

Progress and closing report on NOP objectives



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Awareness	9.0.1	Generate awareness of the national plan that increases goodwill towards protecting Kauri and encourages target audiences' support of, and compliance with, the new regulations.	Achieved Two successful public awareness campaigns have been run to build goodwill and raise awareness of the National Plan, reaching over 1.8 million New Zealanders. Branded merchandise has been
	6.1.1	Undertaking awareness campaigns targeting forest visitors.	provided to stakeholders throughout the year to support advocacy work. New forest signage has been designed and launched for production of new signs for sites throughout Kauri Lands. A survey to measure attitudes to Kauri protection and awareness and understanding of the National Plan has been run, finding 90% of New Zealanders think it's important to protect Kauri.
	3.3.1	Education and awareness, to ensure individuals and organisations are aware of their role in Kauri protection and the NPMP requirements.	
	6.4.1	Raising awareness amongst earthworks and infrastructure companies on the commencement of Rule 5.	Delayed A targeted awareness plan is planned for summer 24/25. Targeted awareness was delayed, to allow for
	6.2.1	Ensuring all major native plant producers are aware of and implementing NPMP requirements.	greater impact when combined with a general, Kauri land-wide awareness campaign.
Forest & Risk Management decision- making	8.4.3	Deploying available treatments where appropriate (e.g. culturally or ecologically significant trees).	Achieved Rongoā treatments applied to 98 Kauri. Phosphite treatments applied across multiple forests.
	6.3.4.2	Supporting animal control efforts of implementation partners and collaborators.	Achieved 2547 wild animals (pigs, goats and cattle) managed by mana whenua, DOC and councils.
	6.3.2.2	The development of risk maps and assessments to prioritise infrastructure installation and upgrades.	Achieved Six large forest risk maps have been developed to inform management decision-making in key locations.
	6.3.4.1	Develop best practice roadmaps, monitoring needs, and increase our understanding of the science and engagement to perform wild animal management, starting with pig control.	Partially Achieved A pig disturbance monitoring tool has been developed along with two papers – one on the social license of pig control and the other on modelling feral pig occupancy.

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	6.1.3	Updating and publishing national standards (where appropriate).	Delayed Track standards are completed but not published and roading standards are in draft stage.
	7.0.2	Establish the first Kauri Protection Areas.	Delayed This is progressing through consultation stages locally with Auckland Council and local board processes taking place. Funding was provided to support the work required for the development of a potential pilot Kauri Protection Area in the heart of the Waitākere Ranges.
Education	6.4.2	Resources to support hygiene and risk management best practice near Kauri.	Achieved Best practice offtrack guide (surveillance, trapping etc),
	6.1.2	Updating and publishing best practice guidance (where appropriate).	Earthworks risk management plan and nursery production plan guide are finalised.
	6.3.1.1	Ensuring landowners and occupiers know the symptoms of PA-caused disease and how to report them.	Achieved The Kauri Protection Website includes photos and advice for identifying PA infection. Kauri protection inbox is monitored for reports, advice on best practice is given and referred on to councils.
	6.3.3.2	Voluntary uptake of risk management plan to be encouraged by landowners, occupiers and managers.	Achieved A template and best practice guide for landowner risk management plans has been developed and published online, along with the development of Kauri Ora Plan templates that also address PA risk.
Māori engagement	5.2.1	Ensure mana whenua are engaged with the programme across Kauri lands.	Achieved Hui and wānanga were held throughout Kauri lands, resulting in working with 27 mana whenua groups. A collaboration of hapū in Eastern Northland has been set up to protect Kauri.
Capability Building	5.2.2	Support current funding recipients to achieve goals.	Achieved Ongoing support for funded parties is provided via our regional engagement team and through our work with DOC and Councils.
Compliance	6.5.2	Standards for stock proof fencing, for the purpose of the NPMP, will be investigated.	Deferred On investigation, regional standards are suitable for the purpose of supporting the Stock Exclusion Rule, national standards are not required.

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	6.3.5.2	Updated standards for the approval of landfills will also be developed.	Delayed Work has been underway on developing standards for composting as a means of safe disposal of contaminated materials. An "approved" landfill list will be maintained on the Kauri Protection website. A movement away from "updated standards" to "updated assessment criteria" is likely.
	6.3.5.1	Regional and district councils have aligned and integrated earthworks requirements.	Partially achieved – ongoing District and Regional plan requirements are updated at the renewal date of the plan. Two district councils have aligned requirements and a third is likely to be finalised soon.
	6.3.3.1	Policy approach for requesting and assessing risk management plans.	Partially achieved – ongoing Process is mapped, criteria for prioritising to be agreed.
	3.5.3	Establish a national Kauri protection compliance plan.	Partially achieved – ongoing Kauri Protection Compliance Framework developed, agreement on roles and responsibilities in compliance activity still underway.
	6.5.1	Processes for prioritising and issuing notices and utilising Part 6 powers.	Delayed De-prioritised due to capacity restraints. This will be delivered as part of the National Compliance Plan.
	3.4.1	Product detailing the broader Kauri-related regulatory environment and detailing the varying roles and responsibilities within both NPMP implementation and the wider Kauri protection programme of work.	Achieved A high-level map of regulatory system map has been developed, including biosecurity, biodiversity, treaty partnership and land management systems.
	3.5.2	Accredit authorised persons in each Kauri land region.	Partially achieved - ongoing Authorised people in the two of the four regions, with more under consideration.
	3.5.1	Establish a standardised authorised person training and accreditation programme.	Achieved An online training module has been created. Supplementary in-person training development is underway.

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Monitoring & surveillance	8.2.2	A long-term surveillance plan will be developed, to transition to an ongoing monitoring over time.	Achieved All Kauri stands greater than 5 hectares mapped. Individual Kauri trees mapped across all large Kauri forests. Contemporary movement mapped via mobile data showing variability over time and space. Known risk layers mapped, ready for subsequent analysis.
	8.2.1	Co-design and begin the implementation of a risk-based surveillance and monitoring workplan in Puketi forest, along with other sites across Kauri lands, that can be adapted and adopted by others.	Achieved Risk map completed, sampling plan delivered and executed. Five additional forest level risk maps and three additional sampling plans completed.
Science and research	8.3.3	The development of cost- effective testing and diagnostic methods.	Achieved Standardised testing protocols and
	6.2.2	Continued improvement of SOPs for testing, hygiene practices and PA decontamination.	laboratory protocols established, validation process streamlined. Off track hygiene guides updated.
	8.4.4	Supporting the development of new and promising tools for treatment of PA infected trees.	Achieved - Developed phosphite dosage guidelines for treating trees of
	8.4.2	Support on-going research and development into improving the treatment tools currently in use.	variable sizes. Set up long-term trials for phosphite treatments for large trees. Investigation into rongoā approaches ongoing.
	8.3.2	Cross-agency peer review panel established for research that will be used to guide decision-making.	Achieved Peer review working groups were established on an as-needed basis, with lessening funding for science a standing peer review panel is not required.
	8.3.1	Research will be supported in line with the science plan priorities identified.	Achieved Supported projects related to 5 out 6 science plan theme: Surveillance,
	6.0.4	Determine where key gaps in knowledge and process exist and prioritise filling them.	detection, diagnostics and pathways, Biology of hosts and pathogens, te ao Māori, building public / community engagement and social license and control and management.
	6.0.1	Assess our existing vector and risk management knowledge pool.	Achieved Surveillance has identified strong risk factor correlates, these are built into risk mapping.

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Mātauranga	8.1.1	Mātauranga Māori approaches will continue to be identified and supported.	Achieved Over 77 wānanga have been supported for the transmission of
	6.0.3	Identify what knowledge can be better shared across the Kauri regions.	mātauanga. Supported the building of a mātauranga facility. Many Kauri Ora Plans include a mātauranga component.
Strategy and governance	5.1.2	Fill Governance Group.	Partially achieved – ongoing Four members were appointed over the last NOP term, one remains vacant. Governance is reviewing its terms of reference at present and this will include extending terms and appointments.
	5.1.1	Establish the Rōpū Kaumatua group.	Deferred This approach was discontinued in favour of more localised applications of mātauranga Māori.
	3.3.2	Ensuring foundation policies and processes are in place (all pou).	Partially Achieved - ongoing Foundational policies developed for priority areas (e.g. surveillance, funding, reporting, business planning). Some compliance policies still outstanding.
Reporting	3.3.3	Establishing KPIs across the pou delivery areas.	Achieved See 'Measures' section in the National Operational Plan.