

Attachment C: Feedback form

Maungakiekie-Tāmaki Local Board feedback on pest management approaches proposed for the Regional Pest Management Plan.

Issue	Proposed Approach	Supports Y/N	Comment
Cats	<p>To continue management of cats in areas of high biodiversity value as part of integrated pest control but potentially for an increased number of sites.</p> <p>To provide greater certainty cats will be defined as pests in these circumstances if they are not able to be identified by microchip or other means as being owned.</p> <p>Cats will continue to be controlled on areas of public land where threatened species are being protected (regardless of whether the cats are owned or unowned). Example sites: the open sanctuaries and kokako/kiwi management area in the Hunua Ranges.</p>		
Possums	<p>Landscape scale progressive containment programme to manage possums. Rural management would be integrated with management in high value biodiversity areas. This could be achieved using a targeted rate across rural Auckland.</p>		
Widespread pest plants	<p>Site-led programme for parks with significant ecological areas to manage a suite of up to 30 pest plants per site to an extent that protects the values of the parkland. Includes use of rules in buffer areas around parkland to improve efficiency and effectiveness of pest management by achieving coordination among agencies and private landowners.</p>		
New ban of sale	<p>Phasing out the sale of approximately 50 new plant pests and 13 new animal pests in addition to those currently identified.</p>		

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Road corridor weeds	Road corridor enforcement targeted to buffers around site-led programmes to maximise effectiveness.		
Weeds on Council land	Site-led programme for parks with significant ecological areas to manage a suite of up to 30 pest plants to an extent that protects the values of the parkland.		
Feral pigs	Site-led programmes for priority parks with significant ecological areas, to manage feral pigs to an extent that protects the values of these places and reduce feral pig-mediated spread of kauri dieback.		
Wasps	Sustained control programme for the whole region. Provision of information and advice on pest animal identification, impacts, control and prevention of spread. Continue facilitating the development of improved wasp control methods that can be used by the public.		
Marine pests	Development of an inter-regional marine pathway management plan to manage spread of marine pests.		
Freshwater pest fish (such as koi carp)	Continued inclusion of pest status in proposed Regional Pest Management Plan. Increased public awareness around pathway management for freshwater pest fish across the region. Provision of information and advice on pest identification, impacts and control.		
Rats	Site-led programmes for parks with significant ecological areas and the Hauraki Gulf Controlled Area, to manage rodents to an extent that protects the values of these places. Enhanced pathway management to protect islands. Sustained control programme for the remainder of the region focusing on support for community pest control initiatives.		

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More education around pests	Provision of information and advice on pest identification, impacts and control, and increased communications around pathway management for a suite of species.		
The importance of community pest control	Provision of advice and support to community groups undertaking pest control, with priority given to activity in or around biodiversity focus areas and taking advantage of defensible landscape features such as islands and peninsulas. The plan will support the Pest Free Auckland initiative, which focuses on community empowerment.		
Impact of pests on human health	Human health and wellbeing implications included in cost benefit analysis for each pest species to inform inclusion in plan. Continue to provide education and advice regarding health and safety precautions when in contact with such pests. Propose Exclusion programme to keep giant hogweed out of the Auckland region to prevent serious health impacts which can arise from contact with this species.		