

**From:** Robert Rose  
**Sent:** Friday, 4 April 2025 1:57 pm  
**To:** Frances Walsh  
**Cc:** Wendy Thompson  
**Subject:** RE: Pukepuke Lagoon; resolving WA-219 issues  
**Attachments:** Pukepuke Lagoon Vegetation Removal Plan..pdf

Kia ora Frances

I will start work on the management plan next week. A large proportion of this will come from the vegetation removal plan and comments from the base line assessment. The baseline assessment will be attached to the management plan as a support document. In addition to this we have asked for the baseline assessment to include recommendations around ongoing control.

The attached plan has comments around the three main points in your email to give assurance that it is being considered carefully as part of the vegetation clearance, baseline assessments and ongoing management.

- We are commencing the baseline assessment on Monday next week. After this I will incorporate the key findings into the Management Plan.
- In the attached vegetation removal plan, I have highlighted that going forward the annual plan must provide information about the need to undertake vegetation clearance in the inlet, outlet or perimeter drain to enable a decision around authorising vegetation clearance to be made. This will be incorporated into the management plan.
- In relation to the fish passage I have indicated that the rocks should be placed back at the top of the fish passage. This will be a standard requirement going forward as some of the rocks will be difficult to move by hand.

If you have any questions about the attached report or the intended baseline assessment, please don't hesitate to ask.

Ngā mihi

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Kia ora tātou

Thank you team for agreeing to the monitoring and mechanical clearance to be undertaken by MDC before the end of the month. Robert is working on getting things into place, firstly with the monitoring which will be followed up with the clearance.

I'm just checking now to understand whether you support a full lifting of the suspension, rather than a temporary one. A full lifting of the suspension means we can continue with the mahi as it needs to happen and there is some certainty around expectations on both MDC and DOC.

Based on our hui from last week, an "improved" update of the MDC environmental monitoring plan (related only to the concession) would include:

- More detail around the monitoring activity going forward subsequent to the baseline which we've outlined must be written into the updated plan.
- The requirement for ongoing vegetation clearance to be monitored and status of the weed growth reported annually (with decisions made from the report).
- Maintenance of the weir and fish pass to be written into an annual plan (although current fish pass will be reshaped during the clearance mahi).

Please can you let me know if you are happy for us to recommend to Moana that we fully lift the suspension, or if you prefer we temporarily lift it to enable only the monitoring and clearance. Either way, I'll be putting the recommendation to her next week.

Happy to field any questions or add more detail to the requirements above if needed.

Thanks.

Ngā mihi

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Kia ora tātou

Firstly, I want to acknowledge that Te Tūmatakahuki did not manage to get any representatives to our hui on Tuesday. As we did not have time to reschedule the hui, it went ahead.

Please find attached the minutes outlining the discussions, some photos of what we saw when we went to Pukepuke, and the resolutions that we arrived at. Please let me know if any edits are required.

Neville / Reihana:

- There are some resolutions that we would like your thoughts or support on:
  - That MDC undertake a baseline monitoring within the next couple of weeks.
  - That MDC undertake a mechanical clearance (after the baseline monitoring) of the inlet and outlet drains before the end of April.
- The information that helped us get to that point is outlined in the minutes, but I'm very happy to talk you through it.
- We're hoping to understand your position by 1<sup>st</sup> April so we can confirm that the activities can go ahead.

[Debbie], [Chris / Leanne], [Neville / Reihana]:

- I've attempted to pull together our kōrero and findings from the site visit into some cohesive background aligned to the requirements of the concession.
- With support for the baseline monitoring and first clearance, I will seek at least a temporary unsuspension from Moana.
- However, it seems to me that an improved plan (which Robert will work on) supports the full lifting of the suspension, which also enables better planning for us all.
- Please can you let me know if you support full lifting of the suspension.

I look forward to hearing from you, but will chase up next week.

Please come back to me if you have any questions or concerns.

Ngā mihi

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-----Original Appointment-----

**From:** Frances Walsh

**Sent:** Monday, 17 February 2025 4:45 pm

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**Cc:** Kelly Hancock; Hamish Waugh; Adam Jamieson; Wiremu Greening

**Subject:** Pukepuke Lagoon; resolving WA-219 issues

**When:** Tuesday, 25 March 2025 10:00 am-3:00 pm (UTC+12:00) Auckland, Wellington.

**Where:** Microsoft Teams Meeting

Aroha mai, trying this date as Wednesday's not a good day.

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Kia ora tātou

This is a reschedule from 18/02/25. It's a hui for iwi, DOC and MDC to come together to discuss and resolve some of the issues at Pukepuke Lagoon. We are looking to clarify what is required to have the suspension lifted, and in what ways management of the concession can contribute to the broader objective of restoring the lagoon to a healthy, functioning state. The larger landscape scale programme of work is outlined in the Pukepuke Lagoon Natural Heritage Plan (and we will start trying to progress this) – but here particularly, we are zooming in on the easement/drainage concession.

At DOC office, 28 North Street, Palmerston North:

10am: Welcome, mihi, kōrero about onsite issues, particularly in relation to WA-219 drainage easement concession:

- WA-219 concession:
  - What issues have been/are being caused by how this concession is managed
  - What do we need to see being done to resolve or mitigate those issues
  - What must happen in order for the group to support a lifting of the suspension
  - If suspension is lifted, what is the proposed order of action and timeframe or deadline
- Wider lagoon landscape:

- What issues do we have/have we seen around the lagoon (lagoon-wide, landscape scale); and how are these affected by the management of the concession
  - What other issues are there – are they all covered by the Pukepuke Natural Heritage Plan
  - Plan travel around the site, and what we'll look at.
- 12.30pm: travel to Pukepuke Lagoon

At Pukepuke Lagoon:

1.15pm: arrive Pukepuke Lagoon

- Travel around the site as planned, must eyeball actual issues:
  - Outline the issue(s)
  - Outline the discussed resolution/mitigation
  - Agree the proposed action and timeframe/deadline

Hoping this works but we'll just have another crack at finding a good day/time if it doesn't.

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