Biosecurity and Biodiversity Working Party Record of Actions

Meeting held in the Council Chamber 36 Water Street, Whangārei on Tuesday 2 May 2023, commencing at 1.00pm

Tuhinga/Present:

Chairperson, Councillor Geoff Crawford Councillor Jack Craw Councillor John Blackwell TTMAC Representative, Mira Norris TTMAC Representative, Nyze Manuel TTMAC Representative, Niki Conrad Councillor, Marty Robinson

I Tae Mai/In Attendance:

Tāhūhū Rangapū - Chief Executive Officer NRC – Jonathon Gibbard Pou Tiaki Pūtaiao – Don McKenzie
Pou Tiaki Taiao – Ruben Wylie
Director Readiness and Response Services MPI – John Walsh
Ocean Ecologist Ocean Spirit - Glenn Edney
Biosecurity Partnerships Manager – Kathryn Lister
Biosecurity Weeds and Freshwater Manager – Joanna Barr
Biosecurity Marine Manager - Kaeden
Biosecurity Manager - Incursions and Response – Nicky Fitzgibbon
Personal Assistant Pou Tiaki Taiao – Sandra Harris
Personal Assistant Pou Tiaki Pūtaiao – Janice Kirk
Councillor Amy MacDonald
Councillor Joe Carr
Councillor Rick Stolwerk

The meeting commenced at 1pm.

Ngā Mahi Whakapai/Housekeeping (Item 1.0)

Ngā Whakapahā/Apologies (Item 2.0)

TTMAC Representative, Michelle Elboz

Record of Actions – 21 February 2023 (Item 4.1)

Presented by: Geoff Crawford – Chairperson

Agreed action points:

Recommend Actions to be included per item as reference for Working Party Members

 Working Party members agreed that the record of actions was an accurate reflection of the meeting

Receipt of Action Sheet - 21 February 2023 (Item 4.2)

Presented by: Geoff Crawford – Chairperson

Agreed action points:

Action sheet updates were read and noted.

Caulerpa - Marine Pests (Item 4.3)

Presented by: John Walsh - MPI, Glenn Edney - Ocean Spirit

- 1. That the working party note the information contained in this report and its attachments.
- 2. That the working party support staff in their requests to Biosecurity New Zealand to stand up a project to have an eradication plan and surveillance in place for Northland.

Agreed action points:

- Develop a comprehensive surveillance and eradication plan in collaboration partnership with MPI.
- Detailed action points as next steps to be presented to Working Party in August

Secretarial Note: MPI Power Point Presentation sent to Working Party Members as per request.

Review of the Regional Pest and Marine Pathways Management Plan (Item 4.4)

Presented by: Kathryn Lister – Biosecurity Manager Partnerships, Don McKenzie Pou Tiaki Pūtaiao

- 1. That the working party note the information contained in this report.
- 2. That staff report back to a future working party meeting the results of further investigation and detail of the key gaps identified in this report.
- 3. That the working party recognise the process of review will need resourcing and that there is a current lack of capacity to make rapid progress on the current initiatives.

Agreed action points:

- Recommendation 3 be removed from agenda. Capacity has been made available after agenda confirmed
- Actions supported by Working Party members

Establishing Performance Measures for Biodiversity and Biosecurity (Item 4.5)

Presented by: Ruben Wylie – Pou Tiaki Taiao, Lisa Forester – Biodiversity Manager, Don McKenzie Pou Tiaki Pūtaiao

- 1. That the report 'Draft Biosecurity Operational Plan' by Don McKenzie, Biosecurity Group Manager, and dated 21 May 2023, be received.
- 2. That the Biosecurity and Biodiversity Working Party recommend the Draft Northland Regional Pest and Marine Pathway Operational Plan 2023–2024 be presented to council for adoption at the July meeting.

Agreed action points:

- Track changes made to the supporting document report to be sent to Working Party members for reference
- Partnership and Comms team to collaborate on Community engagement
- Key performance measure to reference quarries within the 6.4 Sustained Control Plants
- Biodiversity Annual Report to be shared with Working Party members

Whakamutunga (Conclusion)

The meeting concluded at 3.45pm.