# **Vegetation and Flora of Waikereru Ecosanctuary**

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Figure 1. Forest margin of Longbush Reserve/Waikereru.

## INTRODUCTION

Waikereru Ecosanctuary/ is located 6.5 kms north of Gisborne. The Waimata River runs past the east of the property. Waikereru forms part of an extensive tract of hill country and lies within the Waiapu Ecological District (McEwen 1987). The riverside bush and the hills are protected by QEII National Trust covenants, with several other large QEII covenanted blocks nearby on neighbouring properties across the western ridge. The Gisborne area has been relatively little surveyed but supports a range of biodiversity (McEwen 1987; Smale et al. 2013).

## Geology

The Waiapu Ecological District consists mostly of late Cenozoic (Miocene-Pliocene) mudstone-sandstone hill country with unstable Eocene, Paleaocene and late Cretaceous indurated siltstone (McEwen 1987). Waikereru comprises mostly moderately steeply dissected hill country on undifferentiated, fossiliferous mudstone (papa) and tuffaceous sandstone (Smale et al. 2013) and on the valley floor, Quaternary fan gravels and alluvium with some tephra coverbeds on the more elevated and older surfaces that have not been inundated by flood deposits since European settlement (Smale et al. 2013; Mazengarb & Speden 2000).

## **METHODS**

A vegetation and floristic survey was carried out at Waikereru over the period  $24^{th} - 28^{th}$  January 2022. The site was traversed on foot, a list of vascular plant species recorded, a species list compiled, and vegetation types mapped.

## RESULTS

## Vegetation

Before European settlement, most of Waiapu Ecological District comprised hill country forest, mainly podocarp/broadleaved forest, with red beech and silver beech forest on higher land and local black beech at lower altitudes. Kahikatea-dominated podocarp forest was widespread on alluvial flats and semicoastal and coastal forest towards the coast (McEwen 1987). The ecological district has been highly modified, much of it now farmed (semi-extensive sheep and cattle) with increasing exotic forestry plantations on severely eroded country; only rare indigenous forest remains. Waikereru hosts a few remnant podocarp trees, a relatively large alluvial forest remnant and inland forest remnants in sheltered gullies. Other dominant vegetation types include exotic pasture, regenerating kānuka (Kunzea robusta) forest and inland semicoastal broadleaved remnants of ngaio (*Myoporum laetum*) and puriri (*Vitex lucens*) in gullies sheltered from frosts. Longbush/Waikereru Ecosanctuary has been retired from farming since 2000 and left to regenerate in natural vegetation, supplemented by some native plantings. As a result of mammalian browse, especially by feral goats (Capra hircus), some palatable native species including karamū (Coprosma robusta), hebes (Veronica sp.) and whauwhaupaku/five finger (Pseudopanax arboreus) are largely confined to cliffs out of reach of browsers. In total 277 vascular plant taxa have been reported from Waikereru, including 136 native (41) or endemic (95) plant species and 77 exotic plant species.



Figure 2. Vegetation map of Waikereru with alluvium (A) and three catchments (B-D) (Google maps, 2022).

## Mycorrhizal communities

Three different mycorrhizal communities are prominent at Waikereru, the first being the arbuscular mycorrhizal community of the exotic pasture. This is being outcompeted by the natural succession into the kānuka forest which hosts ectomycorrhizal relationships, grading into the expanding native podocarp/broadleaved forest remnants which host arbuscular mycorrhiza relations, historically the most common mycorrhizal community in the North Island.

## Longbush/Waikereru Alluvial Forest (A)

The alluvial forest of Longbush is a regionally significant remnant (polygon A of Figure 2), as similar forest has been mostly cleared in the district. The forest consists of 1.16 kms of remnant forest along the Waimata River. The broadleaved species tawa (*Beilschmiedia tawa*) dominates most of the forest canopy with occasionally kohekohe (*Didymocheton spectabilis*) (Figure 3). The understorey is thick with kawakawa (*Piper excelsum*), indicative of regrowth after the removal of cattle grazing. The forest floor has localized patches of the fern *Lastreopsis microsora* subsp. *pentangularis* (Figure 4), mokimoki (*Dendroconche scandens*) and other ground ferns.

The northern end of the forest hosts a podocarp forest remnant of kahikatea (*Dacrycarpus dacrydioides*) (Figure 5) with a ground cover of both the exotic grey sedge (*Carex divulsa*) and the endemic *Carex lambertiana* (Figure 6). A very large potentially record-breaking cabbage tree (*Cordyline australis*) is present in the alluvial forest, estimated to be around 17.5m tall (Figure 7). A large hinau (*Elaeocarpus dentatus* var. *dentatus*) occurs beside the fenceline.

There are a few small invasive weed infestations in the forest including sycamore (*Acer pseudoplatanus*) and large-leaved cotoneaster (*Cotoneaster glaucophyllus*) along the margin. Horsetail (*Equisetum arvense*) was noted on a neighbouring propertyand a large infestation of tradescantia (*Tradescantia fluminensis*) on the stream banks at the southern end of the block where Waikereru meets the neighbouring unfenced forest remnants.



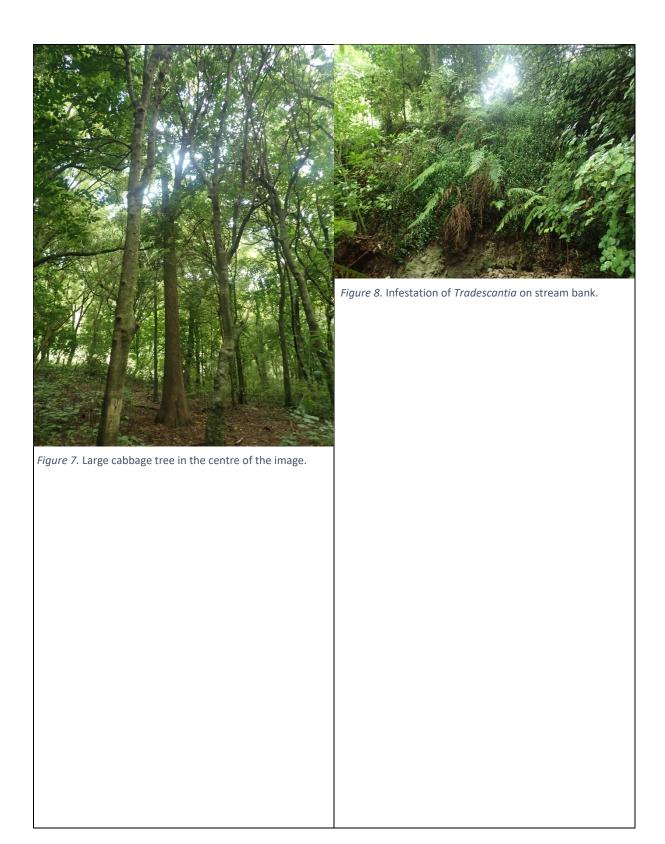
Figure 3. Forest structure through a light well.

Figure 4. Large patch of the fern Lastreopsis microsora subsp. pentangularis on the forest floor.



Figure 5. Forest margin of alluvial kahikatea forest on road edge.

Figure 6. Understorey of kahikatea forest dominated by Carex.



## Longbush/Waikereru Southern catchment (B)

The southern catchment of Waikereru consists mostly of kānuka regeneration with some kohekohe, tawa and tītoki (*Alectryon excelsus* subsp. *excelsus*) forest remnants. Kānuka is common on ridge faces (Figure 9) where it is outcompeting rank pasture. On drier ridges, the introduced grass *Rytidosperma racemosum* dominates the understorey with the native weeping bush grass/patiti (*Microlaena stipoides*) in more shaded areas. Also covering the ground are the mosses *Acrocladium chlamydophyllum*, *Breutelia pendula*, *Hypnum cupressiforme* and *Ptychomnion aciculare*. In more sheltered gullies, kānuka forest has an understorey of māhoe (*Melicytus ramiflorus*), hangehange (*Geniostoma ligustrifolium* var. *ligustrifolium*) and kawakawa (Figure 10), with occasional kohekohe seedlings (Figure 11).

Remnant forest stands include titoki and tawa with kohuhu (*Pittosporum tenuifolium*) on the margins. Small stands of kohekohe are present with a sparse understorey (Figure 12), with some large trees (Figure 13). Nīkau (*Rhopalostylis sapida*) and miro (*Pectinopitys ferruginea*) are also present in some of the deeper gullies

Some infestations of invasive weeds are present. Patches of old man's beard (*Clematis vitalba*) were noted in flower on the upper slopes, patches of blackberry (*Rubus armeniacus* and *R. ulmifolius*) are present in the rank pasture (Figure 14) and occasional pine (*Pinus radiata*) seedlings are present along the southern fence line.





Figure 11. Dense kohekohe seedlings under kānuka.

Figure 12. Sparse understorey of kohekohe remnant.



 $\label{lem:figure 13.} \textit{Large remnant kohekohe tree on sheltered slope}.$ 

## Longbush/Waikereru Middle catchment (C)

The middle catchment is dominated by kānuka on north-facing slopes (Figure 15) and native broadleaved scrub on south-facing ones (Figure 16). Lower slopes are covered by a canopy of kānuka with an understorey of kawakawa. Native ferns line the stream edge with the moss *Achrophyllum dentatum* and *Hypopterygium* sp. (Figure 17). Occasional mature titoki occur along the stream edge, remnants of broadleaved riparian forest. The kānuka forest ground layer grades into weeping bush grass up the slopes. A variety of nitrogen-fixing cyanobacteria lichens such as *Peltigera* sp. carpet the ground. The shrubby gullies are mostly made up of tree tutu (*Coriaria arborea* var. *arborea*) and mahoe with a kawakawa understorey (Figure 18).

Ridges are covered in grassland (Figure 19) dominated by plume grass (*Dichelachne crinita*), *Rytidosperma* sp. and sweet vernal (*Anthoxanthum odoratum*) with the weedy herbs Mexican daisy (*Erigeron karvinskianus*) and yellow flax (*Linum trigynum*) (Figure 20). The moss *Hypnum cupressiforme*, apple moss (*Philonotis tenuis*) and multiple *Cladonia* species. (Figure 21) cover exposed ground. Other slopes host rank pasture dominated by browntop (*Agrostis capillaris*), cocksfoot (*Dactylis glomerata*), Yorkshire fog (*Holcus lanatus*) and creeping buttercup (*Ranunculus repens*), with lotus (*Lotus pedunculatus*) abundant on damper sites.

The upper reaches of the middle catchment are dominated by broadleaved shrubs with forest remnants of kohekohe, horoeka (*Pseudopanax crassifolius*) and kohuhu (Figure 16 & 22), horoeka being prominent on the forest margins. Occasional titoki occurs in the canopy with an understorey of kawakawa and shieldfern (*Polystichum neozelandicum*) and maidenhair (*Adiantum cunninghamii*) on the ground (Figure 23). A large ngaio tree is also present (Figure 24). Upper ridge kānuka forest has an understorey of putaputāwētā (*Carpodetus serratus*) and *Coprosma rhamnoides* with patches of tree tutu in full sun (Figure 25). Patches of blackberry are present throughout (Figure 26).



 $\label{eq:Figure 15.} \textit{North-facing} - \textit{middle catchment covered in } \\ \textit{k$\bar{a}$nuka regeneration}.$ 

Figure 16. South-facing – middle catchment covered in regenerating native broadleaved scrub.

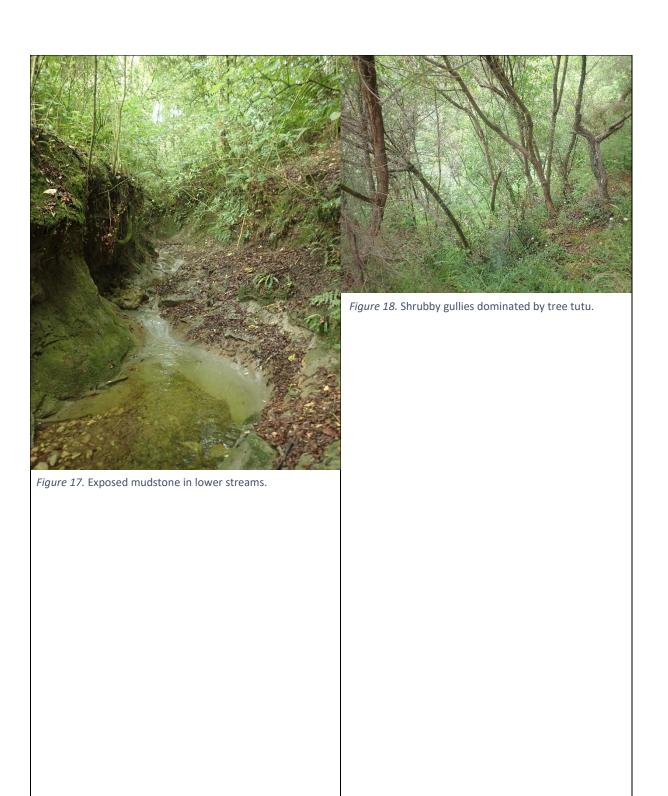




Figure 19. View south from main ridge showing exotic grassland amongst kānuka regeneration.



Figure 20. Dry grassland on north-facing ridge.





Figure 12. Forest understorey of remnant.



Figure 13. Large remnant ngaio.



Figure 25. Coprosma rhamnoides under kānuka on ridges.

## Longbush /Waikereru Northern catchment (D)

The south-facing slopes of the northern catchment of Waikereru host broadleaved shrubland (Figures 27 & 28). Two large mataī (*Prumnopitys taxifolia*) where noted in the gully (Figure 29) as well as a small tawa remnant (Figure 30) with a sandstone fern-lined stream (Figure 31). The upper area is dominated by kanuka with an understorey of ponga (*Cyathea dealbata*) and mamaku (*Cyathea medullaris*) (Figures 32 & 33).

There are local weed infestations in the lower reaches of the northern catchment, including a large patch of old man's beard (Figure 34), scattered blackberry and isolated patches of Japanese honeysuckle (*Lonicera japonica*). Tutsan (*Hypericum androsaemum*) is local along the stream and a few plants of pampas (*Cortaderia* sp.) where noted in the gullies.

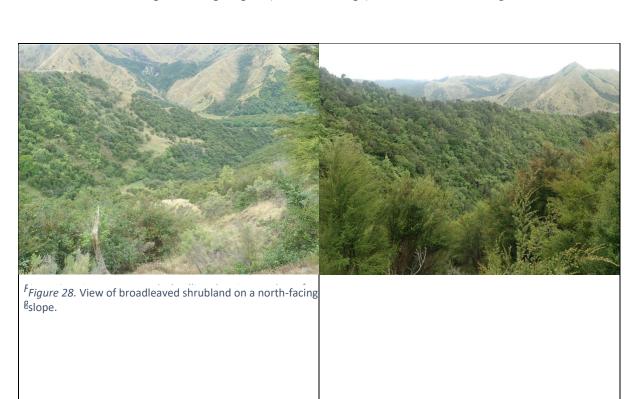






Figure 31. Sandstone stream with ferns.



Figure 33. Understorey of upper kānuka forest.

Figure 34. Large vines of old man's beard covering tree.

#### **Plants of interest:**

- One plant At Risk species Naturally Uncommon Wairoa koromiko (*Veronica tairawhiti*) was found cliff side with a patch of *Jovellana sinclairii* (Figure 35). Wairoa koromiko is a localised endemic of East Cape region.
- The At Risk Declining native herb *Jovellana sinclairii* was locally common forming large patches, competing against the aggressive Mexican daisy (present in catchments C & D in Figure 2) (Figures 36 & 37). A few late flowers were noted.
- The Data Deficient vine *Muehlenbeckia complexa* var. *grandifolia* was locally present on steep slopes, occasionally in flower (Figure 38).
- The At Risk Naturally Uncommon fennel-leaved pondweed *Stuckenia pectinata* was a common water weed submerged in the Waimata River (Figure 39).

All six members of the Myrtaceae family recorded at the Waikereru are classified currently as Threatened or At Risk because of the threat of myrtle rust (*Austropuccinia psidii*) (de Lange et al. 2018a).

- Mānuka is classified as At Risk-Declining.
- Three members of the genus *Metrosideros* (rātā) and kānuka/rawirinui are classified as Threatened-Nationally
- Rōhutu (*Lophomyrtus obcordata*) is classified as Threatened Nationally Critical. A few trees were seen in the alluvial forest (A) and some large plants in catchment C (Figure 40). Some of the planted rōhutu trees close to the dwelling were noted with infections of myrtle rust (Figure 41).



 $\label{lem:figure 35} \textit{Figure 35}. \ \ \text{Wairoa koromiko growing on steep face, mostly finished flowering.}$ 

Figure 36. A patch of Jovellana sinclairii competing against Mexican daisy.





Figure 39. Stuckenia pectinata growing submerged in the Waimata River.

Figure 40. A large specimen of rōhutu.



Figure 41. A planted rohutu infected with myrtle rust on the new growth.

#### Lichens

Waikereru hosts a diversity of habitats for lichens. Of the 80 lichen species recorded, many species are 'At Risk' (de Lange et al. 2018b). These include:

- The three Data Deficient species: *Chrysothrix xanthina*, *Cladonia polycarpoides* and *Hypogymnia pulchrilobata*.
- Nine Naturally Uncommon species: Crocodia poculifera, Gabura fasciculare var. fasciculare, Leptogium coralloideum, Heterodermia casarettiana, Parmotrema subtinctorium, Pseudocyphellaria bartlettii, Pseudocyphellaria haywardiorum, Pseudocyphellaria intricata and Sticta babingtonii.

#### Fauna

During the fieldwork a range of native bird species were seen. They included the endemic species:

- Korimako/bellbird (*Anthornis melanura*).
- Kukupa (*Hemiphaga novaeseelandiae*)
- Miromiro/ North Island tomtit (*Petroica macrocephala* subsp. toitoi).
- Pūtangitangi/paradise shelduck (*Tadorna variegata*).
- Tirairaka/North Island fantail (*Rhipidura fuliginosa* subsp. *placabilis*).
- Tūī /kōkō (*Prosthemadera novaeseelandiae*).

## Native species

- Kāhu/swamp harrier (*Circus approximans*)
- Karoro/southern black-backed gull (*Larus dominicanus* subsp. *dominicanus*).
- Ruru/morepork (*Ninox novaeseelandiae*).
- Tauhou/silvereye/waxeye (*Zosterops lateralis*).
- Warou/welcome swallow (*Hirundo neoxena*).

## Other fauna species seen were:

- The endemic chorus cicada (*Amphipsalta zelandica*) was calling loudly throughout the forest.
- The native locust (*Locusta migratoria*) was occasionally seen in grassland.
- The endemic stick insect *Clitarchus hookeri* was noted in riparian forest.
- The endemic tiger beetle (*Neocicindela tuberculata*) was local on steep banks.

#### **Pest species:**

- Four feral goats were seen during surveys: one billy, one nanny and two kids.
- Feral pig (Sus scrofa) sign was local.
- Possum sign (browsing and scat) was seen throughout.
- Rabbit (*Orytolagus cuniculus*) sign was local throughout.

It is highly likely that rats (*Rattus* sp.) and feral cats (*Felis catus*) are also present, even with the extensive pest control undertaken at Waikereru.

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## **APPENDIX 1**

## LIST OF VASCULAR PLANT SPECIES RECORDED AT WAIKERERU

sp. = species subsp. = sub-species var. = variety x = hybrid syn. = synonym plt = planted

| Class            | Scientific name                            | Common Name         | Status  |
|------------------|--|---------------------|---------|
| Ferns and Allies | Adiantum cunninghamii                      | common maidenhair   | Endemic |
| Ferns and Allies | Adiantum diaphanum                         | small maidenhair    | Native  |
| Ferns and Allies | Adiantum fulvum                            | maidenhair          | Endemic |
| Ferns and Allies | Adiantum hispidulum                        | rosy maidenhair     | Native  |
| Ferns and Allies | Adiantum raddianum                         | maidenhair          | Exotic  |
| Ferns and Allies | Arthropteris tenella                       | jointed fern        | Native  |
| Ferns and Allies | Asplenium bulbiferum                       | pikopiko            | Endemic |
| Ferns and Allies | Asplenium flaccidum                        | hanging spleenwort  | Native  |
| Ferns and Allies | Asplenium gracillimum                      |                     | Native  |
| Ferns and Allies | Asplenium hookerianum                      | Hooker's spleenwort | Native  |
| Ferns and Allies | Asplenium oblongifolium                    | huruhuruwhenua      | Endemic |
| Ferns and Allies | Asplenium polyodon                         | sickle spleenwort   | Native  |
| Ferns and Allies | Austroblechnum lanceolatum                 | rereti              | Native  |
| Ferns and Allies | Austroblechnum membranaceum                |                     | Endemic |
| Ferns and Allies | Azolla rubra                               |                     | Native  |
| Ferns and Allies | Cranfillia fluviatilis                     | kiwakiwa            | Endemic |
| Ferns and Allies | Cyathea dealbata                           | ponga               | Endemic |
| Ferns and Allies | Cyathea medullaris                         | mamaku              | Native  |
| Ferns and Allies | Dendroconche scandens                      | mokimoki            | Native  |
| Ferns and Allies | Diplazium australe                         |                     | Native  |
| Ferns and Allies | Doodia australis                           | rasp fern           | Native  |
| Ferns and Allies | Equisetum arvense                          | horsetail           | Exotic  |
| Ferns and Allies | Histiopteris incisa                        | mātā                | Native  |
| Ferns and Allies | Hypolepis ambigua                          | pig fern            | Endemic |
| Ferns and Allies | Icarus filiformis                          | thread fern         | Endemic |
| Ferns and Allies | Lastreopsis glabella                       | smooth shieldfern   | Endemic |
| Ferns and Allies | Lastreopsis hispida                        | hairy fern          | Endemic |
| Ferns and Allies | Lastreopsis microsora subsp. pentangularis |                     | Endemic |
| Ferns and Allies | Lomaria discolor                           | petipeti            | Endemic |
| Ferns and Allies | Paesia scaberula                           | ringfern            | Endemic |
| Ferns and Allies | Parablechnum novae-zelandiae               | kiokio              | Endemic |
| Ferns and Allies | Parablechnum triangularifolium             | kiokio              | Endemic |
| Ferns and Allies | Pellaea rotundifolia                       | button fern         | Native  |

| Class            | Scientific name                                    | Common Name         | Status |
|------------------|--|---------------------|--------|
| Ferns and Allies | Pakau pennigera (Syn.<br>Pneumatopteris pennigera) | piupiu              | Native |
| Ferns and Allies | Polystichum neozelandicum                          | shieldfern          | Endemi |
| Ferns and Allies | Polystichum wawranum                               |                     | Endemi |
| Ferns and Allies | Pteridium esculentum                               | rarauhe             | Native |
| Ferns and Allies | Pteris macilenta                                   | sweet fern          | Endemi |
| Ferns and Allies | Pteris tremula                                     | shaking brake       | Native |
| Ferns and Allies | Pyrrosia elaeagnifolia                             | leatherleaf fern    | Endemi |
| Ferns and Allies | Zealandia pustulata subsp.<br>pustulata            | kowaowao            | Native |
| Gymnosperms      | Agathis australis plt                              | kauri               | Endemi |
| Gymnosperms      | Dacrycarpus dacrydioides                           | kahikatea           | Endemi |
| Gymnosperms      | Dacrydium cupressinum                              | rimu                | Endemi |
| Gymnosperms      | Pectinopitys ferruginea                            | miro                | Endemi |
| Gymnosperms      | Prumnopitys taxifolia                              | mataī               | Endemi |
| Gymnosperms      | Podocarpus totara var. totara                      | tōtara              | Endemi |
| Eudicots         | Acaena anserinifolia                               | piripiri            | Endemi |
| Eudicots         | Acaena novae-zelandiae                             | piripiri            | Native |
| Eudiocts         | Acer pseudoplatanus                                | sycamore            | Exotic |
| Eudicots         | Alectryon excelsus subsp. excelsus                 | tītoki              | Endemi |
| Eudicots         | Alnus glutinosa                                    | black alder         | Exotic |
| Eudicots         | Amaranthus blitum                                  | amaranth            | Exotic |
| Eudicots         | Amaranthus deflexus                                | prostrate amaranth  | Exotic |
| Eudicots         | Arabidopsis thaliana                               | thale cress         | Exotic |
| Eudicots         | Aristotelia serrata                                | makomako, wineberry | Endemi |
| Eudicots         | Beilschmiedia tawa                                 | tawa                | Endemi |
| Eudicots         | Brachyglottis repanda                              | rangiora            | Endemi |
| Eudicots         | Callitriche stagnalis                              | pond water-starwort | Exotic |
| Eudiocts         | Calystegia silvatica subsp.<br>disjuncta           | bindweed            | Exotic |
| Eudicots         | Calystegia tuguriorum                              | NZ bindweed         | Native |
| Eudiocts         | Capsella bursa-pastoris                            | shepherd's purse    | Exotic |
| Eudicots         | Cardamine forsteri                                 | bittercress         | Endemi |
| Eudicots         | Carpodetus serratus                                | putaputāwētā        | Endemi |
| Eudicots         | Cerastium glomeratum                               | chickweed           | Exotic |
| Eudicots         | Chamaemelum nobile                                 | chamomile           | Exotic |
| Eudicots         | Cirsium arvense                                    | Californian thistle | Exotic |
| Eudicots         | Cirsium vulgare                                    | Scotch thistle      | Exotic |
| Eudicots         | Clematis cunninghamii                              |                     | Endemi |
| Eudicots         | Clematis paniculata                                | puawhananga         | Endemi |
| Eudicots         | Clematis vitalba                                   | old man's beard     | Exotic |
| Eudicots         | Coprosma lucida                                    | shining karamu      | Endemi |
| Eudicots         | Coprosma rhamnoides                                | twiggy coprosma     | Endemi |
| Eudicots         | Coprosma robusta                                   | karamu              | Endemi |
| Eudicots         | Coriaria arborea var. arborea                      | tree tutu           | Endemi |
| Eudicots         | Corynocarpus laevigatus                            | karaka              | Endemi |

| Class    | Scientific name   | Common Name                | Status  |
|----------|---|----------------------------|---------|
| Eudicots | Daucus carota   | wild carrot                | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Delairea odorata  | German ivy                 | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Dichondra brevifolia  |                            | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Dichondra repens  | Mercury Bay weed           | Native  |
| Eudiocts | Didymocheton spectabilis (Syn.<br>Dysoxylum spectabile)           | kohekohe                   | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Digitalis purpurea  | foxglove                   | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Dipsacus fullonum   | wild teasel                | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Dysphania ambrosioides  | Mexican tea                | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Dysphania pumilio   | clammy goosefoot           | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Elaeocarpus dentatus var.<br>dentatus                             | hinau                      | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Entelea arborescens   | whau                       | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Epilobium cinereum  | willowherb                 | Native  |
| Eudicots | Epilobium nerteroides   | willowherb                 | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Epilobium nummulariifolium  | creeping willowherb        | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Epilobium rotundifolium   | round-leaved<br>willowherb | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Euchiton japonicus  |                            | Native  |
| Eudicots | Euphorbia peplus  | petty spurge               | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Erechtites hieraciifolius   | American fireweed          | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Erigeron karvinskianus  | Mexican daisy              | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Erigeron sumatrensis  | fleabane                   | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Ficus carica  | fig                        | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Foeniculum vulgare  | fennel                     | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Fuchsia excorticata   | kotukutuku                 | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Galium divaricatum  | Lamarck's bedstraw         | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Geniostoma ligustrifolium var.<br>ligustrifolium                  | hangehange                 | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Geranium gardneri   | gardner's geranium         | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Gernaium homanum  |                            | Native  |
| Eudicots | Geranium molle  | dove's-foot crane'sbill    | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Geranium potentilloides   |                            | Native  |
| Eudicots | Geranium robertianum  | herb Robert                | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Jovellana sinclairii  | New Zealand calceolaria    | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Haloragis erecta subsp. erecta                                    | toatoa                     | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Hebe stricta var. stricta (Syn.<br>Veronica stricta var. stricta) | koromiko                   | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Hebe tairawhiti (Syn. Veronica tairawhiti)                        | Wairoa koromiko            | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Helminthotheca echioides  | bristly oxtongue           | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Hydrocotyle elongata  | -                          | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Hydrocotyle moschata var.<br>moschata                             | hairy pennywort            | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Hydrocotyle moschata var.<br>parvifolia                           | pennywort                  | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Hypericum androsaemum   | tutsan                     | Exotic  |

| Class    | Scientific name                            | Common Name             | Status  |
|----------|--|-------------------------|---------|
| Eudicots | Hypericum humifusum                        | trailing St John's wort | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Hedycarya arborea                          | porokaiwhiri            | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Hoheria sexstylosa                         | houhere                 | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Kunzea robusta                             | kānuka                  | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Lapsana communis                           | nipplewort              | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Laurelia novae-zelandiae                   | pukatea                 | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Lepidium didymum                           | twin cress              | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | <i>Lepidium</i> sp.                        |                         | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Leptospermum scoparium agg.                | mānuka                  | Native  |
| Eudicots | Leucanthemum vulgare                       | oxeye daisy             | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Leucopogon fasciculatus                    | mingimingi              | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Linum bienne                               | pale flax               | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Linum trigynum                             | yellow flax             | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Lonicera japonica                          | Japanese honeysuckle    | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Lophomyrtus obcordata                      | rōhutu                  | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Lotus pedunculatus                         | lotus                   | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Melicope ×mantellii                        |                         | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Medicago lupulina                          | black medick            | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Melicope ternata plt                       | whārangi                | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Melicytus ramiflorus subsp. ramiflorus     | māhoe                   | Endemic |
| Eudicots | <i>Mentha</i> sp.                          |                         | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Metrosideros colensoi                      | rātā                    | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Metrosideros diffusa                       | white rātā              | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Metrosideros perforata                     | akatea                  | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Modiola caroliniana                        | creeping mallow         | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Muehlenbeckia australis                    | pohuehue                | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Muehlenbeckia complexa var.<br>grandifolia | pohuehue                | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Myoporum laetum                            | ngaio<br>-              | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Myrsine australis                          | māpou                   | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Nasturtium officinale                      | watercress              | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Nestegis lanceolata                        | white maire             | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Nertera depressa                           | nertera                 | Native  |
| Eudicots | Olearia rani var. colorata                 | heketara                | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Orobanche minor                            | broomrape               | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Oxalis corniculata                         | woodsorrel              | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Oxalis exilis                              | creeping oxalis         | Native  |
| Eudicots | Oxalis incarnata                           | Pink sorrel             | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Ozothamnus leptophyllus                    | tauhinu                 | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Passiflora tetrandra                       | kohia                   | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Parsonsia sp.                              | kaihua                  | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Pennantia corymbosa                        | kaikōmako               | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Persicaria decipiens                       | tutunawai               | Native  |
| Eudicots | Persicaria hydropiper                      | water pepper            | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Persicaria maculosa                        |                         | Exotic  |

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| Eudicots | Phytolacca octandra            | inkweed                      | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Pilosella officinarum          | hawkweed                     | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Pinus radiata                  | Monterey pine                | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Piper excelsum subsp. excelsum | kawakawa                     | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Pittosporum eugenioides        | tarata                       | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Pittosporum tenuifolium        | kohuhu                       | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Plantago lanceolata            | narrowleaf plantain          | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Plantago major                 | plantain                     | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Polygonum aviculare            | knotweed                     | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Populus alba                   | silver poplar                | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Populus sp.                    | poplar                       | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Potentilla indica              | Indian strawberry            | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Pseudopanax arboreus           | whauwhaupaku                 | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Pseudopanax crassifolius       | horoeka                      | Endemic |
| Eudocots | Prunella vulgaris              | self-heal                    | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Prunus sp.                     |                              | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Ranunculus reflexus            | mārūrū                       | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Ranunculus repens              | creeping buttercup           | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Rorippa sp.                    |                              |         |
| Eudicots | Rosa rubiginosa                | sweet brier                  | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Rubus armeniacus               | blackberry                   | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Rubus cissoides                | tātarāmoa                    | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Rubus squarrosus               | leafless lawyer              | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Rubus ulmifolius               | blackberry                   | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Rumex acetosella               | sheep's sorrel               | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Rumex conglomeratus            | clustered dock               | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Salix sp.                      | willow                       | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Schefflera digitata            | patē                         | Endemic |
| Eudicots | Scrophularia auriculata        | water figwort                | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Senecio bipinnatisectus        | Australian fireweed          | Native  |
| Eudicots | Senecio glastifolius           | pink ragwort                 | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Senecio minimus                | fireweed                     | Native  |
| Eudicots | Senecio vulgaris               | groundsel                    | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Sherardia arvensis             | field madder                 | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Sison amomum                   | stone parsley                | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Solanum americanum             | small-flowered<br>nightshade | Native  |
| Eudicots | Solanum chenopodioides         | velvety nightshade           | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Solanum nigrum                 | black nightshade             | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Solanum pseudocapsicum         | Jerusalem cherry             | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Sonchus asper                  | prickly sowthistle           | Exotic  |
| Eudicots | Sonchus oleraceus              | sowthistle                   | Exotic  |

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| Eudicots  | Sophora chathamica          | kōwhai                    | Endemic |
| Eudicots  | Sophora tetraptera          | large-leaved kōwhai       | Endemic |
| Eudicots  | Stachys sylvatica           | hedge woundwort           | Exotic  |
| Eudicots  | Stellaria parviflora        | NZ chickweed              | Native  |
| Eudicots  | Streblus heterophyllus      | tūrepo                    | Endemic |
| Eudiicots | Symphyotrichum subulatum    | saltmarsh aster           | Exotic  |
| Eudicots  | Taraxacum officinale agg.   | dandelion                 | Exotic  |
| Eudicots  | Torilis arvensis            | hedge parsley             | Exotic  |
| Eudicots  | Trifolium arvense           | haresfoot trefoil         | Exotic  |
| Eudicots  | Trifolium dubium            | lesser trefoil            | Exotic  |
| Eudicots  | Trifolium glomeratum        | clustered clover          | Exotic  |
| Eudicots  | Trifolium repens            | white clover              | Exotic  |
| Eudicots  | Verbascum thapsus           | woolly mullein            | Exotic  |
| Eudicots  | Verbena incompta            | purpletop                 | Exotic  |
| Eudicots  | Verbena officinalis         | vervain                   | Exotic  |
| Eudicots  | Veronica anagallis-aquatica | water speedwell           | Exotic  |
| Eudcots   | Veronica serpyllifolia      | thyme-leaved<br>speedwell | Exotic  |
| Eudicots  | Veronica persica            | birdseye speedwell        | Exotic  |
| Eudicots  | Vicia sativa                | vetch                     | Exotic  |
| Eudicots  | Vitex lucens                | pūriri                    | Endemic |
| Monocots  | Agrostis capillaris         | browntop                  | Exotic  |
| Monocots  | Agrostis stolonifera        | creeping bent             | Exotic  |
| Monocots  | Anthoxanthum odoratum       | sweet vernal              | Exotic  |
| Monocots  | Arrhenatherum elatius       | tall oat grass            | Exotic  |
| Monocots  | Bromus catharticus          | prairie grass             | Exotic  |
| Monocots  | Carex divulsa               | grey sedge                | Exotic  |
| Monocots  | Carex forsteri              |                           | Endemic |
| Monocots  | Carex geminata              | rautahi                   | Endemic |
| Monocots  | Carex lambertiana           |                           | Endemic |
| Monocots  | Carex solandri              |                           | Endemic |
| Monocots  | Carex ochrosaccus           |                           | Endemic |
| Monocots  | Carex uncinata              | kamu                      | Native  |
| Monocots  | Carex virgata               | pūkio                     | Endemic |
| Monocots  | Catapodium rigidum          | hard grass                | Exotic  |
| Monocots  | Cordyline australis         | cabbage tree, ti kouka    | Endemic |
| Monocots  | Cortaderia sp.              | pampass                   | Exotic  |
| Monocots  | Crocosmia x crocosmiiflora  | montbretia                | Exotic  |
| Monocots  | Cynodon dactylon            | couch grass               | Exotic  |
| Monocots  | Cynosurus cristatus         | crested dogtail           | Exotic  |
| Monocots  | Dactylis glomerata          | cocksfoot                 | Exotic  |
| Monocots  | Dichelachne crinita         | plume grass               | Native  |
| Monocots  | Drymoanthus adversus        |                           | Endemic |
| Monocots  | Echinochloa crus-galli      | barnyard grass            | Exotic  |
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| Monocots | Festuca rubra subsp. rubra                 | red fescue                                   | Exotic  |
| Monocots | Gastrodia cunninghamii                     | black orchid                                 | Endemic |
| Monocots | Holcus lanatus                             | Yorkshire fog                                | Exotic  |
| Monocots | Isolepis prolifera                         | bullrush                                     | Native  |
| Monocots | Isolepis reticularis                       |  | Native  |
| Monocots | Juncus articulatus                         | joined rush                                  | Exotic  |
| Monocots | Juncus australis                           | wīwī   | Native  |
| Monocots | Juncus edgariae                            | wīwī   | Endemic |
| Monocots | Landoltia punctata                         | duckweed                                     | Exotic  |
| Monocots | Lemna disperma                             | duckweed                                     | Native  |
| Monocots | Libertia grandiflora                       | Mikoikoi, NZ iris                            | Endemic |
| Monocots | Lolium arundinaceum subsp.<br>arundinaceum | tall fescue                                  | Exotic  |
| Monocots | Microlaena avenacea                        |  | Native  |
| Monocots | Microlaena polynoda                        | bamboo grass                                 | Endemic |
| Monocots | Microlaena stipoides                       | pātītī                                       | Native  |
| Monocots | Microtis unifolia                          | onion-leaved orchid                          | Native  |
| Monocots | Oplismenus hirtellus subsp.<br>imbecillis  | basket grass                                 | Native  |
| Monocots | Panicum dichotomiflorum                    | panic grass                                  | Exotic  |
| Monocots | Paspalum dilatatum                         | paspalum                                     | Exotic  |
| Monocots | Paspalum distichum                         | mercer grass                                 | Exotic  |
| Monocots | Phormium cookianum subsp.<br>hookeri       | mountain flax,<br>wharariki                  | Endemic |
| Monocots | Phormium tenax                             | flax, harakeke                               | Endemic |
| Monocots | Potamogeton crispus                        | curly pondweed                               | Exotic  |
| Monocots | Pterostylis banksii                        | tutukiwi                                     | Endemic |
| Monocots | Rhopalostylis sapida                       | nīkau  | Endemic |
| Monocots | Ripogonum scandens                         | kareao, supplejack                           | Endemic |
| Monocots | Rytidosperma biannulare                    |  | Endemic |
| Monocots | Rytidosperma gracile                       | dainty bristle grass                         | Native  |
| Monocots | Rytidosperma racemosum                     |  | Exotic  |
| Monocots | Schoenoplectus tabernaemontani             | kuawa  | Native  |
| Monocots | Setaria parviflora                         | bristle grass                                | Exotic  |
| Monocots | Sporobolus africanus                       | rat'stail                                    | Exotic  |
| Monocots | Stuckenia pectinata                        | fennel-leaved                                | Native  |
| Monocots | Tradescantia fluminensis                   | pondweed<br>tradescantia,wandering<br>willie | Exotic  |

## **Moss Species**

\*=introduced

Acrocladium chlamydophyllum

Achrophyllum dentatum

Breutelia pendula

\*Bryum argenteum

\*Calliergonella cuspidata

Campylopus introflexus

Cyathophorum bulbosum

Dicranoloma billarderei

Ditrichum difficile

Echinodium hispidum

Fissidens sp.

Hypnum cupressiforme

Hypopterygium sp.

Leptostomum sp.

Leucobryum javense

Lopidium concinnum

Macrocoma tenuis

Macromitrium

Papillaria crocea

Philonotis tenuis

Ptychomnion aciculare

Racomitrium sp.

Racopilum robustum?

Syntrichia antarctica

Thuidiopsis furfurosa

Thuidium laeviusculum

Trachyloma diversinerve

Triquetrella papillata

Weissia controversa var. controversa

## **Liverwort Species** \*=introduced

Lobatiriccardia sp.

\*Lunularia cruciata

Monoclea forsteri

Pallavicinia innovans

Porella sp.

Reboulia hemisphaerica

Trichocolea sp.

## **Lichen species**

Biatoropsis usnearum

Brigantiaea chrysosticta

Brigantiaea lobulata

Caloplaca sp.

Chrysothrix xanthina

Cladia aff. inflata

Cladonia confusa

Cladia blanchonii

Cladonia darwinii

Cladonia chlorophaea

Cladonia pleurota

Cladonia polycarpoides

Coccocarpia palmicola

Coccotrema cucurbitula

Coenogonium implexum

Collema laeve

Collema leucocarpum

Collema subconveniens

Crocodia poculifera

Dibaeis arcuata

Dirinaria picta

Flavoparmelia soredians

Fuscopannaria subimmixta

Gabura fascicularis var. fascicularis

Heterodermia casarettiana

Hypogymnia pulchrilobata

Lecanora flavopallida

Lecanora sp.

Leioderma sorediatum

Leparia finkii

Leptogium coralloideum

Leptogium cyanescens

Leptogium oceanianum

Menegazzia neozelandica

Micarea prasina

Notoparmelia erumpens

Normandina pulchella

Pannaria elixii

Pannaria fulvescens

Pannaria leproloma

Pannaria aff. minutiphylla

Parmeliella nigrocincta

Parmotrema subtinctorium

Parmotrema reticulatum

Peltigera nana

Peltigera dolichorrhiza

Pertusaria sp.

Phaeophyscia sp.

Physcia jackii

Physcia poncinsii

Physma chilense

Peltigera dolichorhiza

Placopsis sp.

Pseudocyphellaria bartlettii

Pseudocyphellaria carpoloma

Pseudocyphellaria chloroleuca

Pseudocyphellaria coriacea

Pseudocyphellaria crocata agg.

Pseudocyphellaria dissimilis

Pseudocyphellaria episticta

Pseudocyphellaria haywardiorum

Pseudocyphellaria intricata

Pseudocyphellaria neglecta

Podostictina pickeringii

Porina exocha

Punctelia borreri

Pyrenula sp.

Pyxine subcinerea

Ramalina celastri

Scytinium kauaiense

Stereocaulon ramulosum

Sticta babingtonii

Sticta fuliginosa

Sticta latifrons

Sticta limbata

Sticta martinii

Strigula sp.

Usnea angulata

Usnea dasaea

Usnea rubicunda

#### Fungi

Auricularia cornea

Cordyceps sinclairii

Favolaschia claudopus

Paurocotylis pila

Russula sp.