align with a coastal restoration program.



Figure 3.3: Rare and naturally uncommon ecosystems of the project area

The natural character of the terrestrial area of the coast around Cape Palliser has been assessed as High, with High abiotic and experiential values, and a Moderate to High biotic value. The Cape Palliser Coastal Reefs was also assessed as having High natural character, with High abiotic, biotic and experiential values. Offshore the Cape Palliser Continental Shelf was assessed as having a High natural character, with High abiotic values, and a Very High experiential value (Boffa Miskell Limited and NIWA 2020).

The current regional Natural Resources Plan (GWRC 2019a) does not identify the Cape Palliser (Matakitakiakupe) area as having significant values for indigenous coastal birds. The subsequent analysis of recent data has shown that this area would qualify as having significant values for indigenous coastal birds on both the 'Diversity' and 'Rarity' criteria (McArthur in press).

#### 3.3 Pest species

Only one clump of four boneseed plants was encountered at the base of a services pole atop a rock below the Cape Palliser lighthouse. The location was passed on to the GWRC Pest Plant Team to address as part of their boneseed control programme. Although not listed in the Regional Pest Management Plan, box thorn (*Lycium ferocissimum*), buddleia (*Buddleja davii*), gorse (*Ulex europaeus*) and tree lupin (*Lupinus arboreus*) shrubs were widespread throughout the project area and have the potential to shade out herbaceous coastal plant communities.

No rats were recorded on the chew cards and mice chews were recorded on only one card on line 3. Cats chewed on two cards on line 2 and hedgehog chewed one card each on lines 2 and 4.

In the tracking tunnels, hedgehog were recorded in three tunnels on line 1. While a gecko (presumably a Raukawa gecko) and mouse were recorded on separate tunnels on line 2.

The camera traps recorded cats on camera 4 east of the Cape Palliser lighthouse. Hedgehog were recorded on cameras 3 and 4. Possum were recorded on cameras 1 and 5 with possibly two possum in one photograph on Camera 1 (fur close to lens and second animal in back left of photograph - Figure 3.4). Rabbits were recorded on cameras 2 and 4, but casual observations suggest that the greatest rabbit density was on the grassy plain east of the lighthouse where camera 4 was placed. In this area rabbits had burrowed under a penguin box (there was a rabbit skull in the box), rendering it unsuitable for penguins that prefer to place their egg on a flat surface.



Figure 3.4: Camera trap images clockwise from top left: cat (Camera 4), possum (Camera 1), rabbit (Camera 2 dislodged by seals), and hedgehog (Camera 3)

#### 4. Discussion

While more surveys could be completed to record the location of threatened plant taxa and the abundance of the lizard fauna, the conservation needs for species of concern are well enough understood to prioritise conservation action. Ungulate and possum control is essential to protect Threatened and At Risk plant taxa in the hills, while rabbit control is important for recovering the habitat on the coastal plains. Fences need to be repaired to control cattle and sheep movements. Cattle dung was recorded around the eastern most shrubby tororaro clumps (1 and 2) and sheep were encountered around the wetland at the Matakitaki-a-Kupe Reserve where fences have collapsed. No live goats were seen during the survey. However, a dead goat was found inside a shrubby tororaro exclosure fence, so culling should continue as required.

The pest plants of greatest regional concern (GWRC 2019b) were under control in the project area. There were however a number of other pest plant taxa, including exotic shrubs, which were affecting the composition and function of coastal plant communities. Box thorn was widespread along the coastal margin, with tree lupin throughout disturbed areas, along with buddleia and gorse. These shrubs were excluding shorter indigenous taxa that should characterise these communities. Their removal is key to the rehabilitation of the coastal plant communities. There were also a number of exotic forbs that dominated parts of the coastline, including: Agapanthus (*Agapanthus praecox* subsp. *orientalis*), *Carpobrotus* sp., *Gazania* sp., and pig's ear (*Cotyledon orbiculata* var. *orbiculata*). These garden escapees, although colourful, detract from the natural character of the coastline. Yellow flag iris, was found to be an emerging weed in the wetlands and along with arum lilies (*Zantedeschia aethiopica*) should be controlled before they spread.

Shrubby tororaro remains a priority for conservation intervention. The healthy clumps on the western side of Kupe's Sail (Clumps 5-8, Figure 3.1) and in the east of the project area (Clumps 1 and 2, Figure 3.1), indicate that *in situ* conservation can be successful in this area. The existing plants, however need continued protection and, given its threat status and the success of the in situ conservation efforts, the population should be supplemented with further plantings of material grown from locally sourced wild stock. We recommend that the survival of the existing tagged plants be monitored at least every five years, efforts be made to determine the origin of planted material, and vegetative and reproductive material continue to be collected and cultivated with a view to establishing additional populations in suitably wet areas along this coast.

Lizards and coastal birds would benefit from predator control, in particular cats, hedgehogs and possums. The cat population is most likely being supported by abundant rabbit numbers. Cat control is therefore unlikely to be effective if rabbit numbers are not reduced first. Controlling rabbits will have the added advantage of releasing native vegetation from seedling browsing, which may facilitate its recovery on the coastal plains. These efforts should focus on the

area east of the Cape Palliser lighthouse where the highest density of rabbits and highest frequency of cat detections were recorded.

Hedgehog were also encountered east of the Cape Palliser lighthouse. While there is some trapping in this area, this could be supplemented with additional traps, particularly towards the eastern end around the rock garden that supports ground nesting coastal birds around the seal haulout and is likely to support an abundance of lizards. Any additional trapping for hedgehogs will also help control any mustelids, which although not recorded in these surveys, are likely to be present in the project area.

Possum were recorded at either end of the project area, which may suggest that they were coming out of the Aorangi Forest Park. Experience from GWRC parks suggests that control operations every five years can maintain possum at low densities. This is best completed as part of a broader landscape control programme to reduce reinvasion from neighbouring areas.

The rare and naturally uncommon ecosystems that were recorded in the project area were under pressure from uncontrolled herbivory and human disturbance. Livestock, although at low density, need to be controlled through the project area through improved fencing, particularly around the wetlands. Access control is also required to manage the impact of people across the project area. Pedestrians and vehicles are damaging coastal vegetation, including the coastal turf communities and disturbing the marine mammals. These impacts were the greatest in the Matakitaki-a-Kupe Reserve. The reserve would benefit from demarcated parking to prevent vehicles driving over the coastal turf community and pedestrian control to reduce trampling and disturbance of the seals. This could take the form of rope-fenced walkways that would still allow seals to move freely around the area. The reserve is a popular visitor destination and with the coastal bird breeding colony, coastal turf community, seal haulout and wetland all in close proximity provides a great opportunity for environmental education and tourism.

Based on the environmental values of the project area, priorities for conservation action should include: continued management of the shrubby tororaro population, pest animal control (particularly rabbits), access control of people and vehicles and restoration of coastal plant communities (particularly the control of box thorn).

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## Appendices

### Appendix 1: Vascular plant species list recorded for the project area by Patrick Enright with the regional and national conservation status listed for regionally Threatened indigenous species (Crisp 2020a).

CR = Critical, EN = Endangered, VU = Vulnerable, Dec = Declining, Nat Unc = Naturally Uncommon, NT = Not Threatened, DD = Data Deficient

Species	Māori name	Pakēhā name	Regional status	National status
	Indigenous sp	ecies		
Mo	nocotyledonous tre	ees and shrubs		
Cordyline australis	tī kōuka	cabbage tree		
D	icotyledonous trees	s and shrubs		
Brachyglottis greyi			EN	Nat Unc
Brachyglottis repanda	rangiora	rangiora		
Carmichaelia australis	tainoka	native broom		
Coprosma crassifolia				
Coprosma propinqua var.				
propinqua				
Coprosma propinqua x C. robusta				
Coprosma repens	taupata	taupata		
Coprosma rhamnoides				
Coprosma rhamnoides x C. repens				
Coprosma robusta	karamu			
Coriaria arborea	tutu	tree tutu		
Coriaria sp. (unnamed aff. C.	44			
plumosa and C. pteridoides)	tutu			
Corynocarpus laevigatus	karaka	karaka		
Helichrysum lanceolatum	niniao			
Knightia excelsa	rewarewa	rewarewa		
Kunzea robusta	kānuka	kānuka		
Leptospermum scoparium agg.	mānuka	manuka		
Leucopogon fasciculatus	pātōtara			
Macropiper excelsum subsp.	kawakawa	kawakawa		
excelsum	KdWdKdWd	KdWdKdWd		
Melicytus crassifolius		thick leaved mähoe	Dec	Dec
Melicytus ramiflorus subsp. ramiflorus	māhoe	whitey wood		
Metrosideros excelsa	pohutakawa	pohutakawa		
Muehlenbeckia astonii		shrubby tororaro	CR	EN
Myoporum laetum	ngaio	ngaio		
Myrsine australis	mapou	red matipo		
Olearia paniculata	akiraho			
Olearia solandri		coastal daisy		
Ozothamnus leptophyllus	tauhinu	tauhinu		
Pennantia corymbosa	kaikōmako	kaikōmako		
Piper excelsum subsp. excelsum	kawakawa	kawakawa		
Pittosporum crassifolium	karo	karo		
Plagianthus divaricatus	mākaka	saltmarsh ribbonwood		
Sophora molloyi	kowhai	Cook Straight kowhai	CR	Nat Unc

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Sophora microphylla	kowhai	kowhai		
Urtica ferox	ongaonga	tree nettle		
Veronica stricta var. stricta	koromiko	hebe		
Dicotyled	onous lianas and rela			
Calystegia sepium subsp. roseata	pōhue	pink bindweed		
Calystegia soldanella	panahi	shore		
	panam	convolvulus		
Calystegia tuguriorum	pōwhiwhi	native bindweed		
Clematis afoliata		leafless clematis	Nat Unc	NT
Clematis forsteri	pikiarero	small white clematis		
Convolvulus waitaha		grassland bindweed	CR	NT
Muehlenbeckia australis	pohuehue			
Muehlenbeckia australis x M.				
complexa				
Muehlenbeckia complexa	pohuehue	wire vine		
Parsonsia capsularis	aka kiore	NZ jasmine	DD	DD
Scandia geniculata			Nat Unc	NT
	Ferns	•		•
Adiantum cunninghamii	huruhuru tapairu	maidenhair fern		
Anogramma leptophylla		Jersey fern	EN	VU
Asplenium appendiculatum subsp.			Natilina	NIT
appendiculatum			Nat Unc	NT
Asplenium appendiculatum subsp.				
maritimum				
Asplenium appendiculatum x A.				
flaccidum				
Asplenium flabellifolium		necklace fern		
Asplenium flaccidum	makawe	hanging spleenwort		
Asplenium hookerianum				
Asplenium oblongifolium	huruhuruwhenua	shining spleenwort		
Asplenium polyodon	petako	sickle spleenwort		
Blechnum blechnoides	·	·	Nat Unc	NT
Blechnum chambersii				
Blechnum minus (of NZ authors)	kiokio	swamp kiokio		
Blechnum novae-zelandiae	kiokio	kiokio		
Cheilanthes distans		woolly rock fern	Nat Unc	NT
Cheilanthes sieberi subsp. sieberi		rock fern	Nat Unc	NT
Cyathea medullaris	mamaku	black tree fern		
Hypolepis ambigua				
Microsorum pustulatum subsp.	kowaowaa	hound's tongue		
pustulatum	kowaowao	fern		
Ophioglossum coriaceum		adders tongue fern		
Paesia scaberula		ring fern		
Pellaea calidirupium			Nat Unc	NT
Pellaea rotundifolia	tarawera	button fern		
Polystichum neozelandicum subsp. zerophyllum	pikopiko	shield fern		
Polystichum oculatum	pikopiko	shield fern		

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Polystichum vestitum	pūnui	prickly shield fern		
Pteridium esculentum	rauaruhe	bracken		
Pteris macilenta	titipo	sweet brake		
Pteris tremula	turawera	trembling brake		
Pyrrosia eleagnifolia	ota	leather-leaf fern		
<u> </u>	Orchids			
Acianthus sinclairii				
Caladenia chlorostyla				
Caladenia variegata			Nat Unc	Nat Unc
Corybas macranthus		spider orchid		
Earina autumnalis	raupeka	Easter orchid		
Earina mucronata	peka-a-waka	bamboo orchid		
Microtis unifolia	maikaika	onion leaved orchid		
Prasophyllum colensoi		leek orchid		
Pterostylis alobula				
Pterostylis banksii	tutukiwi	greenhood		
Pterostylis foliata		greenhood	Nat Unc	Nat Unc
Pterostylis montana agg.		greennoou		
Thelymitra longifolia agg.	māikuku	sun orchid	+	
	Grasses	Sun oreina		l
Anthosachne solandri	0.03503	wheat grass	EN	NT
Austroderia fulvida	toetoe	toetoe		
Austroderia toetoe	toetoe	toetoe		
Chionochloa beddiei				
Dichelachne crinita		plume grass		
Echinopogon ovatus		hedgehog grass		
Festuca multinodis				
Lachnagrostis billardierei subsp.		sand wind grass		
billardierei				
Lachnagrostis pilosa subsp. pilosa		wind grass		
Microlaena stipoides	pātītī	meadow rice		
Poa anceps agg.		grass		
Poa cita		silver tussock		
Poa imbecilla		weak poa		
Puccinellia stricta		salt grass		
Rytidosperma biannulare				
Rytidosperma gracile				
Rytidosperma petrosum			CR	Nat Unc
Spinifex sericeus	kōwhangatara	spinifex		
Trisetum arduanum				
	Sedges	·		
Carex breviculmis				
Carex dipsacea		teasel sedge	Nat Unc	NT
Carex flagellifera	mānaia	Glen Murray tussock		
Carex geminata				
Carex pumila				
Carex secta	purei			
Carex virgata				
Cyperus ustulatus	upoko tangata	umbrella sedge		

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Eleocharis acuta		spike sedge		
Eleocharis gracilis		spike sedge		
Ficinia nodosa		club sedge		
Isolepis cernua var. cernua				
Isolepis prolifera				
Machaerina rubiginosa				
Schoenoplectus tabernaemontani	kāpūngāwhā	lake club rush		
	Rushes and allie	d plants		
Apodasmia similis	oioi	tape measure rush		
Juncus australis	wiwi	leafless rush		
Juncus caespiticius				
Juncus pallidus	wiwi	leafless rush		
Juncus planifolius				
Luzula banksiana var. banksiana		woodrush		
Luzula picta var. picta		woodrush		
Luzula subclavata		woodrush		
	maining monocotyle			I
Arthropodium cirratum	rengarenga	renga lily		
Lemna disperma		duckweed		
Libertia mooreae	mikoikoi	NZ iris		
Phormium cookianum subsp.	wharariki	coastal flax		
hookeri				
Triglochin striata		<u> </u>		
Typha orientalis	raupo	bulrush		
	Daisy-like he		<b></b>	
Centipeda aotearoana		sneezeweed	Nat Unc	Nat Unc
Centipeda cunninghamii		sneezeweed		
Cotula australis		button daisy		
Cotula coronopifolia		bachelor's buttons		
Craspedia uniflora var. grandis	puatea	woollyhead	DD	DD
Euchiton audax		cudweed		
Euchiton involucratus		cudweed		
Euchiton japonicus		cudweed		
Leptinella pusilla		button daisy	CR	Dec
Microseris scapigera				
Pseudognaphalium luteoalbum agg.		Jersey cudweed		
Raoulia australis		mat daisy		
Raoulia glabra		mat daisy		
Raoulia tenuicaulis		mat daisy		
Senecio glomeratus		, ,		
Senecio hispidulus		fireweed		
Senecio lautus				
Senecio minimus				
Senecio quadridentatus		fireweed		
	edonous herbs othe		1	I
	piripiri	bidibid		
Acaena anserinitolia		bidibid	Nat Unc	NT
Acaena anserinifolia Acaena iuvenca	piripiri			
Acaena juvenca	piripiri piripiri		Nat One	
	piripiri piripiri piripiri	bidibid bidibid		

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Apium prostratum subsp. prostratum var. filiforme	tūtae kōau	NZ celery		
Cardamine forsteri	panapana	bitter cress		
Centella uniflora				
Chaerophyllum ramosum				
Chenopodium allanii			Nat Unc	Nat Unc
Chenopodium triandrum		salt berry bush		
Colobanthus apetalus			DD	NT
Colobanthus muelleri				
Colobanthus strictus				
Crassula colligata subsp. colligata				
Crassula mataikona			Nat Unc	Nat Unc
Crassula moschata			Nat Unc	NT
Crassula peduncularis			CR	CR
Crassula sieberiana			0.1	0.1
Daucus glochidiatus	native carrot		VU	Dec
Dichondra brevifolia agg.				500
Dichondra repens agg.				
Disphyma australe subsp. australe	horokaka	NZ ice plant		
Epilobium cinereum	Horokaka			
Epilobium microphyllum	papakoura			
Epilobium nerteroides	papakoura			
Epilobium nummulariifolium				
Epilobium pubens				
Epilobium rotundifolium				
Eryngium vesiculosum			CR	Dec
Galium propinquum	māwe	bedstraw	CN	Dec
Geranium aff. microphyllum	IIIdwe	Deustraw		
Geranium brevicaule				
Geranium solanderi			DD	Dec
Haloragis erecta subsp. erecta	toatoa	shrubby haloragis		Dec
Hydrocotyle elongata		Tidioragis		
Hydrocotyle heteromeria		pennywort		
Hydrocotyle moschata var.		pennywort		
moschata		hairy pennywort		
Hydrocotyle novae-zelandiae agg.				
Lilaeopsis novae-zelandiae				
Limosella lineata		mudwort		
Linum monogynum	rauhuia	NZ true flax	1	
Lobelia anceps		shore lobelia		
Nertera depressa				
Oxalis exilis				
Oxalis rubens			Nat Unc	NT
Oxybasis glauca subsp. ambigua				
Parietaria debilis				
Pimelea prostrata	pinatoro	NZ daphne		
Plantago raoulii	pinatoro			
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Plantago spathulata subsp. spathulata			DD	NT
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Plantago triandra				
Ranunculus acaulis	wooriki			
Ranunculus amphitrichus	waoriki			

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Ranunculus glabrifolius	waoriki			
Ranunculus macropus	waoriki		DD	DD
Ranunculus reflexus	mārūrū	hairy buttercup		
Salicornia quinqueflora subsp.		glasswort		
quinqueflora		glasswort		
Samolus repens var. repens	māakoako	sea primrose		
Selliera radicans	remuremu	selliera		
Spergularia tasmanica				
Stellaria parviflora	kohuhu	native chickweed		
Wahlenbergia racemosa		coastal harebell		
Wahlenbergia rupestris		harebell		
	Exotic spec	ies		
	Dicotyledonous trees	s and shrubs		
Buddleja davidii		butterfly bush		
Chrysanthemoides monilifera subsp. monilifera		boneseed		
Cytisus scoparius		broom		
Lupinus arboreus		tree lupin		
Lycium ferocissimum		boxthorn		
Malus domestica		apple		
Myoporum aff. insulare		Australian ngaio		
Paraserianthes lophanta		brush wattle		
Phytolacca octandra		ink weed		
Podalyria sericea		satin bush		
Rosa rubiginosa		briar rose		
Ulex europaeus		gorse		
	edonous lianas and re		I	
Rubus fruticosus agg.		blackberry	[	
Senecio angulatus		Cape ivy		
	Ferns	cupenty		
Polypodium vulgare			[	
	Grasses		l	
Agrostis capillaris		browntop		
Agrostis stolonifera		creeping bent		
Aira caryophyllea subsp.				
caryophyllea		fairy grass		
Aira praecox		early hair grass		
Ammophila arenaria		marram		
Anthosachne scaber				
Anthoxanthum odoratum		sweet vernal		
Arrhenatherum elatius subsp.		tall oat grass		
elatius				
Avena barbata		slender oat grass		
Briza maxima		rattlesnake grass		
Briza minor		small rattlesnake grass		
Bromus catharticus		prairie grass		
Bromus diandrus		ripgut brome		
Bromus hordeaceus		soft brome		
Bromus lithobius		Chilean brome		
Bromus sterilis		barren brome		
Bromus willdenowii		prairie grass		
Cortaderia selloana		pampas grass		

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Critesion murinum subsp. murinum		barley grass		
Cynosurus cristatus		crested dogstail		
Cynosurus echinatus		rough dogstail		
Dactylis glomerata		cocksfoot		
Ehrharta erecta		veld grass		
		glaucous sweet		
Glyceria declinata		grass		
Holcus lanatus		Yorkshire fog		
Lagurus ovatus		hares foot grass		
Lolium arundinaceum subsp. arundinaceum		tall fescue		
Lolium perenne		perennial rye grass		
Paspalum dilatatum		paspalum		
Rytidosperma racemosum		wallaby grass		
		rat's tail		
Sporobolus africanus		dropseed		
Vulpia bromoides				
Vulpia myuros				
	Sedges			
Cyperus eragrostis		umbrella sedge		
Isolepis levynsiana		tiny flat sedge		
	Rushes and allie	d plants		
Juncus amabilis		gentle rush		
Juncus articulatus		jointed rush		
Juncus bufonius var. bufonius		toad rush		
Juncus effusus		soft rush		
Juncus tenuis subsp. tenuis		track rush		
•	aining monocotyle			I
Agapanthus praecox subsp.			1	
orientalis		agapanthus		
Iris pseudacorus		yellow flag iris		
Pauridia glabella var. glabella		yenow nag ins		
Sisyrinchium rosulatum		e eu vee lik v		
Zantedeschia aethiopicum	Delay like he	arum lily		
	Daisy-like he			
Achillea millefolium		yarrow		
Carduus nutans		nodding thistle		
Carduus pycnocephalus		slender winged		
		thistle		
Cirsium arvense		Californian		
		thistle		
Cirsium vulgare		Scotch thistle		
Dimorphotheca fruticosa		dimorphotheca		
Erigeron bilbaoana		fleabane		
Erigeron sumatrensis		fleabane		
Gamochaeta calviceps		cudweed		
Gamochaeta coarctata		cudweed		
Gazania linearis		gazania		
Gazania linearis x G. rigins				
Gazania rigins		gazania		
Helminthotheca echioides		ox tongue		
Hypochoeris radicata		cat's ear		

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Jacobaea vulgaris		ragwort		
Lactuca virosa		acrid lettuce		
Leontodon autumnalis subsp. autumnalis		autumn hawkbit		
Pilosella officinarum		hawkweed		
Senecio jacobaea		ragwort		
Senecio skirrhodon		gravel groundsel		
		variegated		
Silybum marianum		thistle		
Sonchus asper	pūhā	prickly sow thistle		
Sonchus oleraceus	pūhā	sow thistle		
Dicotyle	donous herbs othe	r than Composites		•
Acaena agnipila var. aequispina		sheeps burr		
Aeonium arboreum		tree aeonium	1	
Amaranthus retroflexus		redroot		
Anagallis arvensis subsp. arvensis		scarlet		
var. arvensis		pimpernel		
Atriplex patula		orache		
Atriplex prostrata		orache		
Cakile edulenta var. edulenta		sea rocket		
Callitriche stagnalis		starwort		
Carpobrotus chilensis		pig face		
Carpobrotus chilensis x Disphyma				
australe				
Carpobrotus edulis		pig face		
Centaurium erythraea		centaury		
Cerastium fontanum		mouse ear chickweed		
Cerastium glomeratum		mouse ear chickweed		
Chenopodium album		fathen		
Cotyledon orbiculata		pig's ear		
Crassula decumbens		Cape crassula		
Digitalis purpurea		foxglove		
Erodium cicutarium		storksbill		
Erythranthe guttata		monkey musk		
Euphorbia peplus		milkweed		
Foeniculum vulgare		fennel		
Fumaria muralis		scrambling		
		fumitory		
Galium aparine		cleavers		
Geranium dissectum		cut leaved geranium		
Geranium molle		dove foot geranium		
Geranium pusillum		cut leaved geranium		
Glaucium flavum		horned poppy		
Lepidium squamatum			-	
Linum bienne		warty cress		
		pale flax		
Lotus pedunculatus		lotus		

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Lysimachia arvensis subsp. arvensis		scarlet		
var. arvensis		pimpernel		
Lythrum hyssopifolia		hyssop		
Lytin ani nyssopijona		loosestrife		
Malva sylvestris		large flowered		
		malva		
Matthiola incana subsp. incana		hoary stock		
Medicago lupulina		black medick		
Melilotus indicus		King Island melilot		
Mentha pulegium		pennyroyal		
Mentha spicata subsp. tomentosa		spearmint		
Modiola caroliniana		creeping mallow		
Montia fontana subsp.				
chondrosperma		blinks		
, Myosotis laxa subsp. caespitosa		water forget-me-		
· · ·		not		
Nasturtium officinale		water cress		
Orobanche minor		broomrape		
Paronychia brasiliana		nailwort		
Plantago coronopus		buck's horn		
		plantain		
Plantago lanceolata		narrow leaved		
5		plantain		
Plantago major		broad leaved		
		plantain		
Polycarpon tetraphyllum		allseed		
Portulaca oleracea		purslane		
Ranunculus parviflorus		small flowered buttercup		
Panunculus ranons		buttercup		
Ranunculus repens Rumex acetosella		sheep sorrel		
Rumex brownii		hooked dock		
Rumex conglomeratus		clustered dock		
Rumex crispus		curled dock		
Rumex crispus		broad leaved		
Rumex obtusifolius		dock		
Sagina procumbens		pearlwort		
Sherardia arvensis		field madder		
Silene gallica		catchfly		
Sisymbrium officinale		hedge mustard		
· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·		velvety		
Solanum chenopodioides		nightshade		
Solanum nigrum		black nightshade		
Spergularia rubra	ľ	sea spurrey		
Stellaria media		chickweed		
	ľ	hedgehog		
Torilis nodosa		parsley		
Trifolium angustifolium		narrow leaf		
		clover		
Trifolium arvense		haresfoot trefoil		
Trifolium campestre		hop trefoil		
Trifolium dubium		suckling clover		

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Trifolium fragiforum		strawberry		
Trifolium fragiferum		clover		
Trifolium glomeratum		clustered clover		
Trifolium micranthum		lesser suckling		
Trifolium micranthum		clover		
Trifolium pratense		red clover		
Trifolium repens		white clover		
Tuifelium aubternen euro		subterranean		
Trifolium subterraneum		clover		
Verbascum creticum		Cretan mullein		
Verbascum thapsus		woolly mullein		
Vicia hirsuta		hairy vetch		
Vicia sativa		vetch		

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1	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2001	m	1.6	2.4	1.1
1	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2002	f	1.6	2.1	1.4
1	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2003	f	1.4	2.1	1.5
1	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2004	m	1.6	1.8	1.7
1	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2005	f	1.5	1.4	0.9
1	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2006	f	1.4	1.5	1.6
1	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2007	f	1.3	1.3	1.5
1	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2008	f	1.4	1.4	1
1	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2009	?	1.5	1.3	1.3
1	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2010	m	1.7	1.7	1.3
1	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2011	m	1.8	1.3	1
1	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2012	f	1.4	1.4	1.2
1	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2013	f	1.8	1.3	1.1
1	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2014	f	1	0.7	0.6
1	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2015	f	1.3	1.5	0.9
1	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2017	?	0.9	1.1	0.4
1	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2018	?	0.7	0.4	0.6
1	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2019	m	1.2	1.4	1.1
1	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2020	m	1.3	0.7	0.8
1	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2021	m	1.3	1.4	1.5
1	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2022	m	0	1.5	1.2
1	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2023	m	1.3	1.1	1
1	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2024	m	1.6	1.6	1.5
1	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2025	m	1.2	0.6	0.6
2	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2026	m	0.9	1.1	0.9
2	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2027	?	0.5	0.4	0.4
2	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2028	m	0.9	1	1
2	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2029	m	1.1	1.1	1
2	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2030	m	1.2	1.2	1.1
2	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2031	m	1	1.1	1
2	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2032	m	0.9	0.9	0.9
2	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2033	?	0.5	0.4	0.4
2	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2034	m	1.4	1.6	1.7
2	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2035	m	1.6	1.8	1.5
2	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2036	m	1.2	1.2	1.2
2	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2037	m	1.1	1.3	1.6
2	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2038	?	0.7	0.5	0.4

## Appendix 2: Muehlenbeckia astonii plants recorded in the study area

Clump	Easting	Northing	Tag	Sex	Height	Length	Width
2	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2039	?	0.8	1.1	0.7
2	1793391.763	5391396.616	k2040	f	1	1.1	1
3	1789221.969	5391374.473	k2041	f	1	1.3	0.9
3	1789221.969	5391374.473	k2042	f	1.2	1.3	1.3
3	1789221.969	5391374.473	k2043	f	0.8	0.4	0.3
4	1789250.334	5391362.29	k2044	m	0.9	0.9	0.9
4	1789250.334	5391362.29	k2045	m	1	1.3	1.1
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2046	?	0.8	1.3	1.1
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2047	f	0.9	1.1	1
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2048	m	1	1.2	0.8
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2049	?	0.9	1.1	0.8
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2050	m	0.9	1	0.9
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2051	f	0.9	1.5	1
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2052	m	1.2	1.3	1.1
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2053	f	0.9	1.1	0.8
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2054	m	1.2	1.6	1.4
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2055	f	1.1	1.3	1
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2056	m	1.1	1.4	0.9
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2057	m	1.1	1.4	1.1
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2058	f	0.9	1.5	1.5
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2059	m	0.7	1.1	1
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2060	m	0.9	1.4	1.5
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2061	?	0.6	0.7	0.9
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2062	?	0.7	0.9	1.2
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2063	f	0.9	1	0.9
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2064	?	0.6	0.7	0.6
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2065	?	0.7	0.6	0.6
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2066	?	0.7	0.9	0.6
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2067	m	0.8	1.1	0.8
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2068	f	1.2	1.9	1.5
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2069	f	1.1	1.8	1.5
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2070	f	1	1	0.9
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2071	f	1.1	1.2	1.5
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2072	?	1.1	0.8	0.7
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2073	m	0.9	1.1	1
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2074	f	0.9	1	1.2
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2075	m	0.8	1.5	0.8
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2076	?	0.8	0.5	0.4

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5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2077	m	1	1.4	1.2
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2078	m	1	1.2	0.8
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2079	m	1	1.2	1.1
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2080	?	0.4	0.5	0.3
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2081	?	1.2	1.1	1.1
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2082	?	0.6	0.4	0.6
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2083	?	0.7	0.9	0.6
5	1788922.351	5391533.357	k2084	?	0.7	0.9	0.6
6	1788935.317	5391550.906	k2085	?	0.4	0.6	0.2
6	1788935.317	5391550.906	k2086	m	1	1.1	0.8
6	1788935.317	5391550.906	k2087	?	0.3	0.2	0.3
6	1788935.317	5391550.906	k2088	f	1	1.6	1.5
6	1788935.317	5391550.906	k2089	m	1.1	1.9	1.5
6	1788935.317	5391550.906	k2090	f	1.1	2	1.8
6	1788935.317	5391550.906	k2091	m	1	1.7	1.9
6	1788935.317	5391550.906	k2092	f	0.9	1.2	1.2
6	1788935.317	5391550.906	k2093	?	0.4	0.5	0.4
6	1788935.317	5391550.906	k2094	m	1	1.2	1.4
6	1788935.317	5391550.906	k2095	?	0.8	25	0.9
6	1788935.317	5391550.906	k2096	m	0.9	1.3	0.5
6	1788935.317	5391550.906	k2097	?	1	1.2	1.1
6	1788935.317	5391550.906	k2098	f	1.1	1.4	1.2
6	1788935.317	5391550.906	k2099	f	1.1	1.3	1.4
6	1788935.317	5391550.906	k2100	f	1.1	1.1	0.6
6	1788935.317	5391550.906	k2101	m	1.3	1.4	0.8
6	1788935.317	5391550.906	k2102	?	0.5	0.2	0.2
6	1788935.317	5391550.906	k2103	?	0.8	0.6	0.3
6	1788935.317	5391550.906	k2104	f	1.1	0.8	0.6
6	1788935.317	5391550.906	k2105	?	0.5	0.4	0.3
6	1788935.317	5391550.906	k2106	?	0.7	0.4	0.6
6	1788935.317	5391550.906	k2107	f	0.7	1	0.8
6	1788935.317	5391550.906	k2108	m	0.9	0.7	0.9
6	1788935.317	5391550.906	k2109	f	1.1	1.1	0.8
7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2110	?	1	0.6	0.8
7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2111	f	0.8	1	0.9
7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2112	m	0.7	0.8	0.8
7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2113	f	1.1	1	0.9
7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2114	?	0.7	0.7	0.7

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7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2115	f	1.5	1.1	0.9
7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2116	f	1.3	1.3	1
7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2117	?	0.4	0.3	0.4
7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2118	f	1	0.6	0.9
7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2119	m	1.4	1.3	1.1
7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2120	m	1.2	0.9	1
7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2121	m	1.3	1.2	0.9
7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2122	f	2.1	1.6	1.2
7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2123	f	1.9	1.3	0.8
7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2124	f	1.4	1.6	0.8
7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2125	f	1.7	1	1
7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2126	f	1.5	1.3	1
7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2127	f	1.4	1.1	0.9
7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2128	f	1.4	1.2	1
7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2129	m	0.9	1.1	0.9
7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2130	f	0.7	1.3	0.8
7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2131	m	0.8	1.1	0.9
7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2132	f	1	1.3	1
7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2133	f	0.7	0.9	0.8
7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2134	f	1.5	0.6	1.1
7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2135	m	1.8	1.9	1.1
7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2136	m	1.7	3.1	1.1
7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2137	m	1.5	1.8	1.1
7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2138	f	1.8	1.1	1.2
7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2139	m	1.6	1.1	1.2
7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2140	f	1.4	1	1.1
7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2141	f	1.2	1.2	1.1
7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2142	m	1.4	1.5	1.1
7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2143	m	1.1	1	0.9
7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2144	?	0.6	0.7	0.8
7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2145	?	0.6	0.6	0.9
7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2146	?	0.9	0.6	0.8
7	1788960.446	5391536.025	k2147	m	1	0.8	0.6
8	1788947.825	5391515.905	k2148	m	1.9	1.4	1.1
8	1788947.825	5391515.905	k2149	?	1.1	0.7	0.6
8	1788947.825	5391515.905	k2150	m	1.2	1	0.9
8	1788947.825	5391515.905	k2151	?	1.2	0.9	0.7
8	1788947.825	5391515.905	k2152	m	1.1	1.1	0.6

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8	1788947.825	5391515.905	k2153	f	0.7	1.1	0.8
8	1788947.825	5391515.905	k2154	m	1.2	1.4	1.1
8	1788947.825	5391515.905	k2155	m	1.4	1.3	1.2
8	1788947.825	5391515.905	k2156	f	1.6	1.5	1.4
8	1788947.825	5391515.905	k2157	m	1	1.1	1.2
8	1788947.825	5391515.905	k2158	m	1	1.1	1
8	1788947.825	5391515.905	k2159	f	1.3	0.9	1.1
8	1788947.825	5391515.905	k2160	m	1.3	1.6	1.1
8	1788947.825	5391515.905	k2161	f	1.6	1.3	1
8	1788947.825	5391515.905	k2162	?	0.8	1.1	0.8
8	1788947.825	5391515.905	k2163	?	0.9	0.5	0.8
8	1788947.825	5391515.905	k2164	f	0.7	1	0.7
8	1788947.825	5391515.905	k2165	?	0.6	0.4	0.4
8	1788947.825	5391515.905	k2166	?	0.6	0.7	0.4
8	1788947.825	5391515.905	k2167	m	0.9	0.6	0.6
8	1788947.825	5391515.905	k2168	?	0.7	0.8	0.6
8	1788947.825	5391515.905	k2169	?	0.8	0.6	0.6
8	1788947.825	5391515.905	k2170	?	1.5	1.3	0.9
8	1788947.825	5391515.905	k2171	m	1	0.9	0.6
8	1788947.825	5391515.905	k2172	?	0.8	0.8	0.7
8	1788947.825	5391515.905	k2173	?	1.1	1.1	0.7
8	1788947.825	5391515.905	k2174	?	0.8	0.7	0.6
8	1788947.825	5391515.905	k2175	f	1.1	0.9	0.7
8	1788947.825	5391515.905	k2176	?	0.9	0.7	0.6
8	1788947.825	5391515.905	k2177	m	1.1	1	0.8
8	1788947.825	5391515.905	k2178	f	1	0.9	0.8
8	1788947.825	5391515.905	k2179	f	1.4	1.1	0.8
8	1788947.825	5391515.905	k2180	m	1.3	1.1	0.8
8	1788947.825	5391515.905	k2181	?	1	0.9	0.7
8	1788947.825	5391515.905	k2182	f	1	1	0.9
8	1788947.825	5391515.905	k2183	m	1	0.6	1.1
8	1788947.825	5391515.905	k2184	m	0.8	0.7	0.6
9	1788714.093	5391783.266	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd
9	1788714.093	5391783.266	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd
9	1788714.093	5391783.266	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd
10	1788675.117	5391680.515	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd
10	1788675.117	5391680.515	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd
10	1788675.117	5391680.515	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd

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10	1788675.117	5391680.515	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd
10	1788675.117	5391680.515	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd
10	1788675.117	5391680.515	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd
10	1788675.117	5391680.515	nd	nd	nd	nd	nd

Date	Time	Weather	Habitat	Easting	Northing	Number	Species	SVL	TL (Regen)	Sex / Status	Map location	Notes
23/12/2020	10:27	333	13D	1789370.963	5391224.889	1	Wm	66	74	m	G1	
23/12/2020	10:30	333	13D	1789370.963	5391224.889	4	Wm	-	-	?	G1	
23/12/2020	10:36	333	13D	1789370.963	5391224.889	1	Wm	66	51(39)	f	G1	
23/12/2020	10:40	333	13D	1789370.963	5391224.889	1	Wm	53	52	f	G1	
23/12/2020	10:49	333	13D	1789264.913	5391295.348	1	Wm	66	48(40)	m	G2	mites
23/12/2020	10:53	333	13D	1789264.913	5391295.348	1	Wm	-	-	j	G2	
23/12/2020	11:45	333	13J	1790708.742	5390760.939	1	Wm	-	-	?	А	
23/12/2020	12:01	333	13K	1790657.148	5390780.782	1	Wm	69	62(2)	m	В	Under plastic with mouse
23/12/2020	12:11	333	13D	1790655.561	5390710.932	1	Wm	61	58	f	С	
23/12/2020	12:11	333	13D	1790655.561	5390710.932	1	Wm	-	-	?	D	
23/12/2020	12:16	333	13D	1790699.217	5390672.038	1	Wm	47	48	j	D	
23/12/2020	12:19	333	13D	1790699.217	5390672.038	1	Wm	61	49	f	D	
23/12/2020	12:22	333	13D	1790699.217	5390672.038	1	Wm	54	58	f	D	
23/12/2020	12:30	333	13D	1790819.867	5390622.826	1	Wm	-	-	?	Е	
23/12/2020	12:36	333	13D	1790874.636	5390626.001	1	Wm	62	60(42)	f	F	
23/12/2020	12:42	333	13D	1790874.636	5390626.001	3	Wm	-	-	?	F	
23/12/2020	12:51	333	13D	1790874.636	5390626.001	1	US	-	-	?	F	
23/12/2020	12:51	333	13D	1790917.499	5390641.876	1	Wm	66	71(37)	f	G	mites

Appendix 3: Lizard capture summary with key to codes used below

Weather		Ma	ijor Habitat Types			Mi	cro habitats	Lizar	ds
Light	Temperature	1	Beech Forest	12 Wet	land	А	Foliage	Oa	Oligosoma aeneum
1 Fine/Sunny	1 Hot	2	Podocarp forest	13 Coast	tal	В	Trunk	Ok	Oligosoma kokowai
2 Part Cloudy	2 Warm	3	Broadleaf forest	14 Scree	e	С	Branches	Oo	Oligosoma ornatum
3 Overcast	3 Moderate	4	Exotic forest	15 Bare	rocks	D	Under stones	Ор	Oligosoma polychroma
4 Showers	4 Cool	5	Scrub	16 Beac	h	Е	Under wood	Oz	Oligosoma zelandicum
5 Rain	5 Cold	6	Sub-alpine	17 Urba	in	F	Open ground	М	Mokopirirakau "southern NI
6 Night		7	Alpine			G	Crevices		forest gecko"
7 0-1/2 Moonlit	Wind	8	Undeveloped tussock			Н	Pitfall traps	Wm	Woodworthia maculata
8 ½-1 Moonlit	1 Calm		land			I	ACOs	Np	Naultinus punctatus
	2 Light breeze	9	Developed farmland			J	Under	US	Unidentified skink
	3 Mod breeze	10	River terrace				vegetation	UG	Unidentified gecko
	4 Gusty	11	Fresh water			Κ	Under plastic	UL	Unidentified lizard
	5 Strong winds								

#### Lizard capture summary – Key to codes used

## Appendix 4: Bird species list recorded for the project area in eBird with the regional and national conservation status listed for regionally Threatened indigenous coastal species (Crisp 2020c).

CR = Critical, EN = Endangered, VU = Vulnerable, Dec = Declining, Nat Unc = Naturally
Uncommon, Rec = Recovering, Mig = Regional Migrant, NT = Not Threatened

Pakēhā name	Species	Regional status	National status
	Indigenous coastal species		
Gull, Black-billed	Chroicocephalus bulleri	CR	CR
Gull, Red-billed	Chroicocephalus novaehollandiae	VU	Dec
Gull, South Black-Backed	Larus dominicanus		
Heron, Reef	Egretta sacra	CR	EN
Heron, White-faced	Egretta novaehollandiae		
Kingfisher, Sacred	Todiramphus sanctus		
Oystercatcher, Variable	Haematopus unicolor	VU	Rec
Pipit, New Zealand	Anthus novaeseelandiae	VU	Dec
Shag, Black	Phalacrocorax carbo	CR	Nat Unc
Shag, Little Black	Phalacrocorax sulcirostris	VU	Nat Unc
Shag, Little Pied	Microcarbo melanoleucos	VU	NT
Shag, Pied	Phalacrocorax varius	VU	Rec
Shag, Spotted	Phalacrocorax punctatus	EN	NT
Stilt, Pied	Himantopus himantopus subsp. leucocephalus	VU	NT
Tern, Black-fronted	Chlidonias albostriatus	Mig	EN
Tern, Caspian	Hydroprogne caspia	CR	VU
Tern, White-fronted	Sterna striata	EN	Dec
	Indigenous inland specie		Dee
Falcon, New Zealand	Falco novaeseelandiae		
Fantail, New Zealand	Rhipidura fuliginosa		
Harrier, Australasian	Circus approximans		
Plover, Spur-winged	Vanellus miles		
Shelduck, Paradise	Tadorna variegata		
Silvereye	Zosterops lateralis		
Swallow, Welcome	Hirundo neoxena		
Tui	Prosthemadera novaeseelandiae subsp.		
101	novaeseelandiae		
Warbler, Grey	Gerygone igata		
	Indigenous pelagic species		
Albatross, Light-mantled Sooty	Phoebetria palpebrata		
Albatross, Southern/Northern Royal	Diomedea epomophora		
Albatross, Wandering	Diomedea exulans		
Diving-Petrel, Common	Pelecanoides urinatrix		
Gannet, Australasian	Morus serrator		
Mollymawk, Black- browed/Campbell	Thalassarche melanophris		
Mollymawk, Buller's	Thalassarche bulleri		
Mollymawk, Salvin's	Thalassarche salvini		
Mollymawk, Shy	Thalassarche cauta		
Petrel, Cape	Daption capense		
Petrel, Grey-faced	Pterodroma gouldi		1
Petrel, Northern Giant	Macronectes halli		
Petrel, Soft-plumaged	Pterodroma mollis		

Pakēhā name	Species	Regional status	National status	
Petrel, Westland	Procellaria westlandica			
Petrel, White-headed	Pterodroma lessonii			
Prion, Fairy	Pachyptila turtur			
Shearwater, Buller's	Ardenna bulleri			
Shearwater, Fluttering	Puffinus gavia			
Shearwater, Sooty	Ardenna grisea			
	Exotic species			
Blackbird, Eurasian	Turdus merula			
Chaffinch	Fringilla coelebs			
Dunnock	Prunella modularis			
Goldfinch, European	Carduelis carduelis			
Greenfinch, European	Chloris chloris			
Magpie, Australian	Gymnorhina tibicen			
Pigeon, Rock	Columba livia			
Quail, California	Callipepla californica			
Skylark	Alauda arvensis			
Sparrow, House	Passer domesticus			
Starling, European	Sturnus vulgaris			
Thrush, Song	Turdus philomelos			
Yellowhammer	Emberiza citrinella			