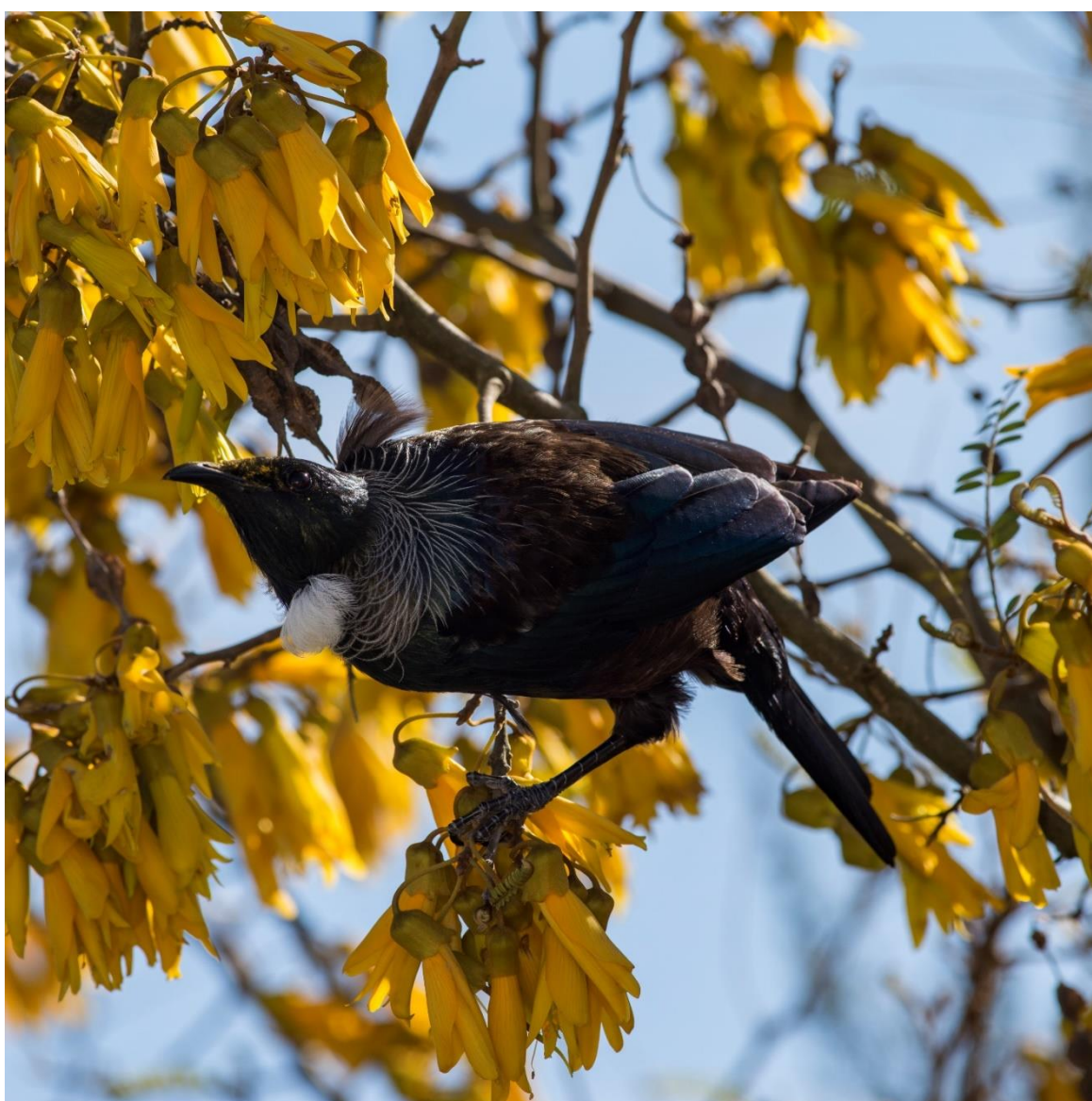




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Te Runanga Papa Atawhai O Te Taitokerau

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1. Chairpersons Report

What started out to be a very busy year for the Board was interrupted by the covid-19 pandemic during March of this year. What was normal practice for members interacting with Mana Whenua, communities, conservational groups, and industry on a *kanohi ki te kanohi* basis became a new form of communication engagement via electronic medium namely zoom, Skype and teleconferences. To be honest this way of engagement did my head in and I'm sure my fellow colleagues felt the same way. The Board wishes to acknowledge the Department of Conservation staff that ensured the covid-19 policy and procedures were in place and communicated to Board members in a very timely manner.

However, prior to the pandemic lockdown the Board was able to hold three formal meetings, a 'working meeting' and a site visit to Opuia forest experiencing the 'Guided - Papatuanuku Mother Earth Tour'. The tour was a refreshing way of viewing our iconic scenery and nature. Well worth the visit.



The Board had a memorable site visit to Opuia Forest with Stella from Papatūānuku Earth Mother Tours as our guide

The Northland Conservation Board held its last meeting in June at the Department of Conservation – Kerikeri office. This meeting brought an end to two of our members who chose not to re stand as members on the Board. Luana Pirihi and I, after serving two terms (6 Years) on the Conservation Board were acknowledged by fellow members and staff from the department. Thank you to Sue Reed Thomas and Lou Sanson (Director General) for skypping into our meeting and bidding us farewell.



We waved farewell to two of our members, Willie Wright and Luana Pirihi, who have both served on the Board for six years.

I make mention here that, despite the unforeseen turmoil of covid-19, at a national scale, Te Tai Tokerau received special acknowledgement by the Government in freshwater management and water quality enhancement. Northland Conservation Board hold dearly to the Ministers aspirations of swimmable rivers, waterways, and improved Biodiversity.

In 2019 the Kaipara Harbour and her catchment was acknowledged as an exemplar catchment and in June this year the remediation of the Kaipara Harbour was acknowledged by the Crown and was supported by a ten-year funding package of \$300 million.



Prime Minister Jacinda Ardern and the Hon. David Parker at the announcement of an exemplar Kaipara Harbour catchment

The focus of the remediation is to reduce sedimentation entering the harbour by way of controlling highly erodible land, fencing off waterways, planting riparian margins, creating wetlands, and ensuring Mātauranga Māori and Western Science is at the forefront of this massive project. The catchment spans 649,000 hectares with the harbour receiving up to 700,000 tons of sedimentation per year. A Memorandum of Understanding was signed on the 9th October between Kaipara Uri, Northland Regional Council, Auckland Council and the Crown at Waihaua Marae.

A special mention must go to Tania McInnes who became the new Chair for the Board. With her passion for conservation, desire for inclusiveness and working as a team player Tania brings to the table leadership qualities and an array of community and Mana Whenua connections.

I also welcome all the new members to the Northland Conservation Board.

Naku noa,

William Wright
Chairperson
Northland Conservation Board

2. Introduction

This is the 29th Northland Conservation Board Annual Report as required under Section 6 of the Conservation Act 1987.

The Northland Conservation Board had 7 members for the 2018-2019 year appointed by the Minister of Conservation under the terms of the Conservation Act 1987.

There was one appointment to the Board, Adrienne Tari remained as Chair and Willie Wright as Deputy-Chair.

Conservation Boards are independent advisory bodies, established by statute. The Northland Conservation Board represents the community and offers interaction between communities and the Department of Conservation, within the area of jurisdiction of the Board.

The Board has several statutory roles under various Acts including:

- The recommendation of a Northland Conservation Management Strategy (CMS) to the New Zealand Conservation Authority (NZCA) for approval
- Advising the Department of Conservation and the NZCA on how conservation management strategies and plans will be put into practice.
- Reporting on the implementation of the CMS
- The approval of Conservation Management Plans
- The recommendation of National Park Management Plans to the NZCA for approval
- Advising the Department of Conservation and NZCA on conservation matters, and proposed changes to status of land of national and international significance
- Liaising with Fish and Game Council on conservation matters

Carrying out other powers delegated by the Minister of Conservation, the Conservation Act or any other Act.

Section 6(0) of the Conservation Act requires conservation boards to provide the NZCA with an annual report as soon as practical after 30 June each year. In recognition of this requirement the Northland Conservation Board submits this annual report.

The Northland Conservation Board is appointed by the Minister of Conservation under section 6(P) of the Conservation Act 1987. Board functions are outlined in section 6(M) and the powers, which enable the Board to carry out those functions, are under 6(N) of the Act.

The Conservation Act specifies that the Board's role is to:

- recommend the approval of conservation management strategies.
- approve conservation management plans.
- advise on how conservation management strategies and plans will be put into practice.
- advise on proposed changes to the status of land areas of national and international significance.
- liaise with Fish and Game Councils on conservation matters; and
- carry out other powers delegated to them by the Conservation Minister, the Conservation Act, or any other Act.

The Board has several functions under section 30 of the National Parks Act 1980. These functions include recommending the review or amendment of national park management plans and recommending approval of these plans by the New Zealand Conservation Authority (NZCA).

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3. Conservation Board Region

The Northland Conservation Board's area of jurisdiction covers all public conservation lands, waters, and resources in Northland. The area also extends out to the 12-nautical mile limit with respect to coastal and marine issues, and out to the 200-nautical mile limit with respect to protected species.

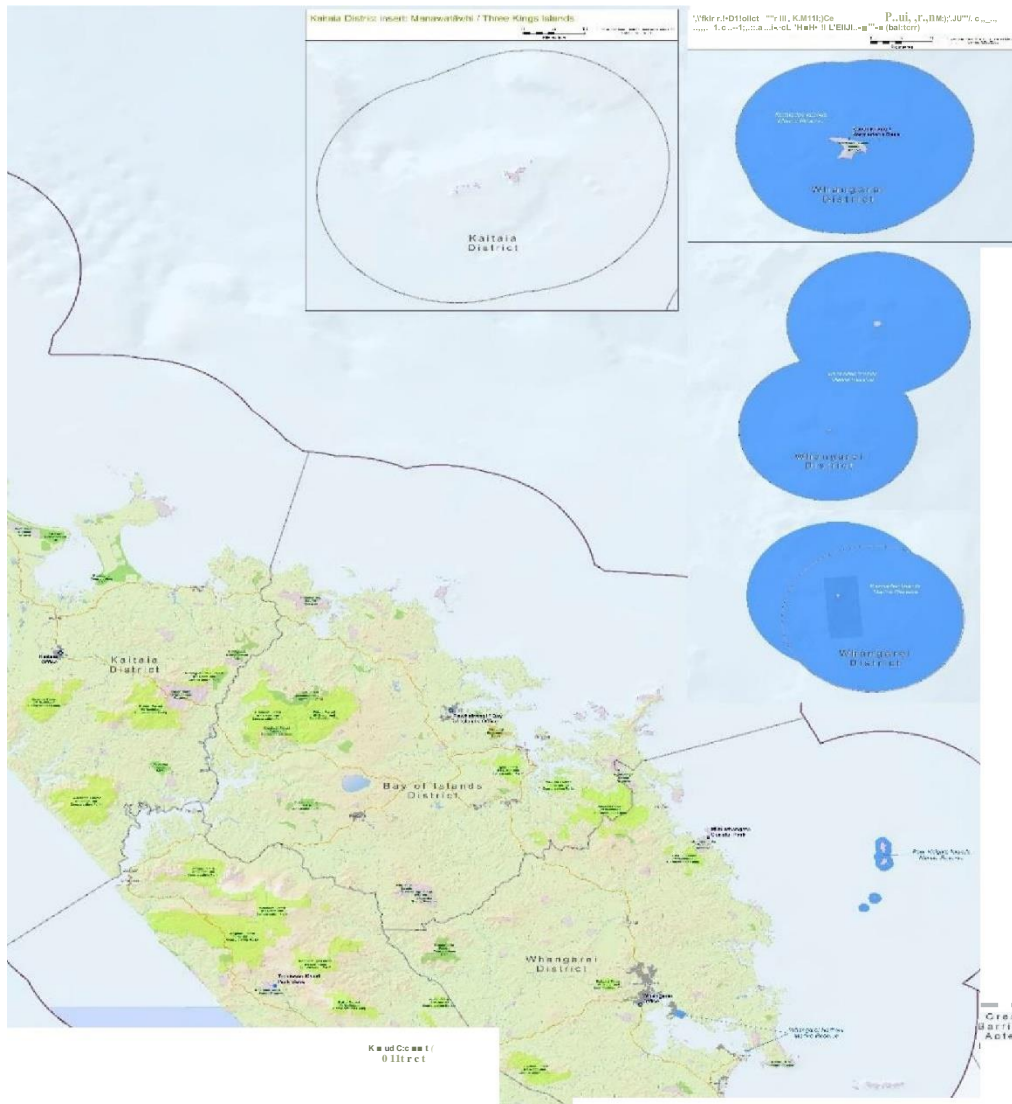


Figure I. Northland Conservation Board Jurisdiction

Northland's terrestrial area covers approximately 1 254 826 ha, with around 13-4% of this area (167 918 ha) designated as public conservation land.

The Northland Protected Natural Area Programme (PNAP) has identified around 21.7% (272 176 ha) of important natural areas on the mainland, with 47% (129 057 ha) of these areas occurring on public conservation land. The large number of issues which are of interest to the Board include: e.g.

- ✚ Ecosystem management and management of plant and animal species,
- ✚ Management of recreational facilities
- ✚ Management of historic sites
- ✚ Concession activities, including those relating to recreation and tourism activities, grazing, industrial use, filming, and gravel extraction.
- ✚ Mining and access arrangements
- ✚ Marine protection
- ✚ Biosecurity issues

Conservation Features of the Area

Main features of Public Conservation Land and Waters within the Board's boundaries are:

- ✚ The 16 harbours, numerous bays, inlets, and islands on the 3000 km long coastline are a primary attraction for residents and visitors to the region.
- ✚ Northland contains the largest area of relatively unmodified sand hills and dune lands (Pouto Peninsula), the largest manawa/mangrove (*Avicennia marina*) forest (Rangaunu Harbour) and one of the most biologically rich harbours (Parengarenga Harbour) in New Zealand.
- ✚ Kaipara Harbour is a dominant and unifying feature, as its catchment drains almost the entire southern half of the region as well as linking with the adjacent Auckland region.
- ✚ Waipoua Forest
- ✚ Dune lands and wetlands on Pouto Peninsula
- ✚ A high number of threatened and at-risk endemic invertebrates, including land snails and insects, often with locally restricted distributions.
- ✚ Home to over half of New Zealand's vascular plant species. Of the 804 species that are only found in New Zealand, 152 species only occur in Northland.
- ✚ Predator free islands
- ✚ Diverse and unique freshwater and marine habitats
- ✚ Birthplace of the nation.

4. Board Functions

4.1 Board Functions Under Section 6m of the Conservation Act 1987

The functions of the Board are:

- To recommend the approval by the Conservation Authority of conservation management strategies, and the review and amendment of such strategies, under the relevant enactments
- To approve conservation management plans, and the review and amendment of such plans, under the relevant enactments
- To advise the Conservation Authority and the Director-General on the implementation of conservation management strategies and conservation management plans for the area within the jurisdiction of the Board
- To advise the Conservation Authority or the Director-General
- On any proposed change of status or classification of any area of national or international importance; and
- On any other conservation matter relating to any area with the jurisdiction of the Board
- To liaise with any Fish and Game Council on matter within the jurisdiction of the Board
- To exercise such powers and functions as may be delegated to it by the Minister under this Act or any other Act

4.2 Powers of the Board under Section 6n of the Conservation Act 1987

- 1) Every Board shall have all such powers as are reasonably necessary or expedient to enable it to carry out its functions.
- 2) Without limiting the generality of subsection (1), each Board may -
 - a) Advocate its interests at any public forum or in any statutory planning process; and
 - b) Appoint committees of members and other suitable persons, and delegate to them functions and powers.
- 3) The power conferred by subsection (2)(a) shall include the right to appear before courts and tribunals in New Zealand and be heard on matters affecting or relating to the Board's functions.

4.3 Responsibilities under other Sections of the Conservation Act 1987

Nil

4.4 Board Functions under the National Parks Act 1980

There are no National Parks within the Board's region.

4.5 Board Membership

There were 7 Board Members for the reporting year appointed by the Minister of Conservation.

- Georgina Garon appointed for a 3-year term.

The following table lists the membership of the Northland Conservation Board between 1 July 2019 and 30 June 2020 and their term of office.

Board member	Area	Term start	Term end	Term served
Willie Wright	Kaipara	1 July 2014	30 June 2020	5 years
Luana Pirihi	Whangarei	1 July 2014	30 June 2020	5 years
Tania McInnes	Paihia	1 July 2017	30 June 2022	2 years
Georgina Garon	Mangawhai	1 July 2019	30 June 2022	1 year
Adrienne Tari – resigned	Russell	1 July 2015	28 Feb 2020	4 years 6 mths
Lydia Draper	Waipu	1 July 2018	30 June 2021	1 year
Taipari Munro – resigned	Whangarei	1 July 2018	19 Feb 2020	1 year 6 mths

Table 1: Board Membership

4.6 Members Profiles

Adrienne Tari – Chair

Ms Tari is involved with several community groups in the mid Northland area.

She also has strong connections to local hapu. Her hapu connections include Ngāti Rangī, Te Uri Taniwha and Ngāti Hineira, and Ngāpuhi iwi.

Her outdoor interests include mountain biking and spending time with whanau.



Willie Wright – Deputy Chair

Mr Wright is the Programme Manager for the Integrated Kaipara Harbour Management Group, a board member on the Co-Governance committee – Pou Tu o Te Rangī/Harding Park, Dargaville, and a negotiator for the Kaipara Moana remediation for Te Uri o Hau / Ngati Whatua. He has been a member of the Northland Conservation Board as Chair / deputy Chair for many years.

He has vast knowledge and experience in the Treaty of Waitangi process and Treaty settlements. He has extensive iwi and cultural awareness skills, as well as governance and directorship skills having been a board member on many trusts and local community groups. He has a passion for ecosystem and co-management-based approach with a strong focus on community and Mana Whenua led initiatives.

His interests include fishing and family time.

He is of Ngati Whatua/Ngati Porou and Scottish descent.



Luana Pirihi

Involved with many community environmental protection groups and trusts.

Strong connections to local iwi. Iwi affiliations: Patuharakeke, Ngati Whatua, Ngāpuhi and Ngatiwai



Tania McInnes



Tania's professional knowledge and expertise is broad.

Her forte is in (servant) leadership, vision, and strategy.

She is also gifted in 'bringing people together', community facilitation and project management.

From 2013 to 2019 she was Deputy Mayor in the Far North.

One of her favourite quotes is 'we do not inherit the earth from our ancestors - we borrow it from our children.'

Georgina Garon



Ko Ngātokimatawhaorua te Waka
Ko Ngāpuhi te Iwi
Ko Te Mahurehure te Hapu
Ko Otātara te Marae
Ko Whakatere te Maunga
Ko Moehau te Awa
No Waima ahau
Ko Georgina Garon taku ingoa

Born in Kawakawa and raised in the Hokianga, I am proud to be a born and bred Northlander. I am a wife, mother of two and a passionate Kaitiaki on a mission to protect our environment for our children and mokopuna yet to come. It is my hope that someday our mokopuna will be able to see kauri trees standing healthy and strong, swim in clean waterways that are free of pollutants, be deafened by the sound of bird song as they walk through the ngahere and be able to gather kai from an abundant Taiao where resources are plentiful. I hold a bachelor of Māori Development, a Post Graduate Diploma in Public Health and am currently working towards a Master of Public Health. I work as an Environmental Health Scientist where I specialise in Contaminated Land Management and also direct my own medical consultancy business. I commit to wearing a Te Ao Māori lens whilst working in the field of science.

Lydia Draper

*Ko Piroa te maunga
Ko Ahuroa to awa
Ko Paepae-o-tū te moana
Ko Lydia Draper tōku ingoa*

Communications Officer for the Marine Megafauna Foundation (*a marine conservation charity based in Mozambique, Africa*),

Chairperson (*interim*) for the Waipū Community Led Fund Project committee, a supporter of the Bream Bay Coastal Care Trust and a member of the Waipū Playcentre.

Actively concerned with the state of Aotearoa’s waterways and the impact their degradation is having on our moana (and therefore all life on earth).

Of Pākehā lineage, writes poetry to be (and become) a conscious citizen of Aotearoa.



Taipari Munro

He has extensive iwi links across Northland the Coromandel, and brought skills in Māoritanga, governance and environmental management to the Board

Taipari was often a lead kaumatua for Māori advice in Whangarei for many events that required his expertise.

- ❖ collaborated with local historian Mim Ringer to write his knowledge of local Māori history and protocol which was much sought after.
- ❖ unveiled the Waka and Wave sculptures at the end of the Hihiaua Peninsula (the stories on the panels were assembled by Taipari Munro in consultation with the Tangata Whenua of Whangārei)

Te Uriroroi / Te Parawhau / Ngati Wai / Ngati Te Tawera / Te Waiariki / Ngati Pukenga-ki-Te Tai Tokerau



4.7 Board Meetings

The Northland Conservation Board held three Formal Public meetings during the reported period. Venues for the Board meetings are varied each year to ensure a wide coverage and enables members of the public in the district to attend and access the Board.

Board Meeting Dates	Meeting Location and Venue
9 August 2019	DOC Office, 150 Colville Road, Kauri Coast
8 November 2019	Treaty Grounds, Tau Henare Drive, Waitangi
12 June 2020	DOC Office, Bay of Island

Table II Board meeting dates and location

4.8 Attendance

The table below summarises the number of Formal Meetings attended by members out of the total number of meetings held during the year.

Members attended other meetings and events in their role as Board members, including representative roles.

Board Member	Formal Meetings
Willie Wright	3/3
Luana Pirihi	3/3
Adrienne Tari - resigned	1/3
Georgina Garon	2/3
Lydia Draper	3/3
Taipari Munro – resigned	0/3
Tania McInnes	3/3

Table III: Member attendance.

4.9 Board Committee and Representation

Membership of Board committees was reviewed in July, at the beginning of the Board year. No subcommittees were appointed.

4.10 Training for Members

The Board undertook an induction workshop in July 2019 which provided background information on the region, the role of conservation boards and local issues.

In addition to the regular updates on the Departments activities provided in the status report which is considered at each meeting, the Board received additional briefings and updates. Topics covered this year were:

- ❖ Permissions & Statutory Land Management Processes
- ❖ Bottlenose Dolphin Marine Mammal – permit renewals and restrictions
- ❖ Kauri Dieback Updates
- ❖ Myrtle Rust Updates
- ❖ Niagara Vessel
- ❖ Purpose and implementation of Section 4 of the Conservation Act 1987 and the Treaty of Waitangi
- ❖ CMS review process

The Department also provided an update on conservation activities within the local area at each meeting location.

4.11 Community and DOC Involvement in Board Meetings

Public forums are offered at each Board meeting for members of the community to raise conservation issues with the Board.

Public Attendees	Date	Issue
Penny Smart-NRC Councillor	9/8/2019	Northern Wairoa restoration project is being well supported. Planting at Dune Lakes with schools participating Government has allocated \$12M for a Clean Waterway Fund Government to introduce 3-water reforms (drinking, stormwater, and wastewater) Regional Plan 19-2- appeals received. Some will go to mediation. Coastal Marine area – no rules imposed. Left to the EPA
Nicole Anderson, NZCA Liaison	8/11/2019	Consideration with climate change issues when reviewing the CMS. Maui Hudson, Associate Professor, The University of Waikato presented to the NZCA on Genomic Research and Maturanga Maori and access to Taonga species (suggested the Board to invite him to present)



4.12 Field Trips and Site Inspections

The Board aims to visit at least two sites each financial year. Site visits serve multiple goals including public exposure and support for community groups that are doing work related to the CMS milestones.

Date	Purpose/Location
20 Feb 2020	Guided Tour with Papatuanuku Mother Earth Tours, Opua Forest

NB: This site visit was originally scheduled for 7 November 2019 but had to be postponed due to the Tuia 250 Celebrations in Waitangi.

4.13 Community Activities supported by the Board

Event	Purpose
<p>Bottlenose Dolphin Marine Mammal Permit Renewal Decision</p>	
<p>The Bottlenose dolphin in the Bay due to the decline in numbers. On 19 June 2019, a decision was made in regard to the Bottlenose Dolphin Marine Mammal Permit Renewal decision</p>	
<p>Kauri Ora (Kauri Die-back) Update for Waipoua and Puketi</p>	

On 20 May 2019 the (DOC) and Te Roroa (kaitiaki over Waipoua Forest) announced that the Four Sisters Walk within Waipoua Forest has temporarily closed due to the discovery of the kauri dieback pathogen in the near vicinity.

Tree Planting – One Tree Point



In **July** the Board helped to plant 1500 trees with Whitebait Connection alongside with ANZ staff. Another 500 trees were planted by One Tree Point School students planting spinifex in Ruakaka.



Integrated Kaipara Harbour Management Group (IKHMG)

August also saw the Integrated Kaipara Harbour Management Group (IKHMG) host the Prime Minister and other Ministers to showcase the sustainable freshwater project. The project was developed in conjunction with farmers, councils, schools, and the community. Processes were developed to improve sustainable farming, improve waterways in the harbour, and stop sedimentation. \$12 million has been allocated for a Clean Waterway Fund.

Access to Taronui Beach



The Taronui Recreation Reserve is an 18.5ha Crown-owned recreation reserve, managed by DOC. The reserve is located on the open coast side of the Purerua Peninsula between Tapuaetahi and Elliot's Beach. Access to the reserve is over Crown land, and the use is shared by several adjoining landowners.

Over the last 10 years, access to many of the beaches in this area have gone into private ownership and leaving only Taronui Beach with public access and available for the local community to access.

The local hapu is Ngati Rehia - Woolshed Bay, Purerua Peninsula, Wiroa Station, Paoneone Farm, and Mataka Station beaches were once accessible. Some of these are now in private ownership.

4.14 Annual Work Plan

- Monitoring and reporting on the implementation of the Northland CMS
- Liaising with relevant bodies (e.g. Fish & game) pertaining to interests within the NCB Jurisdiction
- Maintaining and improving relationships with other Conservation Boards; Te Hiku, Auckland.
- Actively promote pest management
- Advocate for the containment of Kauri Dieback, Myrtle Rust
- Advocate for marine protection
- Proactively work with agencies to improve water quality.
- Proactively advocate programmes related to war on weeds.
- Proactively look to increase the Board's profile by exploring new mediums for message delivery.

4.15 Financial Report




NORTHLAND CONSERVATION BOARD COSTS (12 MONTHS) 2019-2020			
	June-2020 YTD	June-2020 Full Year Budget	June-2020 Variance +/-
Expenses	Costs		
Board fees	26,204	21,620	-4,584
Koha	469		-469
Consultants Prof. Serv.	1,406	1,300	-106
Travel	2,233	1,500	-733
Printing/Communication Strategy	4,473	8,400	+3,927
Training	1,383	1,600	+217
Hospitality (Hire / Catering)	6,266	5,580	-686
Total	\$42,434	\$40,000	\$-2,434

4.16 Health & Safety

No health and safety incidents were reported by the Board in this financial year.

5. Statutory Activity

The Board made three submissions in this financial year.

-  Improvement in Whitebait Habitat
-  Partial Review on General Policy
-  Proposed National Policy Statement for Indigenous Biodiversity

5.1 Conservation Management Strategy (CMS)

The Board continues to monitor the milestones in the Northland CMS. Rather than looking at all the milestones, the board has decided to concentrate on those that are due or overdue for completion.

5.2 Management Plan

No CMP's reviewed by the Board in this financial year.

6. Advice and Advocacy

All Board members have responsibility for liaising with other groups when opportunities arise, and some members have specific liaison roles.

The Board appointed various members to liaise with other groups and agencies.

Liaison Person	Group, Agency, Organisation
Not assigned	Fish & Game Council
	Quarry Gardens, Whangarei
	Pukenui Western Hills Forest Charitable Trust
	Friends of Matakohe Limestone Island
	Whangarei Native Forest and Bird Protection Society
	Chamber of Commerce
Willie Wright	Integrated Kaipara Harbour Management Group
	Northland Regional Council
	Auckland Conservation Board
	Northland Regional Council Ngunguru Catchment Group
Luana Pirihi	Auckland Conservation Board
	Bream Bay Coastal Care Trust
	Ruakaka Ratepayers Association
	Whangarei Harbour Marine Reserve Advisory Committee
Adrienne Tari	Te Hiku Conservation Board
	Twin Coast Cycle Trails

Table IV: Liaison persons

6.1 Other Conservation Boards Liaison

- The Board has continued to strengthen its relationship with the Auckland Conservation Board and is looking to work together on certain aspects of conservation.
- The Board looks forward to continuing its working relationship with Te Hiku.

6.2 New Zealand Conservation Authority (NZCA) Liaison

The NZCA Liaison Nicole Anderson, keeps the Board updated on many issues including but not limited to:

- Predator Free 2050
- NZCA Issues and content

6.3 Department of Conservation advice

At the **August meeting** Stephen Soole, DOC Kauri Coast Operations Manager, gave a presentation titled "Kauri Coast Officer - Looking Back", giving an overview of his 12-month journey as Operations Manager. Penny Smart, Councillor for Northland Regional Council, attended the meeting and introduced three government water reforms: drinking standards, stormwater, and wastewater.

6.4 Community Visibility

The Board's Facebook Page is managed by Lydia Draper (effective 25/2019)
Here's a link: <https://www.facebook.com/NorthlandConservationBoardNZ/>

The Board maintains a presence on the Departments' website. Information on being on a Conservation Board was also developed, advertised and displayed at <http://www.doc.govt.nz/about-us/statutory-and-advisory-bodies/conservation-boards/northland/>

6.6 District and Regional Councils Advocacy and Advice

The Board appreciates the opportunity to meet with representatives of the local councils:

- ❖ Northland Regional Council Members – Rick Stolwerk & Penny Smart
- ❖ Far North District Council

6.7 Iwi Liaison and Advocacy

The Board receives iwi advice from a multitude of sources on a consistent basis.

7. Acknowledgements

Finally, the Board would like to acknowledge the following people for their support, advice and friendship in 2019 - 2020:

- ✚ Auckland Conservation Board
- ✚ Louise Wilson, Policy Planner, FNDC
- ✚ Rick Stolwerk, NRC Councillor
- ✚ Penny Smart, NRC Councillor
- ✚ Marty Robinson, NRC Councillor
- ✚ Chris Jenkins, Te Hiku o Te Ika Conservation Board Co-Chair
- ✚ Department of Conservation, Sue Reed-Thomas, Director Operations NNI
- ✚ Department of Conservation Operations Managers and Staff, Kauri Coast and Bay of Islands
- ✚ Nicole Anderson, NZCA Liaison for Northland and Te Hiku Conservation Boards
- ✚ Bream Head Conservation Trust Bill Mallet, Greg Innes and Rod Gates
- ✚ Robyn Stubbing, Minute taker



Sunrise at Mangawhai Heads. Photo: Chris Gin.

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