

## Water and Land Working Party Record of Actions

Meeting held remotely and in the Tutukaka Room  
36 Water Street, Whangārei  
on Tuesday 2 August 2022, commencing at 10.00am

### Tuhinga/Present:

Chairperson, Councillor Justin Blaikie  
Councillor Jack Crow  
Councillor Marty Robinson  
Councillor Joce Yeoman  
Ex-Officio Penny Smart  
TTMAC Representative Georgina Connelly  
TTMAC Representative Waimarie Kingi  
TTMAC Representative Mira Norris

### I Tae Mai/In Attendance:

#### Full Meeting

NRC Pou Tiaki Taiao - GM Environmental Services, Jonathan Gibbard  
NRC Land Management Programme Manager, Ruben Wylie  
NRC Natural Resources Science Manager, Jean-Charles Perquin  
NRC Water Quality Field Operations Manager, Ricky Eyre  
NRC Policy Specialist, Brenda Bailie  
NRC Personal Assistant Environmental Services, Erica Wade

The meeting commenced at 10.04am.

### Ngā Mahi Whakapai/Housekeeping (Item 1.0)

### Ngā Whakapahā/Apologies (Item 2.0)

Councillor Amy Macdonald  
NRC Pou Whakaritenga GM Regulatory Services, Colin Dall  
NRC Monitoring Manager, Jason Donaghy

### Record of Actions – 1 March 2022 (Item 4.1)

**Presented by:** Councillor Justin Blaikie

#### Agreed action points:

- No action required.

## **Receipt of Action Sheet (Item 4.2)**

**Presented by:** Councillor Justin Blaikie

### **Agreed action points:**

- Aerial Application of Seed using Drones for Erosion Control Mitigation (Item 4.2): Completed
- Overview of Water Resources Investigation Projects in Northland (Aupōuri and Poutō) (Item 4.3): GM Environmental Services, will follow up with GM Regulatory Services for a clearer understanding and status of this action.
- Soil Conservation Strategy (Item 4.4): Due to be completed at the end of this calendar year.
- Natural Resources Monitoring progress against KPIs YTD (Item 4.10): KPI's completed

## **Update on Lake Omapere water quality and MOU with Lake O Trust (Item 4.3)**

**Presented by:** NRC Water Quality Field Operations Manager, Ricky Eyre

- Suspected botulism event last summer, testing came back inconclusive. Councillor Craw will check with GM Biosecurity around the amount of Canterbury geese in the region.
- LOT are yet to come back with decision around the MoU. NRC are moving at their pace, and will provide support as issues arise.

### **Agreed action points:**

- No action required

## **Harbour and Estuary ecological monitoring programme and opportunities to expand (Item 4.4)**

**Presented by:** NRC Natural Resources Science Manager, Jean-Charles Perquin

- Councillor Craw to follow up with NRC Harbour Master around the reinstatement of the Maritime team which will assist in decreasing the indicative costs.
- Need to look at utilising other agencies to bring in base line data. MfE are working with KMR for funding for baseline monitoring in the KMR catchment.
- NRC are currently advertising for an Environmental Monitoring Officer – Māori Relationships to work with iwi/hapu.

### **Agreed action points:**

- No action required

### **Update on implementation of Network Review (Item 4.5)**

**Presented by:** NRC Water Quality Field Operations Manager, Ricky Eyre

**Agreed action points:**

- No action required.

### **Update of SOE sediment monitoring programme progress (Item 4.6)**

**Presented by:** NRC Natural Resources Science Manager, Jean-Charles Perquin

- Anticipating the Final report by end of this calendar year (2022)

**Agreed action points:**

- No action required

### **SWIMSAFE Trial Update (Item 4.7)**

**Presented by:** NRC Water Quality Field Operations Manager, Ricky Eyre

- The working party would prefer comms to point at the swimsafe site rather than LAWA.

**Agreed action points:**

- NRC to investigate easier access to the swimsafe site on its website. There are currently too many 'clicks' to get there which can be disconcerting to the public.

### **SHaRP and WWW programme update (Item 4.8)**

**Presented by:** NRC Land Management Programme Manager, Ruben Wylie

- WWW programme concluding December 2022.
- SHaRP is in its final year. Funding has been sought to continue.

**Agreed action points:**

- Land Management Programme Manager will distribute research around the milling of poplars to the working party.

### **Whakamutunga (Conclusion)**

The meeting concluded at 11.43am.