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4. Place Objectives and Implementation

4.1 Introduction

4.1.1 Places

For this section of the CMS the Conservancy has been divided into nine place units. The majority of each place section is devoted to identifying priorities for that unit. This includes an explanation of the issue of concern, specific objectives and implementation statements detailing the methods that will be used to achieve the objectives.

4.1.2 Place Unit Definitions

These place units reflect a combination of natural characteristics and cultural interests. The following criteria were used to derive their boundaries:

- ecological region boundaries
- commonality of nature conservation issues
- recreation or tourism destinations
- Department of Conservation area boundaries
- Ngāi Tahu Rūnanga rohe (area)
- catchment boundaries
- local communities of interest

These place units are used for CMS purposes only. They do not necessarily coincide with other statutory, scientific or commonly used boundaries. The term “place” is used in this CMS in the manner that people use “a sense of place”, and is similar to the “geographic zones and subzones” and “management areas and sub areas” used in the adjoining Otago and West Coast CMSs [Otago Conservation Management Strategy (1998) and West Coast Conservation Management Strategy 1996–2005 draft volume 1 (1996)] respectively.

A brief description and guide to each place unit boundary and the land managed within them by the Conservancy follows.

Hurunui

The Hurunui unit includes the Hanmer Conservation Park, the Lake Sumner Conservation Park, and the Lewis Pass National Scenic Reserve and conservation area. It extends from the summit ridge of Dampier Range in the south, along the main divide, and follows the northern Conservancy boundary. The eastern boundary is the Wandle River and the western edge of the Culverden Plain.

Lowry

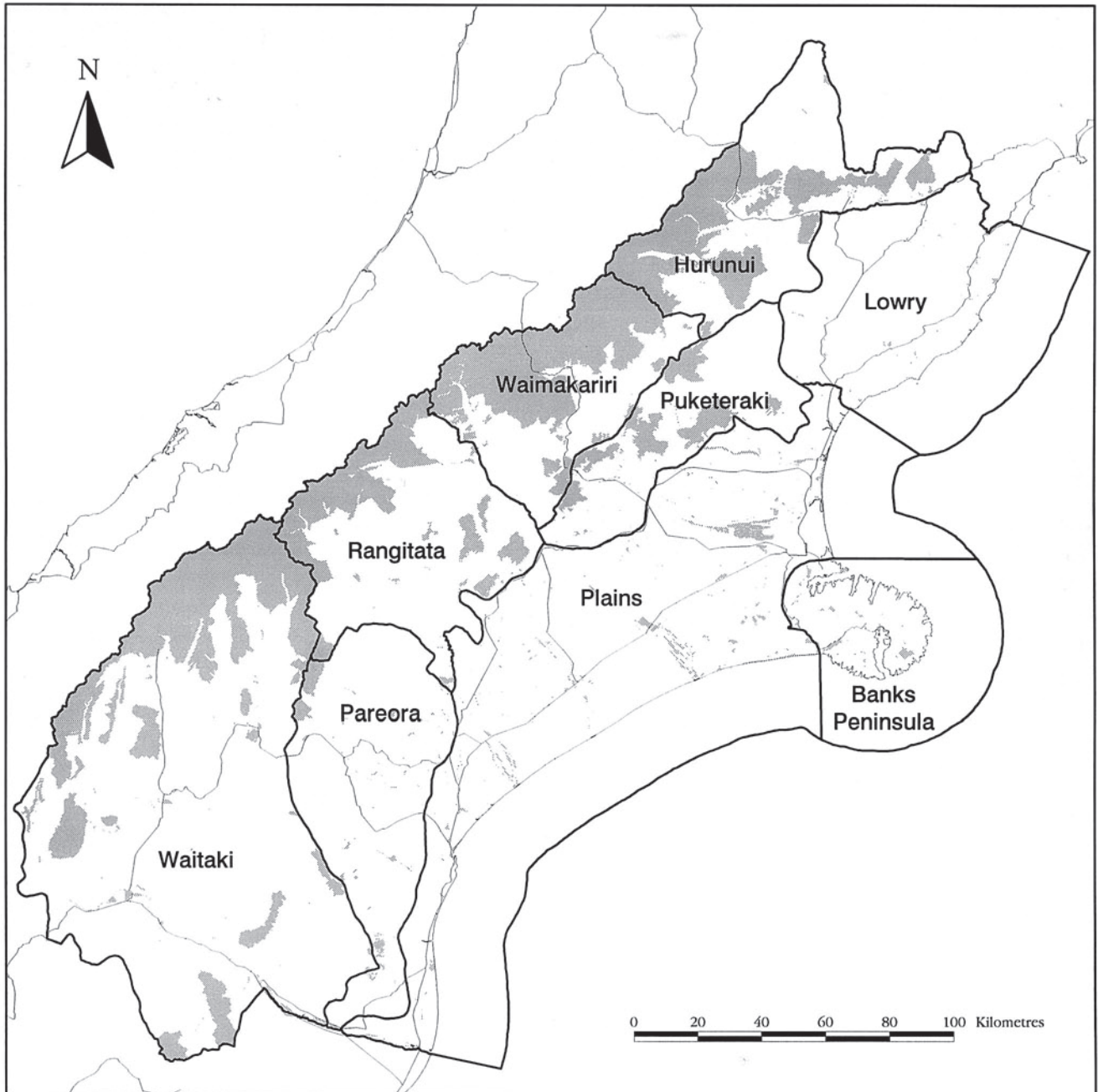
The Lowry unit includes all North Canterbury coastal reserves managed by the Department. It consists largely of the Lowry Ecological Region. It extends from the Waipara River in the south, westwards along the western edge of the Culverden Plain to the Wandle River. The northern boundary follows the Conway River and to the east extends from the coast to the 12 nautical mile (22.2 kilometre) territorial sea limit.

Banks Peninsula

The Banks Peninsula unit includes all Port Hills and Banks Peninsula reserves managed by the Department. It consists of the Banks Peninsula Ecological Region. It includes all of the Port Hills and Banks Peninsula and

extends to the 12 nautical mile (22.2 kilometre) territorial sea limit.

Map 2 CMS Place Units



- CMS Place Unit Boundaries
- State highway
- Land managed by the Department

See 4.1.2 for a description of place boundaries

Map 2: CMS Place Units

Puketeraki

The Puketeraki unit includes the Oxford and Mount Thomas foothill forests (conservation areas). It consists partly of the Canterbury foothills, Canterbury plains and Puketeraki ecological regions. The unit extends eastward along the summit ridges of the Ben More, Torlesse and Puketeraki Ranges, until it meets the Lowry unit boundary at the Waipara River. The eastern boundary is the seaward edge of the North Canterbury foothills.

Plains

The Plains unit includes all the Waimakariri coastal reserves, the reserves and conservation areas of Te Waihora/Lake Ellesmere, and Wainono Conservation Area. It includes most of the Canterbury Plains and Wainono ecological regions. The unit extends eastward from the Canterbury foothills and extends to the 12 nautical mile (22.2 kilometre) territorial sea limit.

Waimakariri

The Waimakariri unit includes Arthur's Pass National Park, Craigieburn Conservation Park, Castle Hill Conservation Area, and the Cave Stream Reserve. It consists largely of the Hawdon and Puketeraki ecological regions. The southern boundary is the Rolleston Range and the Rakaia River, and extends northward along the main divide as far as the Dampier Range. The eastern boundary is the summit ridges of the Ben More, Torlesse and Puketeraki Ranges.

Pareora

The Pareora unit includes the reserves and land managed by the Department along the Hunters Hills and Fairlie Basin. It consists of the Pareora Ecological Region. It extends from the Waitaki river, along the summit ridges of the Hunters Hills and Two Thumb Range as far as the Rangitata River. The eastern boundary is the Canterbury plains.

Rangitata

The Rangitata unit includes all of the land managed by the Department in the central Southern Alps/Kā Tiritiri o te Moana area, the Lake Heron Nature Reserve, and the Mount Somers and Mount Hutt conservation areas. It consists largely of the D'Archiac and Heron ecological regions. It extends along the Southern Alps/Kā Tiritiri o te Moana from the Two Thumb Range as far as the Rolleston Range and Rakaia River in the north. It is bounded to the east by the western edge of the Canterbury plains.

Waitaki

The Waitaki unit includes Aoraki/Mount Cook National Park, Lindis Pass Scenic Reserve, and the Ōhau, Kirkliston and other conservation areas of the Waitaki Basin. It consists largely of the D'Archiac, Tasman, Lakes, Mackenzie, Waitaki and Kakanui ecological regions. The unit follows the Conservancy boundaries of the Hawkdun and Kakanui Ranges in the south, and extends along the main divide as far as the Two Thumb Range. The eastern boundary is the summit ridges of the Two Thumb, Rollesby and Hunters Hills ranges.

4.1.3 Place Priorities

Introduction

The natural and historic character of each of the place units (e.g. Banks Peninsula) and the current conservation efforts of the community, this Conservancy and other agencies create issues that require resolution over the next ten years. Many of the specific objectives for the Conservancy are outlined in Part 5 (Activity Objectives and Implementation) and will be implemented in each place on an ongoing basis. Examples include: plant and animal pest control programmes, landowner liaison, recreational facility maintenance, and historic management.

Issues

Some issues have particular significance in each place and are a Conservancy priority for attention. They may involve a range of different activities, with a requirement for multiple focus of Conservancy effort. The issues

that require special effort from the Conservancy over the next ten years have been identified as key priorities.

Priorities

To help resolve central conservation issues and to guide its activities, the Conservancy has established key priorities for the next ten years. These priorities are summarised in tables (one for each place unit) along with the issues, results sought and the relevant activity sections.

To provide integrated solutions to complex problems, Conservancy policies will often require implementations from more than one activity section. For example, the management of coastal estuaries could include people participation, rúnanga involvement, ecosystem and species protection, plant and animal pest management, and RMA methods.

Each priority for departmental action in a place has an equivalent priority in Part 5 of this CMS. There are summarised in Table 3 (3.2 Key Priorities). Departmental activities that are not key priorities within each place are described in the relevant activity section (Part 5).

Less Achievable Tasks

However, there are also tasks and actions that the Department of Conservation may not be able to undertake within the next ten years, given the present resources and technology, and without external assistance. These are identified immediately preceding the key priority table for each place unit. Interested individuals and groups are encouraged to contribute in these areas.