Greater Heretaunga and Ahuriri Land and Water Management Collaborative Stakeholder (TANK) Group

Meeting 25:
13 December 2016
Karakia

Ko te tumanako
Kia pai tenei rā
Kia tutuki i ngā wawata
Kia tau te rangimarie
I runga i a tatou katoa
Mauriora kia tatou katoa
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<td>...GW/SW model continued</td>
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<td>Verbal update from working groups</td>
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Meeting objectives

Karamu
1. Understand the current state of surface water quality in the Karamū and impact on values
2. Confirm Karamū values and attributes
3. Agree desired attributes state options for modelling purposes
4. Consider draft Karamū management solutions

Water quantity
5. Understand what the groundwater/surface water model can do and can’t do
6. Agree further scenarios to be modelled and reported back.
Engagement etiquette

• Be an active and respectful participant / listener

• Share air time – have your say and allow others to have theirs

• One conversation at a time

• Ensure your important points are captured

• Please let us know if you need to leave the meeting early
Ground rules for observers

• RPC members are active observers by right (as per ToR)

• Pre-approval for other observers to attend should be sought from Robyn Wynne-Lewis (prior to the day of the meeting)

• TANK members are responsible for introducing observers and should remain together at break out sessions

• Observer’s speaking rights are at the discretion of the facilitator and the observer should defer to the TANK member whenever possible.
Meeting Record – TANK Group 24

- Matters arising
- Action points
## Action points

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<td>24.1</td>
<td>TANK Group members to RSVP to Desiree for the jet boat trip and the social function afterwards.</td>
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<td>24.2</td>
<td>TANK Group members to send Desiree ideas for where to stop on the jet boat trip.</td>
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<td>24.3</td>
<td>TANK Group members to let Desiree know if they can’t access email on Sunday morning and want to be contacted by phone.</td>
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<td>24.4</td>
<td>HBRC Groundwater Scientist to come back to the TANK Group with more information on the cause of increasing Phosphorous trend in the confined aquifer.</td>
<td>HBRC</td>
<td>Due 9 Feb</td>
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<td>24.5</td>
<td>HBRC to come back with more information on the costs and benefits of sediment reduction, including quantified effects on the coastal environment, instream attributes, biodiversity benefits, sediment removal for flood conveyance and on-farm productivity. (TBC)</td>
<td>HBRC</td>
<td>Various workstreams, incl Oli’s work and Part 1-2 economics assessment</td>
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<td>24.6</td>
<td>A sub-group is tasked with ironing out some of the flaws with the SedNet model, particularly the overestimation of erodible area by erosion type. (TBC)</td>
<td>EAWG</td>
<td>To be included in EAWG programme for 2017</td>
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<td>HBRC to provide a link to Plan Change 6 sediment provisions, noting the TukiTuki catchment has different issues so this should be for interest rather than a model. <a href="http://www.hbrc.govt.nz/hawkes-bay/projects/tukituki/plan-change-6/">http://www.hbrc.govt.nz/hawkes-bay/projects/tukituki/plan-change-6/</a></td>
<td>Mary-Anne</td>
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<td>24.8</td>
<td>Economics Assessment Group to consider who and how the detailed analysis of sediment management packages should be done (due March 2017) and report back to the TANK Group.</td>
<td>EAWG</td>
<td>To be considered at next EAWG</td>
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<td>24.9</td>
<td>Investigate inserting biological farming and ecological economics expertise into the Economics Assessment Working Group.</td>
<td>HBRC/EAWG</td>
<td>To be considered at next EAWG</td>
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<td>24.10</td>
<td>HBRC to come back to the TANK Group with some advice on the purported changes to the Hastings District Plan regarding land use rules for activities on land above the unconfined aquifer</td>
<td>HBRC</td>
<td>Summary Omahu/Irongate PC due 9 Feb</td>
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<td>24.11</td>
<td>DOC and HBRC to discuss the recent funding for wilding pines offline, quantify impacts and bring advice to the TANK Group.</td>
<td>DOC/HBRC</td>
<td>Links to 24.5</td>
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<td>24.12</td>
<td>HBRC to commission desktop research into the potential growth and demand for water bottling in the region.</td>
<td>HBRC</td>
<td>In progress</td>
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<td>24.13</td>
<td>Summarise the list of issues and call for any additional issues to be added, particularly as many people had left the meeting by this stage.</td>
<td>Desiree</td>
<td>Draft in Meeting Record</td>
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<td>24.14</td>
<td>HBRC to report back to TANK Group on when the Wetlands and Lakes Working Group is likely to be convened. [March 2017 following pre-circulation info pack]</td>
<td>Gavin/Rina</td>
<td>Completed</td>
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Karamū
To be covered:

• Values, attributes, attribute states, options for managing stressors (Sandy)
• Minimum flows (Thomas)
• Drainage and flood management (Gary)
# Karamu Catchment Values

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| All water - surface and groundwater (overlap with Ngaruroro values) | Ecological and Mauri values  
Life-supporting capacity  
Ki Uta Ki Tai  
Habitat and biodiversity - native fish, eels, plants and birds, stygofauna  
Potable water supply  
Stock drinking water  
Taonga species  
Connectivity | Household water supply may need treatment because of natural water quality. This especially includes surface water, as there are animals and birds in the catchment. SEV (stream ecological valuation) assessment of urban streams with TLA's has shown where ecosystem values could effectively be improved. |
| All surface water | Recreational, cultural and social values  
Swimming/Uu (immersion)  
Ki Uta Ki Tai  
Mahinga kai,  
Nohoanga  
Taonga raranga, taonga rongoa.  
Natural character/amenity  
Fishing - whitebait, eels, trout  
Refugia | Provision of access not part of this water quality management consideration  
Swimming not at flood flows or for some urban streams Needs specifying which are not for suitable for swimming, and require signage |
| Surface - main stem and tributaries - and groundwater | Abstraction, economic values  
Food and fibre production/ processing (and employment)  
Industrial and commercial use (and employment)  
Refugia | Food production needs to include aquatic foods |
| Surface waters | Drainage and flood carrying capacity | Relevant consideration is council’s asset management plan (Heretaunga Plains Flood Control Scheme) |
| Main stem Clive River | Tourism, Cycleways  
Boating - Kayaking, Rowing, Power Boat, Rafting | To be covered in more detail at separate meeting |
| Karamu/Clive Main stem (specific lower reaches) | Whitebait and patiki  
Gravel extraction?? Fish breeding grounds / kohanga | To be covered in more detail with Clive River in separate meeting. |
| Surface and groundwater | Direct discharges (including stormwater, particularly urban stormwater from Hastings and Havelock North) and non-point source discharges | More details (consent data) about direct discharges are required before making a decision about the use of surface waters for discharge of contaminants. Take into account land drainage networks and field tile/novaflow outlets, roadside drains into surface water as they are specific point source discharges |
| Waitangi Estuary | Contribution to estuary ecosystem and other values  
Birdlife | |
| Lakes and Wetlands (Lake Poukawa, PekaPeka Swamp) | Very significant for habitat for wide range of bird species | |
Meeting 25
Karamu catchment
Water Quality and Ecology

1. Values and attributes
2. Attribute states
3. Options managing stressors
Karamu stakeholder values

- Ecosystem Health
- Tangata Whenua
- Recreation, Social
- Social, Cultural
- Economic, Tourism
Value sets for water quality in the Karamu catchment
Confirming water quality values..

**ECOSYSTEM HEALTH**
- Ecological values, biodiversity, native fish, habitat

**TANGATA WHENUA**
- Mauri, Wai tapu, Te Hauora o te Wai, o te Tangata, o te Taiao, taonga, whakapapa, kaitiakitanga, wahi tapu...

**RECREATION, SOCIAL**
- Kayaking, swimming, Angling
NPS: NOF Attributes

Value set

HUMAN HEALTH (RECREATION)

Aspects to be managed

Pathogens

 Attributes

E.coli

ECOSYSTEM HEALTH

Toxicants

Trophic state

Water quality (Other factors)

Nitrate Ammonia

Algae (Periphyton)

Dissolved Oxygen

Temperature
NPS: NOF Attributes
Contact recreation/ human health: *E. coli*

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<th>Site</th>
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<th>5 year median</th>
<th>95(^{th}) percentile</th>
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*E. coli* source tracking:
10% ruminants, but mainly from plant material and birds

→ How pathogenetic?
→ Management?

Faecal source tracking:
## NOF Bands example

### Nitrate toxicity on aquatic organisms

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<th>Annual 95th percentile</th>
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<td>A</td>
<td>≤ 1.0</td>
<td>≤ 1.5</td>
<td>High conservation value system. Unlikely to be effects even on sensitive species.</td>
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<td>B</td>
<td>&gt; 1.0 and ≤ 2.4</td>
<td>&gt; 1.5 and ≤ 3.5</td>
<td>Some growth effect on up to 5% of species.</td>
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<td>C</td>
<td>&gt; 2.4 and ≤ 6.9</td>
<td>&gt; 3.5 and ≤ 9.8</td>
<td>Growth effects on up to 20% of species (mainly sensitive species such as fish). No acute effects.</td>
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<td>D</td>
<td>&gt; 6.9</td>
<td>&gt; 9.8</td>
<td>Impacts on growth of multiple species, and starts approaching acute impact level (i.e., risk of death) for sensitive species at higher concentrations (&gt;20 mg/L)</td>
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- Below acute impact (band D)
- Long-term chronic effect (growth)
- All year versus seasonal
NPS: NOF Attributes
Nitrate, ammonia toxicity on aquatic organisms

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NPS: NOF Attributes

Aspects to be managed:

Attributes:

**Value set**

**HUMAN HEALTH (RECREATION)**
- Pathogens
  - *E.coli*

**ECOSYSTEM HEALTH**
- Toxicants
- Trophic state
- Water quality (Other factors)
- Dissolved Oxygen
- Temperature
- Not applicable in aquatic plant dominated streams

**ECOSYSTEM HEALTH**
- Nitrate
- Ammonia
- Algae (Periphyton)

**HUMAN HEALTH (RECREATION)**
- Pathogens
  - *E.coli*
Macrophytes in the Karamu catchment

Trophic state (?) – ecosystem health

Algae: Tutaekuri and Ngaruroro

Aquatic plants (macrophytes): Karamu
Other Attributes

Value set

ECOSYSTEM HEALTH
(ESTUARY)

Aspects to be managed

Habitat  Trophic state

Attributes

Sediment  Nutrients

Ecosystem health

Trophic state

Water quality

MCI  Nutrients

Dissolved Oxygen

Temperature

Water clarity

Aquatic plants
### Other attribute states (SOE)

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<th>DRP</th>
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<th>Bdisk</th>
<th>Turbidity</th>
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- **A**: all data below GL
- **B**: 90th percentile above one or more GL, median below all
- **C**: 75th percentile above all GL, median above some GL
- **D**: median above all GL
- **E**: 25th percentile above all GL
- **F**: 10th percentile above all GL
- **not applicable**
- **no data**

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<td>&gt; 120</td>
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<td>good</td>
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<td>fair</td>
<td>80 - 100</td>
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<td>poor</td>
<td>&lt; 80</td>
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**Very poor ecosystem health – why?**

→ Targeted study with more water quality variables tested than SOE monitoring
MCI – Ecosystem health indicator

Karamu catchment:

- Poorest MCI values in Hawke’s Bay
- Few or no sensitive EPT taxa
- Some only ca 10 taxa in total!
macroinvertebrates, ecosystem health

Dissolved Oxygen → Flow

Temperature → Flow

Macrophytes → Temperature

Algae → Macrophytes

Contaminants → Macrophytes

Habitat → Algae

Sediment → Algae

Nutrients → Algae

Metabolism → Algae

Riparian vegetation → Metabolism
Dissolved Oxygen
Temperature
Macrophytes
Algae
Flow
Habitat
Contaminants
Sediment
Metabolism
Riparian vegetation

? 

macroinvertebrates, ecosystem health
Examples ecosystem health:

**Good health**

Te Waikaha Stream: MCI good (>100)
- Oxygen ok
- Temperature ok
- Good amount of aquatic plants, serves as habitat
- Habitat good

**Poor health**

Awanui Stream: MCI poor (< 80)
- Low oxygen
- High temperature
- Nuisance aquatic plant growth
# Proposed NOF Bands for temperature

## Eastern Dry Region

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<td><strong>A</strong></td>
<td>≤ 19</td>
<td>No thermal stress on any aquatic organisms that are present at matched reference sites.</td>
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<td><strong>B</strong></td>
<td>&gt; 19 and ≤ 21</td>
<td>Minor thermal stress on occasion (clear days in summer) on particularly sensitive organisms (insects and fish).</td>
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<td><strong>C</strong></td>
<td>&gt; 21 and ≤ 25</td>
<td>Some thermal stress on occasion, with elimination of certain sensitive insects and absence of certain sensitive fish.</td>
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<td><strong>D</strong></td>
<td>&gt; 25</td>
<td>Significant thermal stress on a range of aquatic organisms. Risk of local elimination of keystone species with loss of ecological integrity.</td>
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* CRI or 95th percentile

- Temperature thresholds still in discussion
- Statistics in discussion
Dissolved oxygen (mg/L)

DO < 4 mg/L bottom line

- Significant, persistent stress
- Local extinctions of keystone species likely
- Loss of ecological integrity
Oxygen and temperature

- Oxygen from air
- Dissolved Oxygen
- Oxygen uptake
- Sediment

Flow
Oxygen and temperature

Oxygen from air

Dissolved Oxygen

Respiration

Photo-synthesis

Plants

Oxygen uptake

Sediment

Flow

Oxygen uptake

Aquatic organisms

Oxygen uptake from air
Oxygen and temperature

- Oxygen from air
- Dissolved Oxygen
- Oxygen uptake (Aquatic organisms)
- Oxygen uptake (Sediment)
- Respiration
- Photosynthesis
- Plants

Oxygen uptake from air and temperature changes affect aquatic organisms and sediment.
Summary

Water quality issues in the Karamu catchment

Limiting factors for life supporting capacity

- High water temperature
- Poor habitat
- Oxygen uptake (Aquatic organisms)
- Low Dissolved Oxygen
- High nutrient concentrations
- Aquatic Plant Nuisance growth
- Toxicity (Sometimes elevated nitrate, ammonia)
- Photosynthesis

Aquatic Plant Nuisance growth

High nutrient concentrations

High water temperature

Poor habitat
Aesthetics, amenity, Terrestrial biodiversity

Riparian planting (shade)

Flow

Oxygen

Temperature

Habitat

Contaminants

Sediment

Metabolism

Toxicity

Ammonia, Nitrate

Nutrients

Aquatic plants

Algae

?
Management for main stressors: temperature, low dissolved oxygen, habitat

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<td>Riparian planting - shade</td>
<td>1. Moderated water temperature</td>
<td>• Restricted channel access</td>
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<td>2. Reduction nuisance macrophyte and attached periphyton growth</td>
<td>• In early years high maintenance (terrestrial weeds)</td>
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<td>➢ Increase dissolved oxygen</td>
<td>• In early years effects on sediment, channel morphology</td>
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<td>➢ Increase flow conveyance</td>
<td>• In early years high cost of planting</td>
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<td>3. Additional benefits possible: sediment and nutrient retention, better habitat</td>
<td>• Uncertainty in macrophyte – instream nutrient interaction</td>
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<td>4. Improved aesthetics (recreation, amenity)</td>
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| Herbicides      | 1. Reduction nuisance macrophyte and attached periphyton growth  
|                 |  
|                 | - Increase dissolved oxygen  
|                 | - Increase flow conveyance  
|                 |  | • Low efficacy in turbid water  
|                 |  | • Ongoing treatment necessary  
|                 |  | • Public concerns about toxicity of herbicides  
|                 |  | • Concern about deoxygenation following plant decay  
|                 |  | - Toxicity and deoxygenation not observed in studies |
| Grass carp      | 1. Reduction nuisance macrophyte and attached periphyton growth  
|                 |  
|                 | - Increase dissolved oxygen  
|                 | - Increase flow conveyance  
|                 | • Complete devegetation  
|                 | - Loss of habitat in soft sediment streams  
|                 | - Survival doubtful as sensitive to high temperature, low oxygen and polluted water  
|                 | - Needs MfE approval  
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• In early years high maintenance (terrestrial weeds)  
• In early years effects on sediment, channel morphology  
• In early years high cost of planting  
• Uncertainty in macrophyte – instream nutrient interaction |
| Herbicides                          | • Low efficacy in turbid water  
• Ongoing treatment necessary  
• Public concerns about toxicity of herbicides (not observed in studies)  
• Concern about deoxygenation following plant decay (not observed in studies) |
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Breakout session

• Do you agree with the recommendation to focus on the attributes DO/temperature?

• Discussion on management recommendations by the TAG
Minimum Flows for the Heretaunga Plains

Dr Thomas Wilding
• “Minimum flow setting needs to take into account the impacts on environmental, cultural, social and economic values using a variety of methodologies (e.g. Mātauranga Māori; economic models)”
   *Interim Agreements report (Feb 2014)*

• “Other ways to protect fish etc. than just minimum flows... Riparian planting and other measures may improve aquatic habitat in some waterways better than increasing minimum flows”
   *From Meeting 6 (May 2013) minimum flow discussions*

• “lowland tributary indicator species: inanga”
   *From Meeting 16 (June 2015)*
Background

• In-stream oxygen levels linked with flow

• Oxygen is more critical for Karamu ecology than depth and velocity, which are both important for the Ngaruroro

• TANK Group will recommend minimum flows and limits for oxygen in streams

• Those limits have consequences for **ecosystem health** and **water use** (e.g. irrigation)
Aim of investigations:

- To *INFORM* setting of **minimum flows**, in particular:
  - Magnitude of oxygen limits
  - Magnitude of minimum flows
  - Location of minimum flow sites

To *INFORM* **Stakeholder Group** recommendations
Oxygen – focus on aquatic-plant drivers (not pollution discharges)

Oxygen input from atmosphere

Oxygen consumed by sediment

Oxygen consumed by plants

Oxygen input from plants (day only)

Oxygen swings

day
dawn

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Where is oxygen a problem?

- Red - worse
- Blue - better
Red line on the map – Awanui Stream

- No oxygen every morning for 77 days (Jan-Mar 2013).

12 months of oxygen data (highs & lows)
• Remained above 40% oxygen saturation for 99.1% of the time (2013-2015)
Minimum flow study sites

- Three sites investigated compared to more than 20 existing sites
Oxygen and flow

- Flow is not the sole determinant of oxygen
- Seasonal plant growth changes the oxygen-flow response
Certainty in Model Predictions

Seasonal plant growth changes the oxygen-flow response

- Awanui Stream – comparing model predictions (black line) to observed oxygen (training circles and validation dots)
Flow requirements for oxygen at the study sites

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Oxygen Limits – narrowing down to draft scenarios

- No oxygen limits apply in this situation
- Stakeholders therefore need to choose

“It is up to communities and iwi to determine the pathway and timeframe for ensuring freshwater management units meet the national bottom lines”

2014 National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management
Option 1:
These limits do not apply, but are the obvious first choice

“...oxygen shall exceed 80%” “...except in areas of groundwater upwelling...”
Tukituki Plan Change 6 for the River Catchment

“...discharge shall not cause... oxygen in any river or lake to drop below 80% after reasonable mixing.”
RRMP 2014

National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management (2014)

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Achieving NPS limits for Raupare

A) >80%
B) 70-80%
C) 50-70%
D) <50%
Achieving NPS limits for Awanui

A) >80%
B) 70-80%
C) 50-70%
D) <50%
Option 2

- I recommend oxygen limits that are **LOWER** than the NPS National Bottom Line for native fish in low-gradient streams

- External peer reviewer disagreed with my recommendations

- This is a second option for stakeholders to choose from
Option 2: My Recommended Limits

A. 40% oxygen saturation
   • to protect adult native freshwater fish - NOT a “Good” MCI - in low-gradient streams where aquatic plants drive oxygen dynamics

B. Water velocity of 0.04 m/s
   • To prevent complete collapse of aquatic plant communities that results in enduring anoxia, for streams where flow management cannot achieve 40% saturation
Rationale for lower oxygen standards

1. **NPS Not achievable** for many streams

2. **Healthy fish** in Raupare despite dropping below bottom line

3. **Too conservative** compared to scientific literature
1. NPS Not achievable

- Oxygen potential depends on physical constraints, in addition to resource management.
- If flow alteration is a driver of oxygen, then natural flow variability must also be a driver of oxygen.
- Therefore, a single bottom line is not valid for all New Zealand streams.
2. Healthy fish despite dropping below bottom line

- More fish species in the Raupare, than the Awanui, including oxygen-sensitive trout and smelt

- Healthier inanga in the Raupare than the Awanui

- MCI score not good Raupare (MCI 70)

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3. Too conservative compared to scientific literature

- comparing a 48-hour lethal level to an overnight 5 minute minimum is very conservative

- In weedy streams, oxygen swings from high by day to low at night

- acute tolerances are less than 20% oxygen for all for adult native fish
Velocity Standard

- Velocity at 0.04 m/s
- High temperatures coincide with high oxygen
- Plants are still producing
- Protect against plant-collapse and enduring anoxia

48 hr oxygen swings (velocity 0.04 m/s)

48 hr LD50 adult native fish
Flow is not the only way to manage oxygen

“Other ways to protect fish etc. than just minimum flows”
More shade = less weed
More shade = more oxygen supply (%...a bit)

\[ y = -0.1779x + 12.223 \]
\[ R^2 = 0.1633 \]
Temperature

Awanui

too hot
Managing oxygen SUPPLY to exceed DEMAND

Benefits of shade even greater, because oxygen DEMAND also reduced
Summary

1. Low-gradient streams need more flow to achieve the same oxygen

2. Alternative to NPS oxygen limits proposed

3. Riparian shading increases oxygen supply and reduces oxygen demand
Break-out session
Minimum flow levers for low-gradient streams (example options)

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Short History

Te Karamu Report (June 2004) has succinct history of past flooding and all the other issues such as water quality and quantity.
Major Floods

1867 – Course of Ngaruroro changed- 450mm in 5 days
According to Māori no flood to compare with it in the previous 40 years.

1897 – Water covered 60% of Heretaunga Plains –530mm in 48 hours
1917 – Bigger flood than 1897 not a bad as 1867
1924 – Tutaekuri broke its banks and flooded Moteo area towards Omahu (511 mm in 10 hrs at Rissington).

1933 – Tutaekuri broke its banks in 6 places, flooding in Meeanee similar to 1897.
1938 – 1000mm of rain fell at Rissington in 3 days
1936 – Cyclone. Major flooding in Tutaekuri, rose 3.8m flooded Puketapu valley.

1980 – Stopbank breach Twyford – 157mm in 48 hours
1988 – Cyclone Bola
After 1867
After 1964
Drainage & Flood Management Values

• Karamu catchment part of the Heretaunga Plains Flood Control Scheme (HPFCS).
• Scheme development more fully described in the HPFCS Asset management Plan. (AMP’s describe the scheme and how it is to be managed).

• Rivers Levels of Service review for 1 in 500 year flood. (currently 1 in 100 year).
• Drainage for 10 year minimum standard (currently 1 in 5 year, or to drain 32mm of runoff in 24 hours)
Drainage Schemes

• After completion of HPFCS in 1970, greater demand for drainage improvements.

• Between 1973 to 1989 close co-operation between landowners and the HB Catchment board - a number of major drainage schemes were completed.

• Many smaller schemes completed on behalf of individual landowners.

• Many schemes were given government subsidies until 1987 when subsidies were discontinued.
Who benefits?

138,000 people within the scheme boundary. This is 86% of Hawke’s Bay population.
50,800 households
38,000 ratepayers (including businesses)

(2006 census)
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*Source: HAWKE'S BAY REGIONAL COUNCIL*
Values

Council adopted a multi-value approach for the rural and urban waterways under its ownership.

Flood control and drainage have primacy, and ecology, cultural, landscape, amenity and recreation values are considered equally.
Karamu drainage

Karamu: 164 km drains (and associated culverts, weirs etc)
Twyford: 46 km (Total 210 km)
Plus 5 Havelock Streams (HDC management)

Five key issues:
• Land Ownership
• Maintenance access
• Erosion and slumping
• Excessive weed growth
• Drainage issues (grade, water and sediment quality)
**Land Ownership:** Waterways are largely on private land, require goodwill and co-operation for the scheme to be successful. There are some powers under the Land Drainage Act 1908 to require works to be carried out.

**Maintenance Access:** essential to enable maintenance (mowing, spraying, excavation). Activities within 6m of the bed (top of bank generally) of a river or artificial watercourse require a resource consent (Discretionary Activity).

**Weed:** a significant issue resulting from high levels of nutrients, high water temperatures, low base flows, low DO, lack of shading.
Karamu: Physical obstructions
Riparian Management Options and Limitations

Drain conveyance needs to be maintained (or increased for new LOS)

Realign, natural meander, flatten channel banks (rough rule, allow double the existing conveyance if plants replace mown grass.)
Shading provided by bank planting with sedges, aquatic plants, bolboschoenus

Mid bank area left open for flood conveyance
No shading v’s partial shading. Some loss of conveyance, but is this a bad thing?
Left: Open drain, typical HP drain, no shade, macrophytes present in bed
Right: Same drain, same location, well shaded, practically no macrophytes in bed
How do we manage these streams for shade?
Issues: bank erosion, barely 6m access, little room to widen and improve conveyance, no shade, landowner may not want shade trees. Time for a radical re-think of the function of our drainage network
Karamu Stream Enhancement Project

- Initiated in 2007, this project involves increasing biodiversity through revegetation with predominantly native plant species,
- Engagement with hapu to restore and strengthen cultural values,
- Seek means to improve aquatic ecology by targeting water quality and recognising the wider community issues associated with rural and urban stormwater discharges.
- The project extent covers 30km of the Karamu Stream from Pakipaki to Clive. The enhancement work is based on research done in the ‘Te Karamu’ Report (HBRC 2004).
Heretaunga Modelling to Support TANK Decision Making

Dr Jeff Smith
Introduction

1. Purpose of modelling presentations:
   a. To introduce the models
   b. Describe capability
   c. Discuss limitations
   d. Demonstrate some applications
   e. Stimulate discussion of scenarios for modelling – to inform decision making
Introduction

1. Overview of modelling
2. MODFLOW GW flow modelling
   a. Model description and capability
   b. Applications for demonstration
3. Application of GW and SW models
   a. Implications for MALF7d and minimum flows
   b. Ngaruroro @ Fernhill, including Groundwater Recharge Scheme
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Heretaunga Aquifer Groundwater Model

Presentation for TANK group 2016-12-13
By Pawel Rakowski
Presentation outline

- Heretaunga Plains conceptual model
- Groundwater model setup
- Model calibration
- Preliminary model results
- Modelling capability
- Modelling uncertainty
Heretaunga Plains conceptual model

- Deep sedimentary basin
- Unconfined recharge zone
- Confined, artesian head at the coast
- River recharge
- Spring fed streams
- Estimated pumping 75 mln m$^3$/yr
- Significant irrigation demand
Groundwater abstraction
Groundwater Abstraction

Abstraction data:
- Comprehensive review of water use data since 1980
- Historic irrigation not available
- Reliance on water demand modelling for irrigation
- Best data set available to date

Groundwater abstraction: 0.0 m³/year
### Abstraction vs Allocation

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Model setup

High resolution grid 100x100m
2 layers
MODFLOW
Simulation time: 1980 – 2015, monthly timestep
Model calibration

- Multiple model runs to test how changing individual parameter values affects fit to observation data
- Hundreds of model parameters
- Thousands of observations (Groundwater levels, river gain/loss)
- High computation demand, use of supercomputer
- Used 50000 hours = 6 years of computing on one PC
Calibration outcome
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Calibration outcome

well 15005  slope sim = -0.072  slope obs = -0.095
Model preliminary scenarios
Aquifer drawdown

Drawdown produced by current (actual) abstractions

Drawdown if maximum allocation was taken
Model preliminary scenarios
Stream flow depletion per stream

Catchment: Karamu

QL_s

Date2

1980 1990 2000 2010

sim B Z
Model preliminary scenarios
Stream flow depletion per stream
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Catchment: Ngaruroro_loss

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water budget change

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Model preliminary scenarios
long term aquifer response to current 2005-2015 pumping continued for 100 years

Net river leakage mln m³/yr
## Model capability

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- Climate uncertainty
- Vertical resolution of the model
- Limited local scale detail
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4. Model application – MALF7d Ngaruroro @ Fernhill

February trend detection (1994-2014)
4. Artificial Recharge (AR) Scheme
4. Recharge Scheme

Trials commenced 1982
  Max take 8500 L/s, Min flow 2800 L/s

Scheme commissioned 1988
  Take 3000 L/s when flow > 3500 L/s
  850 L/s @ flow 2800 L/s

1995 – consent renewal
  Collection channel used because of siltation
  600 L/s for recharge, min flow 2800 L/s
  Actual take ~400 L/s

1997 – min flow increased to 5000 L/s
2008 – scheme ceased
4. Recharge Scheme

Well 10371 GW levels

- Scheme trials
- Scheme commissioned
- Collection trench and Consent change
- Scheme Abandoned
4. Model calibration – with AR data
4. AR Scheme abstraction data
4. Implications for MALF

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**PROVISIONAL:**
- 1998-2015 MALF(7d) = 4180 L/s
- 90% habitat for torrentfish = 3,860 L/s
4. Summary

1. Recharge scheme operated 1980s to 2008
3. Prior to 1998 = guesswork
4. Flow statistics have been revisited
5. Provisional estimates:
   i. MALF(7d) = 4,180 L/s
   ii. Flow at 90% of WUA at MALF(7d) = 3,860 L/s
6. Other implications for TANK plan change including:
   i. Reliability of supply
   ii. Economic assessment
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Integrated GW-SW model

- HBRC Data
- NeSI Supercomputer
- Irrigation Demand and Recharge model

- MODFLOW GW flow

- HBRC Data
- OVERSEER
- Climate Data

- SOURCE SW flow and nutrients
- MT3DMS GW nutrients

- HBRC Data
- OVERSEER
- MODFLOW
GW – SW Model

A tool for now and the future –

- Regional plan reviews
- Water and land management
- Publically available
- Already interest from University of Waikato and Research Institutes to use the model

There are limitations

- No model can answer all questions
- Models can be developed as needed, but takes time
- Complex scenarios may not be possible for TANK timeframes?
- Beneficial to identify (early) a small number of essential scenarios for modelling
The TANK Catchment SOURCE Model

Presentation to Land and Water Management Collaborative Stakeholder Group

13 December 2016
TANK Catchment

Legend
- River
- State Highway
- Coastline
- Gauge Locations
The SOURCE Model

A hydrological and water quality modelling platform
Designed to simulate all aspects of water resource systems
- Rainfall runoff
- Flow routing
- Dams
- Abstractions
- Wastewater discharges
- Constituent generation, transport and degradation
The SOURCE Model

Capability is extremely flexible and expandable
- Works with wide range of input data
- Programmable through Functions
- Brings together numerous different models through Plugins
- Catchment discretisation framework permits distributed modelling

Core calculations performed on a daily time step
Limitations

Not many – depends on scale and nature of application
- Regional v local processes
Does not simulate detailed groundwater exchange
- To compensate we are integrating the SOURCE model with MODFLOW
Complexity = time
Flow Calibration
Ngaruroro @ Whanawhana
Take Reliability Statistics
Ngaruroro @ Fernhill

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Water Quality Modelling
(Constituent Load Disaggregation)
TN Calibration
Ngaruroro @ Whanawhana
TN Simulation
Ngaruroro @ Whanawhana
Thank You!

Rob Waldron
Jeff Smith
Pawel Rakowski
Climate Change analysis – cumulative PET 2015 – 2041
Climate Change analysis – cumulative rain

Cumulative Rain (m)

- VCS1989-2015
- BCC
- CAM5
- GFDL
- GISS
- HadGEM
- NorESM
- BCC-3

Clusters:
- Cluster 1
- Cluster 3
- Cluster 9
Climate Change analysis – mean annual rain

Rain (mm)

Observed 1989-2015

Cluster 1
Cluster 3
Cluster 9

BCC
CAM5
GFDL
GISS
HadGEM
NorESM
Climate Change – NIWA report to MfE 2016

3 Projected changes in New Zealand atmospheric climate

- Projected changes are presented for 2040 (2031–2050 average), 2090 (2081–2100), and 2110 (2101–2120), all relative to the IPCC current-climate ‘baseline’ of 1986–2005.
- Temperature and precipitation projections are derived from both statistical (up to 41 models) and dynamical (six models) downscaling approaches.

**Temperature:**

i. The magnitude of the projected temperature changes increases with the RCP, with approximate increases by 2090 of +0.7°C under RCP2.6, +1.4°C under RCP4.5, +1.8°C under RCP6.0, and +3.0°C under RCP8.5. Warming is largest in the summer season, and least in winter and spring.

ii. The spatial variation in the warming trend is not large, except for faster warming in higher altitude South Island areas with the regional model dynamical downscaling.

iii. Temperature extremes change significantly. By the end of the century, the frequency of ‘hot days’ (maximum temperatures at least 25°C) doubles under the modest RCP4.5 forcing, and changes by a factor of 4 under RCP8.5. The frequency of ‘cold nights’ reduces dramatically at elevations below 50 metres – typically by around 90 per cent by 2090 under the highest RCP8.5 forcing.

iv. Air temperatures in the New Zealand region (over land and sea) are projected to increase at a rate about 75 per cent of the global warming rate, averaged across the models.

**Precipitation:**

i. The most common pattern of annual precipitation change shows the largest increases in the west of the South Island and the largest decreases in the east of the North Island and coastal Marlborough.

ii. Annual precipitation changes are small in many places, partly due to inter-model variability, but also to seasonal compensation, e.g., in Hawke’s Bay, models predict an increase in summer rainfall but a decrease in winter.
Minimum Flows for the Heretaunga Plains

Dr Thomas Wilding
Instream flows for fish – Ngaruroro and Tutaekuri

author: Kolt Johnson

Fernhill, 12 March 2013, 1400 L/s
From Previous Meetings

• “Minimum flow setting needs to take into account the impacts on environmental, cultural, social and economic values using a variety of methodologies (e.g. Mātauranga Māori; economic models)”

• “The TANK Group supports the use of RHYHABSIM for minimum flow setting where appropriate, to assess the implications of different flow regimes on the level of habitat retention for agreed species.”

  *Interim Agreements report (Feb 2014)*

• “Further discussions were required regarding indicator species in mainstem of Ngaruroro”, after torrentfish proposed.

  *TANK Meeting 16 (June 2015)*
Ngaruroro River (Fernhill)

- RHYHABSIM model predicts river depth and velocity and relates this to where fish are found
- This is used to predict change in habitat with flow
- Output graph informs flow setting
Ngaruroro: trout habitat versus flow
Minimum flow from RHYHABSIM uses MALF (mean annual low flow)

from Wilding (2003)
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> Flow at WUA optimum exceeds modelled range
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Same for Tutaekuri

- Less water demand (about 60 takes, including 20 from surface water).
# Tutaekuri minimum flow options

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These numbers will change - revised MALF
GW/SW Quantity Modelling

Modelling Levers and Scenario Development

Rob Waldron
GW/SW Quantity Modelling

Scenarios

- MODFLOW (GW) and SOURCE (SW) models have a number of parameters (levers) that can be changed to model different scenarios.
- Initial scenarios include:
  - Naturalised scenario
  - Current abstraction/allocation scenario
- More scenarios required to be developed to model alternative allocation and restriction regimes.
GW/SW Quantity Modelling

GW Modelling Levers:

- Total abstraction
  - Estimated actual use
  - Full use of existing allocation
  - Reduce or increase
- Abstraction points/locations
  - Abstraction from existing bores
  - New abstraction from new bores
- Restriction Regime
  - Abstraction restricted only by allocation limit
  - Stream depleting abstractions linked to SW restriction regime (e.g. minimum flows, staged reductions, etc)
GW/SW Quantity Modelling

SW Modelling Levers:

• Management Sites
  - Current (active) minimum flow sites
  - Proposed scenario - Rationalise minimum flow sites utilising oxygen-flow modelling work (TBC)

• Allocation Regime and Limit
  - Core and high flow allocation
    - Maintain existing allocation
    - Increase or reduce allocation
GW/SW Quantity Modelling

SW Modelling Levers:

• Restriction Regime
  - Minimum Flows
  - Staged Reductions
  - Flow sharing
GW/SW Quantity Modelling

SW Modelling Levers: Restriction Regime

- Minimum Flows
  - Current Minimum Flows
  - New/Revised Minimum Flows - based on habitat-flow modelling (or oxygen limit for low gradient streams)

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SW Modelling Levers: Restriction Regime

- Staged Reductions
  - Potentially based on levels of habitat protection
  - Example of a 3-Stage Reduction and Minimum Flow

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GW/SW Quantity Modelling

SW Modelling Levers: Restriction Regime

• Flow sharing
  - Where available flow is shared between the abstractors and the river
  - Examples of flow sharing scenarios

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SW Modelling Scenario Development: Ngaruroro & Tutaekuri
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Verbal updates from Working Groups

- Engagement
- Economic Assessments
  - RfP
- Stormwater
- Wetlands/Lakes
- Mana whenua
Next meeting – 9 February 2017

AGENDA - TANK #26

• Preliminary report from Stormwater Working Group
• Clive and Waitangi Estuary - nutrients and flows
• SOURCE modelling report back
• Update on Socio-Economics assessment work-to-date
• Possible establishment of Water Augmentation Group
• Plan change skeleton
## Schedule for 2017

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Closing Karakia

Nau mai rā

Te mutu ngā o tatou hui

Kei te tumanako

I runga te rangimarie

I a tatou katoa

Kia pai to koutou haere

Mauriora kia tatou katoa

Āmine