Spatial scale for objective setting

WMUs for Te Awarua-o-Porirua



Committee decisions sought

- Endorse the proposed WMUs
- Endorse proposed freshwater objectives for each of the five new WMU
- Endorse proposed WMU names or suggest alternatives



Why simplify?

- Risks in fine level of specificity for objective setting and management recommendations
- Similarities in the values, objectives and predominant land uses
- Recommended policy package and management responses apply equally across all catchments
- Simplicity in administration, implementation and monitoring
- Some changes in objectives as a result



Proposed changes



Hongoeka to Pukerua and Pukerua



| | Western Headwaters |
|---------------------|--------------------|
| Hongoeka to Pukerua | Northern Hills |
| | Urban |
| Dukanya | Northern Hills |
| Рикегиа | Urban |

Endorse the splitting of sub catchments within the Hongoeka to Pukerua and Pukerua WMUs into the Western headwaters, Northern hills and Urban WMUs



Hukarito and Mahinawa Streams



| | Western Headwaters | | | | |
|-----------------|--------------------|--|--|--|--|
| | Urban | | | | |
| Making Change | Western Headwaters | | | | |
| Maninawa Stream | Urban | | | | |

This also includes splitting the headwaters and lower reaches of Tangare, Urukahika and Mitchell Streams

Endorse the splitting of these streams into the Western Headwaters and Urban WMUs



Duck Creek



| Upper Duck Creek | Eastern Hills |
|------------------|---------------|
| Lower Duck Creek | Urban |

Endorse the inclusion of upper Duck Creek in the Eastern Hills WMU (recommended) or Northern Hills WMU

Endorse the inclusion of lower Duck Creek in the Urban WMU (recommended) or Eastern Hills WMU



Stebbings



Stebbings Stream

Urban

Endorse the inclusion of Stebbings Valley in the Urban WMU (recommended) or Eastern Hills WMU



Small urban and urban fringe catchments



| Pauatahanui fringe streams | Urban | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|-------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Onepoto Fringe | Urban | | | | | | |
| Titahi | Urban | | | | | | |

Endorse the inclusion of small urban and urban fringe catchments in the Urban WMU



Ammonia toxicity current state and objectives

| | | Ammonia toxicity | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|----------------|------------------|-----------|------------------|-----------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Current WMU | Proposed | Cur | rent | Prop | osed | | | | | | |
| current www | WMU | Current State | Objective | Current State | Objective | | | | | | |
| Taupo Stream | Таиро | В | Α | Α | Α | | | | | | |
| Rangituhi Stream | | В | Α | | | | | | | | |
| Hukarito Stream | Western | С | Α | Δ | ۸ | | | | | | |
| Mahinawa Stream | Headwaters | В | В | A | A | | | | | | |
| Hongoeka to Pukerua | | В | Α | | | | | | | | |
| Pukerua | | В | Α | | | | | | | | |
| Hongoeka to Pukerua | | В | Α | | | | | | | | |
| Whitireia | Northorn bills | В | Α | ^ | • | | | | | | |
| Horokiri and Motukaraka | Northern hills | B-A | Α | A | A | | | | | | |
| Kakaho Stream | | В | Α | | | | | | | | |
| Ration Creek | | В | Α | | | | | | | | |
| Judgeford Stream | | В | Α | | | | | | | | |
| Pauatahanui Stream | | В | Α | | | | | | | | |
| Takapu Stream | Eastern hills | В | В | Α | Α | | | | | | |
| Upper Kenepuru | | В | Α | | | | | | | | |
| Upper Duck Creek | | В | Α | | | | | | | | |
| Pukerua | | В | Α | | | | | | | | |
| Pauatahanui fringe streams | | С | В | | | | | | | | |
| Lower Duck Creek | | В | Α | | | | | | | | |
| Belmont Stream | | С | С | | | | | | | | |
| Stebbings Stream | | В | В | | | | | | | | |
| Onepoto Fringe | Urban | С | В | A median | A median | | | | | | |
| Hukarito Stream | | С | А | and C max | and C max | | | | | | |
| Mahinawa Stream | | В | В | | | | | | | | |
| Titahi | | С | В | | | | | | | | |
| Kenepuru | | С | С | | | | | | | | |
| Porirua | | C-A | C-A | | | | | | | | |

- pH correction to the current state
- Current conditions are an A attribute state, except for peak concentrations in the urban WMU in C
- Update all objectives to maintain current

Endorse the updating of the Ammonia toxicity current state and associated objectives to maintain current state



Nitrate toxicity current state and objectives

| | | Nitrate toxicity | | | | | | | | | |
|----------------------------|-----------------|------------------|-----------|------------------|------------|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| Current W/MU | Proposed | Cur | rent | Prop | osed | | | | | | |
| | WMU | Current State | Objective | Current State | Objective | | | | | | |
| Taupo Stream | Таиро | В | Α | Α | Α | | | | | | |
| Rangituhi Stream | | В | Α | | | | | | | | |
| Hukarito Stream | Western | В | В | ۸ | ۸ | | | | | | |
| Mahinawa Stream | Headwaters | В | В | A | A | | | | | | |
| Hongoeka to Pukerua | | В | Α | | | | | | | | |
| Pukerua | | В | Α | | | | | | | | |
| Hongoeka to Pukerua | | В | Α | | | | | | | | |
| Whitireia | Nouth our hills | В | Α | • | ^ | | | | | | |
| Horokiri and Motukaraka | Northern hills | B-A | Α | A | A | | | | | | |
| Kakaho Stream | | В | Α | | | | | | | | |
| Ration Creek | | В | Α | | | | | | | | |
| Judgeford Stream | | В | Α | | | | | | | | |
| Pauatahanui Stream | | А | Α | | | | | | | | |
| Takapu Stream | Eastern hills | В | В | Α | Α | | | | | | |
| Upper Kenepuru | | В | Α | | | | | | | | |
| Upper Duck Creek | | В | Α | | | | | | | | |
| Pukerua | | В | Α | | | | | | | | |
| Pauatahanui fringe streams | | А | Α | | | | | | | | |
| Lower Duck Creek | | В | Α | | | | | | | | |
| Belmont Stream | | В | В | | | | | | | | |
| Stebbings Stream | | С | В | A for | A for | | | | | | |
| Onepoto Fringe | Urban | А | А | median & B | median & B | | | | | | |
| Hukarito Stream | | В | В | for 95% | for 95% | | | | | | |
| Mahinawa Stream | | B B | | | | | | | | | |
| Titahi | | А | А | | | | | | | | |
| Kenepuru | | В | В | | | | | | | | |
| Porirua | | В | В | | | | | | | | |

- Reviewed monitoring and modelling data
- Peak current conditions likely A attribute state, except for peak concentrations in the urban WMU in B
- Update all objectives to maintain current

Endorse the updating of the Nitrate toxicity current state and associated objectives to maintain current state.

Reconsider the attribute state objective for the Urban WMU.



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Objective timeframes

| WMU | E. coli | | | i Ammonia | | | Nitrate | | | Dissolved Zinc | | | Dissolved Copper | | | Periphyton | | | MCI | | | Native fish | | |
|-----------------------|------------------|-----------|---------------|------------------|-----------|----------------|------------------|-----------|----------------|------------------|-----------|----------------|------------------|-----------|----------------|------------------|-----------|----------------|------------------|-----------|----------------|------------------|-----------|--------------------|
| name | Current state | Objective | Time frame | Current state | Objective | Time frame* | Current state | Objective | Time frame * |
| Taupo | E | В | 2040 | А | А | М | А | А | М | B-C | А | 2040 | D-C | В | 2040 | с | В | 2040 | С | В | 2040 | С | В | 2040 |
| Western headwaters | А | A | м | А | А | м | А | А | м | А | А | м | А | А | м | А | А | м | А | А | м | с | А | 2040 |
| Northern Hills | E | В | 2040 | А | А | м | А | А | М | А | А | м | А | А | м | с | В | 2040 | C-B | А | 2040 | B-A | А | 2040 |
| Eastern Hills | E | С | 2040 | А | А | м | А | А | М | А | А | М | А | A | м | с | В | 2040 | C-B | В | 2040 | В | А | 2040 |
| Urban | E | с | 2040 | с | A/C | 2040 | В | A/B | М | D | с | 2040 | D | B/C | 2040 | C-B | В | 2040 | с | с | М | B/C | В | 2040 |

| WMU Name | | Enterococci | | | Total zinc in | sediment | | Total copper in sediment | | | Macro algae | | | Sedimentation rate | | Muddiness | _ | Muddiness | | | | |
|----------------|------------|------------------|-----------|-----------|---------------|-----------|------------|--------------------------|-----------|------------|------------------|-----------|------------|---|-----------|--|--|---|--|---|---|---|
| | | Current state | Objective | Timeframe | Current state | Objective | Timeframe* | Current state | Objective | Timeframe* | Current state | Objective | Timeframe* | Objective | Timeframe | Objective Timeframe' | | Objective | Timeframe* | | | |
| Onepoto Arm | Intertidal | D | с | 2040 | В | В | м | A | A | м | В | В | м | M The average sedimentation rate is less than 1mm per year in the Onepoto Arm (assessed as the | | Sediment mud content does not exceed 20% in the intertidal sediments and should not increase from current state | м | Spatial extent of soft mud shall not exceed 15% of the available intertidal area and no increase in soft mud area from current | м | | | |
| | Subtidal | | | | с | с | м | В | В | М | | | | rolling average over the most recent five years of data) | | | | | | | | |
| Pauatahanui | Intertidal | D | В | 2040 | A | А | м | А | А | м | В | В | м | The average sedimentation rate is less than 2mm per year in the Pauatahanui Arm (assessed as the 2040 | | The average sedimentation rate is less than 2mm per year in the Pauatahanui Arm (assessed as the | The average sedimentation rate is less than 2mm per year in the Pauatahanui Arm (assessed as the 2 | verage sedimentation rate is than 2mm per year in the ahanui Arm (assessed as the 2040 | Sediment mud content does not exceed 20% in the intertidal sediments and should not increase from current state | м | Spatial extent of soft mud shall not exceed 15% of the available intertidal area and no increase in soft mud area from current | м |
| Arm | Subtidal | | | | В | В | м | А | А | м | | | | rolling average over the most recent five years of data) | | | | | | | | |
| Coast | | В | В | 2040 | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

