

Schedule 1 Wetland Management Areas Schedule

All provisions in this schedule are regional plan [rcp/rp].

Introduction

Wetlands have been identified as nationally threatened ecosystems that have been reduced significantly from their former extent. Wetlands are characterised as being permanently or intermittently wet areas of shallow water, with land/water margins that support a natural ecosystem of predominantly indigenous plants and animals that are adapted to wet conditions.

The provisions for wetlands listed in this schedule are in [D8 Wetland Management Areas Overlay](#). The areas are listed below and/or identified on the planning maps under the Wetland Management Areas Overlay.

This schedule has been compiled from existing information on significant freshwater wetlands in Auckland identified in publicly available documents and existing databases. These information sources include:

- Auckland Department of Conservation Management Strategy;
- Department of Conservation Sites of Special Wildlife Interest Database (sites of outstanding, high, moderate-high or moderate ranking);
- WERI (Wetlands of Ecological and Representative Importance) database;
- Regional and District Plans, including Appendix B of the Auckland Regional Policy Statement 1999;
- Protected Natural Area Programme survey reports;
- Local reports such as Waiheke Island Sites of Significance.

The schedule identification numbers are the same numbers used in Auckland Council's Natural Heritage Information Database, to enable easy cross-referencing where further information is required for a wetland.

The schedule reflects the range of wetland types in Auckland, including raupo, cabbage tree, flax, and rush and sedge swamps, kahikatea swamp forest, wetlands associated with lakes, streams and volcanic systems, and wetlands associated with freshwater-estuarine ecological sequences. The schedule contains a number of wetlands that are associated with natural lakes. The wetlands associated with these lakes have been identified separately for their ecological and wildlife values.

The schedule also contains freshwater wetlands that are associated with significant estuarine ecosystems such as the Kaipara, Waitemata and Manukau Harbours.

Table 1 Schedule of wetland management areas

ID	Name	Location	Ecological values
Kaipara Ecological Region			
222	Okahukura Peninsula Wetland	Tapora	Swamp vegetation, cabbage tree, manuka, rushes and sedges. Ecological sequence from marine to freshwater. Threatened species
809	Tapora Coast	Tapora	Rich variety of habitats including freshwater wetlands. Of national and international significance.
208	Tapora Golf Course Wetland	Tapora	Freshwater wetland formed by sand dunes. Raupo, Baumea, threatened birds.
221	Gum Store Creek Freshwater Wetland	Tapora	Mangroves, mudflats, sand banks, freshwater wetland, rich assemblage of habitats.
211	Hiki Creek Scenic Reserve	Tapora	Raupo and cabbage tree swamp on flood plain on lower slopes of area of broadleaved podocarp forest.
201	Hiki Stream Wetland	Tapora	Raupo swamp with bordering manuka scrub. Threatened species.
241	Papakanui Wetlands	South Head	Wetlands in the area have rich botanical associations and are of national significance. Rich diversity of bird life and vegetation.
242	Waionui Inlet	South Head	An important estuarine habitat with succession of plant communities between tidal flats, freshwater wetlands and dune areas. Threatened wetland birds.
254	Lagoon Road Wetland and Lake	South Head	Baumea, raupo, cabbage tree, manuka with buffer of kanuka. Habitat for threatened birds.
261	South Head Swamp	South Head	Raupo- <i>Schoenoplectus</i> reedland.
830	Kaukapakapa River	Kaukapakapa	Scattered hill forest grading into alluvial areas of kaihikatea, cabbage tree, flax and native sedges and rushes, which grades into salt marsh and mangroves. Four main areas of wetland occur along

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			river edges and associated tributaries.
Kaipara Dune Lakes Extensive system of lakes that provide habitat for a number of threatened wildlife species. These lakes are dynamic and continually changing in size and extent. The schedule includes the following lakes.			
318	Lake Kuwakatai	South Head	Lake with flax, raupo, <i>Schoenoplectus</i> sedgeland
470	Lake Okaihau	Muriwai	Lake with swamp areas dominated by raupo, with flax, <i>Juncus</i> spp. and <i>Cyperus ustulatus</i> . Swamp is contiguous with coastal forest. A valuable area for wildlife.
372	Lake Kereta	South Head	Lake with raupo reedland.
387	Lake Karaka South (1a)	South Head	Lake with swamp vegetation.
391	Lake Karaka South (2)	South Head	Lake with <i>Juncus-Cyperus ustulatus</i> rush-sedgeland.
802	Lake Karaka South (3)	South Head	Lake with <i>Juncus-Cyperus ustulatus</i> rush-sedgeland.
803	Lake Karaka Wetlands	South Head	Lake with <i>Juncus-Cyperus ustulatus</i> rush-sedgeland.
824	Lake Karaka south - unnamed lake 4b	South Head	Lake with <i>Juncus-Cyperus ustulatus</i> rush-sedgeland.
416	Lake Otakanini Topu South	South Head	Lake with swamp vegetation.
302	Lake Ototoa	South Head	Lake with <i>Schoenoplectus</i> reedland.
804	Hedley's Lake 1	South Head	Lake with swamp vegetation.
808	Lake Piripoua (South)	South Head	Lake with <i>Juncus</i> rushland.
825	Lake Te Kanae	South Head	Lake with swamp reedland.
826	Lake Kowhai	South Head	Lake with reedland.
827	Lake Poutoa	South Head	Lake with <i>Cyperus ustulatus-Carex virgata-Juncus</i> sedgeland.
392	Loop Rd Closed Game Area	South Head	Threatened wetland birds.
404	Otakanini Topu	South Head	Diversity of wetland birds.

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	Wetland		
418	Fordyce Rd Swamp	Parakai	Raupo- <i>Baumea-Schoenoplectus</i> reedland. Threatened species. High bird diversity.
373	Kaikore Creek Wetland	South Head	Raupo- <i>Schoenoplectus</i> reedland. Habitat for wetland.
427	Bradley Rd Swamp	Helensville	Large swamp with diverse vegetation communities. Manuka, cabbage tree, flax, hangehange, <i>Coprosma</i> , <i>Hebe</i> , raupo, <i>Carex</i> , <i>Juncus</i> .
348	Waioneke Head Swamp	South Head	Vegetation sequence from swamp to scrub, threatened bird species.
359	Webber's Swamp (1)	South Head	Threatened bird species.
353	Webber's Swamp Remnants (2)	South Head	Three small remnants. Threatened species.
369	Wilson's Road Swamp	South Head	Threatened species habitat.
464	Okiritoto Wetland	Muriwai	Large swamp. Diverse habitats. Nesting area.
480	Taiapa Rd Bush and Wetland	Muriwai	Habitat for threatened bird species.
Rodney Ecological District			
41	Tomarata Lake and Wetland	Te Arai	Raupo, Baumea swamp, <i>Empodisma</i> peat swamp. Threatened birds.
34 and 28	Spectacle Lake and Slipper Lake	Te Arai	Dune impounded lakes with freshwater wetland margin. Part of series of dune lakes in Pakiri.
24	Little Shag Lake	Te Arai	Lake with sedgeland border. Regenerating forest on margins.
25	Te Arai Point Little Lake	Te Arai	Dune lake surrounded by shrubland. Wetland birds.
220	Christian Bay Wetland	Tawharanui	Flax, raupo, rushes and sedges, threatened bird species.
177	Omaha Kahikatea Forest	Omaha	Rare intact sequence from salt marsh to forest. Only example of coastal kahikatea forest on sand in region. Threatened birds.

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96	Pakiri Valley Swamp Forest	Pakiri	Remnant kahikatea wetland. Intact ecotone.
159 and 164	Wayby Wetland	Wellsford	Raupo, kahikatea swamp. Threatened birds.
342	Strakas Dam	Waiwera	Artificial dam with wetland vegetation, threatened birds.
389	Te Haruhi Bay Swamp	Whangaparoa	Raupo swamp in gully surrounded by regenerating forest. Threatened birds.
810	Araparera Freshwater Wetland	Makarau	Raupo-rush-flax swamp. Threatened birds.
811	Ingelton Road Wetland	Wellsford	Swamp bordered by bush.
409	Peak Road Swamp	Helensville	Raupo, flax, manuka. Threatened birds.
Waitākere Ecological District			
492	Constabed Road Swamp	Muriwai	Long strip of raupo. Threatened birds.
478	Goldies Bush Swamp	Waitākere	Small raupo swamp with kanuka margins. Threatened bird habitat.
563	Pararaha Swamp and Stream	Huia	Relatively large area of raupo, flax, rushes and sedges. Threatened species.
529	Piha Stream Swamp	Piha	Raupo swamp. Threatened bird habitat.
573	Taranaki Bay Swamp	Huia	Part of dune lake system at foot of coastal hills. Threatened bird species.
504 and 509	Te Henga Dunes and Lakes	Te Henga (Bethells Beach)	Large area of sand dunes with several dune impounded lakes. Sequences from raupo reedland to cabbage tree to young kauri forest. Incl. Lakes Kawaupaka and Wainamu.
509	Lake Kawaupaka	Te Henga (Bethells Beach)	One of few dune lakes in region surrounded by native forest. Threatened birds. Wetland is located on margins of lake, which is also identified as a Natural Lake Management Area.
504	Lake Wainamu	Te Henga (Bethells	Deep dune lake in vegetated catchment. Threatened birds. Freshwater fish.

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		Beach)	
571	Ohaka Head lake	Huia	Dune lake. Threatened birds.
828	Te Henga Wetland	Te Henga (Bethells Beach)	Largest freshwater swamp in mainland of region. High diversity of vegetation and wildlife species. Threatened species
576	Whatipu Sands	Huia	Extensive area of vegetated sand flats, containing freshwater and saline wetlands, impounding a stretch of cliffs.
Tamaki Ecological District			
450	Lake Pupuke	Takapuna	Small areas of raupo and rushes. Wetland birds Wetland is located on margins of Lake, which is also identified as an Urban Lake Management Area.
812	Soldiers Bay	Birkenhead	Ecological sequence from mangroves sand flats-shell bank-salt marsh-freshwater swamp.
813	Chelsea reservoir	Birkenhead	Wetland vegetation on margins of reservoirs including <i>Eleocharis sphacelata</i> .
814	Western Springs	Western Springs	Wetland vegetation associated with lake, including <i>Carex secta</i> swamp
815	Tahuna-Torea	Glendowie	Complex of marine, intertidal, freshwater and terrestrial habitats.
816	Onehunga Springs	Onehunga	Groundwater springs with wetland features. Below One tree Hill lava flows.
817	Crater Hill Lake and Wetland	Onehunga	Volcanic explosion crater with freshwater lake and wetland vegetation.
819	Puhinui Reserve	Wiri	Coastal manuka, flax, cabbage tree, swamp coprosma in association with extensive shoreline saltmarsh.
Waiheke Island - Inner Gulf Islands			
481	Awaawaroa Bay	Waiheke Island	Vegetation sequence from mangrove-saltmarsh-freshwater wetland. Large number of wading birds.
452	Awaawaroa Stream Wetlands	Waiheke Island	One of best raupo wetlands in island. Threatened birds.

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469	Putiki Bay	Waiheke Island	Ecological sequence from saline to freshwater wetlands. Threatened birds.
487	Rocky Bay Wetland	Waiheke Island	One of best saline and freshwater wetlands on island. Vegetation sequence. Threatened birds.
482	Te Matuku Bay	Waiheke Island	The most important wader habitat on island. Best vegetation sequence from saline- freshwater-terrestrial on island. Threatened birds.
820	Ponui Island	Ponui Island	Freshwater wetlands in gully systems. Threatened birds.
Great Barrier Island			
108	Blackwells Creek	Great Barrier Island	Tidal stream and wetlands. Threatened birds.
101	Claris South Swamp	Great Barrier Island	Manuka, raupo, tall sedge. Threatened birds.
97	Grandstand Swamp	Great Barrier Island	Freshwater swamp enclosed with manuka. Threatened birds.
74	Kaitoke Swamp	Great Barrier Island	Most significant and largest freshwater wetland in region. Vegetation sequences. Threatened species. Internationally significant.
111	Sugarloaf Creek (Medlands Beach North Creek)	Great Barrier Island	Freshwater and tidal stream and wetlands. Threatened birds.
120	Oruawharo Stream	Great Barrier Island	Stream margins, rushes, sedges, manuka, threatened birds.
22	Mabeys Road Swamp	Great Barrier Island	Raupo surrounded by manuka. Once more extensive. Threatened birds.
7	Mabey's Farm Stream	Great Barrier Island	Tidal stream with wetland vegetation. Threatened birds.
3	Motairehe Bay and Swamp	Great Barrier Island	Tidal stream linking with freshwater swamp. Threatened birds.
10	Whangapoua Estuary	Great Barrier Island	One of least modified estuaries in NZ. Sequence from saline-freshwater wetland- manuka scrub. High bird species richness. Internationally

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			significant.
54	Awana Stream	Great Barrier Island	Stream margins, kanuka, manuka, threatened birds
37	Harataonga Stream	Great Barrier Island	Threatened birds.
150	Tryphena Stream	Great Barrier Island	Tidal stream. Threatened birds.
Awhitu Ecological District			
591	Boiler Gully Swamp	Manukau Heads	Raupo, swamp maire, manuka. Intact forest-wetland sequences. Threatened bird habitat.
691	Lake Whatihua	Waiuku	Raupo, rushes and sedges. Threatened birds.
635 and 640 and 642	Pehiakura Lakes	Pollock	Two lakes with raupo, <i>Baumea</i> . Wetland birds.
612	Awhitu Regional Park Wetlands	Awhitu	Saline-freshwater wetland sequences. Threatened birds.
581	Big Bay Estuary and Wetland	Manukau Heads	Manuka swamp in association with estuarine ecosystem. Threatened birds.
650	Lake Pokorua	Pollock	Largest dune lake on peninsula. Significant wetland vegetation. Threatened birds.
Manukau Ecological District			
653	Patumahoe Road Swamp	Patumahoe	Diverse habitat. Raupo, <i>Carex</i> .
616	Don Urquarts Swamp	Karaka	Raupo swamp. Threatened bird habitat.
627	Whangapouri Pond	Karaka	Raupo swamp. Wetland bird habitat
821	Kidd Road Wetland	Karaka	Raupo swamp. Threatened bird habitat.
829	Hunter Road Wetland	Patumahoe	Raupo, flax, <i>Carex secta</i> , kahikatea wetland. Threatened bird species.

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Hunua Ecological District			
823	Hattaway Raupo	Whitford	Dense raupo backing onto mangrove saltmarsh. Wildlife habitat.
597	Hunua Road Dam (Hay's Creek Reservoir)	Hunua	Wetland bird habitat.
562	Harrison's Flax Swamp	Clevedon	Flax swamp. Wetland plant diversity. Threatened birds.
559	Sharpe's Raupo	Clevedon	Long thin raupo swamp. Wetland bird habitat.
588	Oram's Road Wetland	Clevedon	Best lowland raupo, kiokio wetland in district. Threatened birds.
822	Whakatiwai Wetlands	Whakatiwai	Coastal cabbage tree-raupo-sedge wetland vegetation associated with gravel ridges.