

Regional Pest Management and Marine Pathways Plan 2027-2037

*Candidate Species for potential inclusion
into the 2027-2037 plan*

Full list



Regional Pest Management and Marine Pathways Plan 2017-2027 Review



Below is our proposed candidate species list for consideration for the new regional pest management plan, as well as indications where we are considering changes to rules in how we manage species already classified as pests in our plan.

Council staff have developed this list to align with neighbouring councils including Auckland, Waikato, Bay of Plenty, and Horizons.

This list of candidate species is crucial for developing the plan because it identifies which organisms are considered pests that need management. This helps the council and its staff in:

Defining Objectives: Clearly identifying the species allows for setting specific goals and measures to control or eradicate them.

Assessing Impact: Understanding the adverse effects of these species on the environment, economy, and human health helps in prioritizing actions.

Resource Allocation: It aids in determining the necessary resources and funding required for effective management.

Stakeholder Engagement: Involving tangata whenua, communities and stakeholders in identifying these species ensures that local knowledge and values are incorporated.

Regulatory Compliance: Ensuring that the plan aligns with national policies and legal requirements.

Overall, it provides a focused and structured approach to pest management, ensuring that efforts are targeted and effective.

Since 2017, there has been an increase in the number of pests that need managing in Te Taitokerau that are affecting a range of wildlife, communities, industry and economics. The inclusion of new species into the plan will have resource implications for the council which need to be considered to make sure that council are able to deliver on the management plans for each species.

As such, it is important to note that not all candidate species will likely be included into the plan, but those that would have the most impact will take precedence. Some species have been identified for 'further research'. This means that we are not yet sure that such species will become or have 'pest' impacts, or we are not yet sure about our abilities to carry out effective means of management

A final list of candidate species will be published along with a Proposed Regional Pest Management and Marine Pathways Plan that will be open for formal submissions in early/mid-2025.



Key for Pest Plants	
Category change	Considering a classification change for currently managed species
Rule modifications	Keeping classification but reconsidering current rules
New species	A species not currently managed under RPMP 2017-2027

CANDIDATE PEST PLANTS (Currently managed species. Note the classification shown is the current classification)		
Common Name	Scientific name	Classification
African feather grass	<i>Cenchrus macrourus</i>	Progressive Containment
Agapanthus	<i>Agapanthus praecox</i>	Sustained Control
Akebia (Chocolate Vine)	<i>Akebia quinata</i>	Eradication
Asiatic knotweed	<i>Fallopia japonica</i>	Exclusion
Balloon vine	<i>Cardiospermum grandiflorum</i>	Eradication
Bathurst bur	<i>Xanthium spinosum</i>	Sustained Control
Bat-wing passion flower	<i>Passiflora apetala</i>	Eradication
Black-eyed susan	<i>Thunbergia alata</i>	Sustained Control
Brazilian pepper tree	<i>Schinus terebinthifolius</i>	Sustained Control
Broom	<i>Cytisus scorparius</i>	Sustained Control
Brush wattle	<i>Paraserianthes lophantha</i>	Sustained Control
Buddleia	<i>Buddleja davidii</i>	Sustained Control
Camphor laurel	<i>Cinnamomum camphora</i>	Sustained Control
Cape honey flower	<i>Melianthus major</i>	Sustained Control
Cape ivy	<i>Senecio angulatus</i>	Sustained Control
Cape tulip	<i>Moraea flaccida</i>	Eradication
Cathedral bells	<i>Cobaea scandens</i>	Eradication
Century plant	<i>Agave americana</i>	Sustained Control
Chilean rhubarb	<i>Gunnera tinctoria</i>	Eradication (mapped)
Chinese knotweed	<i>Presicaria chinensis</i>	Exclusion
Climbing spindle berry	<i>Celastrus orbiculatus</i>	Exclusion

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Common Name	Scientific name	Classification
Coastal banksia	<i>Banksia inegrifolia</i>	Sustained Control
Cotoneaster (franchetii)	<i>Cotoneaster franchetii</i>	Sustained Control
Cotoneaster (glaucophyllus)	<i>Cotoneaster glaucophyllus</i>	Sustained Control
Eel grass	<i>Vallisneria australis</i>	Eradication
Elaeagnus	<i>Elaeagnus x reflexa</i>	Sustained Control
Elephant's ear	<i>Alocasia brisbanensis</i>	Sustained Control
English ivy	<i>Hedera helix</i>	Sustained Control
Evergreen buckthorn	<i>Rhamnus alaternus</i>	Eradication
Field horsetail	<i>Equisetum arvense</i>	Eradication
Firethorn	<i>Pyracantha angustifolia</i>	Eradication
Furcraea	<i>Furcraea spp.</i>	Sustained Control
German ivy	<i>Delairea odorata</i>	Sustained Control
Giant hogweed	<i>Heracleum mantegazzianum</i>	Exclusion
Giant knotweed	<i>Fallopia sachalinensis</i>	Exclusion
Gorse	<i>Ulex spp.</i>	Sustained Control
Gravel goundsel	<i>Senecio skirrhodon</i>	Sustained Control
Greater bindweed	<i>Calystegia silvatica</i>	Sustained Control
Gypsywort	<i>Lycopus europaeus</i>	Eradication
Hakea	<i>Hakea spp.</i>	Sustained Control
Himalayan fairy grass	<i>Miscanthus nepalensis</i>	Sustained Control
Himalayan honeysuckle	<i>Leycesteria formosa</i>	Sustained Control
Holly-leaved senecio	<i>Senecio glastifolius</i>	Exclusion
Houttuynia	<i>Houttuynia cordata</i>	Exclusion
Jasmine	<i>Jasminum polyanthum</i>	Sustained Control
Kahili ginger	<i>Hedychium gardnerianum</i>	Sustained Control
Kangaroo acacia	<i>Acacia paradoxa</i>	Sustained Control
Lantana	<i>Lantana camara</i>	Progressive Containment

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Common Name	Scientific name	Classification
Lesser knotweed	<i>Aconogonon campanulatum</i>	Eradication
Lily of the valley vine	<i>Salpichroa origanifolia</i>	Sustained Control
Lodgepole pine	<i>Pinus contorta</i>	Sustained Control
Manchurian wild rice	<i>Zizania latifolia</i>	Progressive Containment
Marshwort	<i>Nymphoides montana</i>	Exclusion
Mexican feather grass	<i>Nassella tenuissima</i>	Eradication
Mickey Mouse plant	<i>Ochna serrulata</i>	Eradication
Mile-a-minute	<i>Dipogon lignosus</i>	Progressive Containment
Monkey musk	<i>Erythranthe guttata</i>	Eradication
Nardoo	<i>Marsilea mutica</i>	Eradication
Nassella tussock	<i>Nassella trichotoma</i>	Eradication
Noogoora bur	<i>Xanthium strumarium</i>	Exclusion
Nutgrass	<i>Cyperus rotundus</i>	Eradication
Old man's beard	<i>Clematis vitalba</i>	Exclusion
Oxylobium	<i>Callistachys lanceolata</i>	Sustained Control
Paperbark poplar	<i>Melaleuca quinquinervia</i>	Sustained Control
Periwinkle	<i>Vinca major</i>	Sustained Control
Phoenix palm	<i>Phoenix canariensis</i>	Sustained Control
Phragmites	<i>Phragmites australis</i>	Exclusion
Prickly moses	<i>Acacia verticillata</i>	Sustained Control
Privet	<i>Ligustrum spp.</i>	Sustained Control
Pultenaea	<i>Pultenaea daphnoides</i>	Progressive Containment
Purple loosestrife	<i>Lythrum salicaria</i>	Exclusion
Queen of the night	<i>Cestrum nocturnum</i>	Sustained Control
Rhus tree	<i>Toxicodendron succedaneum</i>	Sustained Control
Royal fern	<i>Osmunda regalis</i>	Eradication
Salvinia	<i>Salvinia molesta</i>	Eradication

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Common Name	Scientific name	Classification
Sea spurge	<i>Euphorbia paralias</i>	Exclusion
Senegal tea	<i>Gymnocoronis spilanthoides</i>	Eradication
Sexton's bride	<i>Rhaphiolepis umbellata</i>	Sustained Control
Sharp rush	<i>Juncus acutus</i>	Sustained Control
Spartina (alterniflora)	<i>Spartina alterniflora</i>	Eradication
Spartina (angelica)	<i>Spartina anglica</i>	Eradication
Spartina (townsendii)	<i>Spartina townsendii</i>	Eradication
Sycamore	<i>Acer pseudoplatanus</i>	Sustained Control
Sydney golden wattle	<i>Acacia longifolia</i>	Sustained Control
Taiwan cherry	<i>Prunus campulata</i>	Sustained Control
Velvet groundsel	<i>Roldana petasitis</i>	Sustained Control
Velvetleaf	<i>Abutilon theophrasti</i>	Exclusion
Water hyacinth	<i>Eichhornia crassipes</i>	Eradication
Water poppy	<i>Hydrocleys nymphoides</i>	Exclusion
Wilding kiwifruit	<i>Actinidiaceae spp.</i>	Eradication
Wilding conifer spp.	<i>Pinus contorta, P. radiata, P. pinaster, Pseudostuga menziesii</i>	Sustained Control
Woolly nightshade	<i>Solanum mauritianum</i>	Sustained Control
Yellow flag iris	<i>Iris pseudacorus</i>	Eradication
Yellow ginger	<i>Hedychium flavescens</i>	Sustained Control

CANDIDATE PEST PLANTS (Species being assessed and considered for inclusion)		
Common Name	Scientific name	Classification
African Love grass	<i>Eragrostis curvula</i>	Eradication or Progressive Containment
Akebia	<i>Akebia trifoliata</i>	Exclusion or Eradication
Asparagus fern (drepanophyllus)	<i>Asparagus drepanophyllus</i>	Exclusion or Eradication
Asparagus fern (umbellatus)	<i>Asparagus umbellatus</i>	Exclusion or Eradication
Bamboo grass	<i>Autrostipa ramoissima</i>	Eradication or Progressive Containment
Broom corn millet	<i>Panicum miliaceum</i>	Progressive Containment or Sustained Control
Broomsedge/whiskey grass	<i>Andropogon virginicus</i>	Progressive Containment or Sustained Control
Chilean needle grass	<i>Nassella neesiana</i>	Exclusion
Chinese Hackberry	<i>Celtis sinensis</i>	Progressive Containment or Sustained Control
Climbing gloxinia	<i>Lophospermum erubescens</i>	Progressive Containment or Sustained Control
Coast tea tree	<i>Leptospermum laevigatum</i>	Progressive Containment or Sustained Control
Corky passion vine	<i>Pasiflora suberosa</i>	Progressive Containment or Sustained Control
Devil's fig	<i>Solanum torvum</i>	Progressive Containment or Sustained Control
Easter Cassia	<i>Senna pendula</i>	Progressive Containment or Sustained Control
Fringed water lily	<i>Nymphoides peltata</i>	Exclusion
Golden dodder	<i>Cuscuta campestris</i>	Exclusion or Eradication
Great reedmace	<i>Typha latifolia</i>	Exclusion or Eradication
Green cestrum	<i>Cestrum parqui</i>	Exclusion or Eradication
Horse nettle	<i>Solanum carolinense</i>	Exclusion or Eradication
Kudzu vine	<i>Pueraria montana</i>	Exclusion
Madagascar ragwort	<i>Senecio madagascariensis</i>	Sustained control
Monkey brush	<i>Amphilophium crucigerumas</i>	Progressive containment or Sustained control
Moth plant	<i>Araujia hortorum</i>	Sustained control
Needle grass	<i>Austrstipa rudis</i>	Progressive containment or Sustained control
Pennywort	<i>Hydrocotyle veritcillata</i>	Progressive containment or Sustained control
Phragmites karka	<i>Phragmites karka</i>	Exclusion

CANDIDATE PEST PLANTS (Species being assessed and considered for inclusion)		
Common Name	Scientific name	Classification
Rhododendron	<i>Rhododendron ponticum</i>	Exclusion
Rose scented geranium	<i>Geranium capitatum</i>	Progressive containment or Sustained control
Rough horsetail	<i>Equisetum hymale</i>	Eradication or Progressive Containment
Sagittaria	<i>Sagittaria spp.</i>	Progressive containment or Sustained control
Scrambling lily	<i>Geitonoplesium cymosum</i>	Eradication or Progressive Containment
Sikkam knotweed	<i>Koenigia mollis</i>	Exclusion or Eradication
Southern cut grass	<i>Leersia hexandra</i>	Eradication or Progressive Containment
Spiny emex	<i>Emex australis</i>	Exclusion
Sweet pittosporum	<i>Pittosporum undulatum</i>	Progressive Containment
Water horsetail	<i>Equisetum fluviatile</i>	Exclusion
Whisky grass	<i>Andropogon virginicus</i>	Progressive Containment or Sustained Control
White-edged nightshade	<i>Solanum marginatum</i>	Progressive Containment or Sustained Control
Wild broom	<i>Cytisus scoparius</i>	Sustained control

CANDIDATE PEST PLANTS (Species being considered for Sustained Control; Banned ban from sale and propagation)		
Common Name	Scientific name	Classification
Abyssinian banana	<i>Ensete ventricosum</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
African club moss	<i>Selaginella kraussiana</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
African iris	<i>Dietes bicolour</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
African pig's ear	<i>Cotyledon orbiculata</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Alder	<i>Alnus glutinosa</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Alligator weed	<i>Alternanthera philoxeroides</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Aristea	<i>Aristea ecklonii</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Artillery plant	<i>Lamium galeobdolon</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Arum lily	<i>Zantedeschia aethiopica</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Australian sedge	<i>Carex longebrachiata</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation

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Common Name	Scientific name	Classification
Baccaris	<i>Baccharis halimifolia</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Bamboo species	<i>Phyllostachys aurea, Phyllostachys nigra, Pleioblastus auricomus, Pleioblastus hindsii, Pseudosasa japonica, Chimonobambusa quadrangularis (Banned from Sale & propagation in Auckland), Phyllostachys edulis</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Banana passionfruit	<i>Passiflora tripartita</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Bangalow palm	<i>Archontophoenix cunninghamiana</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
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Barberry	<i>Berberis glaucocarpa</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Bartlettina	<i>Bartlettina sordida</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Bears breeches	<i>Acanthus mollis</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Berry heath	<i>Erica baccans</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Black wattle	<i>Acacia mearnsli</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Blackberry (wild aggregates)	<i>Rubus fruticosus agg.</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Bladderwort	<i>Utricularia spp.</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Blue morning glory	<i>Ipomoea indica</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Blue passion flower	<i>Passiflora caerulea</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Blue spur flower	<i>Plectranthus eckionii</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Bolivian fuchsia	<i>Fuchsia boliviana</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Bomarea (Climbing alstromeria)	<i>Bomarea caldasii</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Boneseed	<i>Chrsanthemoides monilifera</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Boxthorn	<i>Lycium ferocissimum</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Brazillian rattlebox	<i>Sesbania punicea</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Bur daisy	<i>Calotis lappulacea</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Burdock	<i>Arctium minus</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Bushy asparagus	<i>Asparagus aethiopicus</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation

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Common Name	Scientific name	Classification
buttercup tree, Brazillian buttercup, Arsenic bush	<i>Senna septemtrionalis</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Californian bulrush	<i>Schoenoplectus californicus</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Californian thistle	<i>Cirsium arvense</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Canary island ivy	<i>Hedera helix sub species canariensis</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
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Cape pondweed	<i>Aponogeton distachyus</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Cape sundew	<i>Drosera capensis</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Carex (divulsa)	<i>Carex divulsa</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Carex (scoparia)	<i>Carex scoparia</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Castor oil plant	<i>Ricinus communis</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Cat's claw creeper	<i>Macfadyena unguis-cati</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
<i>Cenchrus spp.</i> (except kikuyu and pearl barley)	<i>Cenchrus spp.</i> , <i>Pennisetum spp.</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Chilean flame creeper	<i>Tropaeolum speciosum</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Chilean glory creeper	<i>Eccremocarpus scaber</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Chinese fan palm	<i>Trachycarpus fortunei</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Chinese holly grape	<i>Mahonia lomarifolia</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Clematis (flammula)	<i>Clematis flammula</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Climbing asparagus	<i>Asparagus scandens</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Climbing dock	<i>Rumex sagittatus</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Climbing gloxinia	<i>Lophospermum erubescens</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Coastal yucca	<i>Yucca gloriosa</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Coltsfoot	<i>Tussilago farfara</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Coral berry	<i>Ardisia crenata</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Coral/flame tree	<i>Erythrina x sykesii</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Crack willow	<i>Salix fragilis</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Creeping fig	<i>Ficus pumila</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation

CANDIDATE PEST PLANTS (Species being considered for Sustained Control; Banned ban from sale and propagation)		
Common Name	Scientific name	Classification
Dally pine	<i>Psoralea pinnata</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Darwin's barberry	<i>Berberis darwinii</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Devil's tail	<i>Persicaria perfoliata</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Divided sedge	<i>Carex divisa</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Drooping prickly pear	<i>Opuntia monacantha</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Dusky coral pea	<i>Kennedia rubicunda</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Egeria	<i>Egeria densa</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Elodea	<i>Elodea canadensis</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Equisetum spp (horsetails)	<i>Equisteum species</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
False tamarisk	<i>Myricaria germanica</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Fatsia, false castor oil plant	<i>Fatsia japonica</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Ferny asparagus	<i>Asparagus plumosus</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Formosa lily	<i>Lilium formosanum</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Fucrea species	<i>Fucrea spp.</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Giant reed	<i>Arundo donax</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Giant rhubarb	<i>Gunnera manicata</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Goat's rue	<i>Galega officinalis</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Grey willow	<i>Salix cinerea</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Guava	<i>Psidium cattleianum</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
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Guinea grass	<i>Megathyrsus maximus</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Happy tree /tree of Life/cancer tree	<i>Camptotheca acuminata</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Hawkweed	<i>Pilosella spp.</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Hawthorn	<i>Crataegus monogyna</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Heather	<i>Calluna vulgaris</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Hemlock	<i>Conium maculatum</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Hornwort	<i>Ceratophyllum demersum</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation

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Hydrocotle (umbellata)	<i>Hydrocotle umbellata</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Iceplant	<i>Carpobrotus edulis</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Italian arum	<i>Arum italicum</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Italian jasmine	<i>Jasminum humile</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Japanese cherry	<i>Prunus serrulata</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Japanese honeysuckle	<i>Lonicera japonica</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Japanese spindle tree	<i>Euonymus japonicas</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Japanese walnut	<i>Juglans ailantifolia</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Khasia berry	<i>Cotoneaster simonsii</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Kudzu vine	<i>Pueraira montana</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Lagarosiphon	<i>Lagarosiphon major</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Lizard's tail	<i>Saururus cernuus</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Loquat	<i>Eriobotrya japonica</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Madeira vine	<i>Anredera cordifolia</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Male fern	<i>Dryopteris filix-mas</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Marram grass	<i>Ammophila arenaria</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Mexican daisy	<i>Erigeron karvinskianus</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Mexican devil	<i>Ageratina adenophora</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Mexican water lily	<i>Nymphaea mexicana</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Mist flower	<i>Ageratina riparia</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Monkey apple	<i>Syzygium smithii</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Montbretia	<i>Crocasmia x crocosmiliflora</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Montpellier broom	<i>Genista monspessulana</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Morton Bay fig	<i>Ficus macrophylla</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Moth plant	<i>Araujia hortorum</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Mother of Millions	<i>Kalanchoe delagoensis</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Nodding thistle	<i>Carduus nutans</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation

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Norfolk Island hibiscus	<i>Lagunaria patersonii</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Orange wild Rhea	<i>Debregeasia longifolia</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Palm grass	<i>Setaria pamifolia</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Pampas grass jubata	<i>Cortaderia jubata</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Pampas grass selloana	<i>Cortaderia selloana</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Parrot's feather	<i>Myriophyllum aquaticum</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Perennial nettle	<i>Urtica dioica</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Pitted crassula	<i>Crassula multicava</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Plectranthus	<i>Plectranthus ciliatus</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Plumeless thistle	<i>Carduus acanthoides</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Port Jackson fig	<i>Ficus rubiginosa</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Purple groundsel	<i>Senecio elegans</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Queensland poplar	<i>Homalanthus populifolius</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Queensland umbrella tree	<i>Schefflera actinophylla</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Ragwort	<i>Jacobaea vulgaris</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Red dragon	<i>Persicaria microcephala</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Red valerian	<i>Centranthus ruber</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Reed sweet grass	<i>Glyceria maxima</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Rough tree fern	<i>Cyathea cooperi</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Salt water paspalum	<i>Paspalum vaginatum</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Selaginella spp.	<i>Selaginella martensii, S. moellendorffii, S. uncinata</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Sheep's bur	<i>Acaena agnipila</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Skeleton weed	<i>Chondrilla juncea</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Smilax	<i>Asparagus asparagoides</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Snow poppy	<i>Eomecon chionantha</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Soap aloe	<i>Aloe maculata</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Spanish broom	<i>Spartium junceum</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation

CANDIDATE PEST PLANTS (Species being considered for Sustained Control; Banned ban from sale and propagation)		
Common Name	Scientific name	Classification
Spanish heath	<i>Erica lusitanica</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Spiny broom	<i>Calicotome spinosa</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Stinking Iris	<i>Iris foetidissima</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Strangling fig	<i>Ficus microcarpa</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Sweet briar	<i>Rosa rubignosa</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Sweet pea shrub	<i>Polygala myrtifolia</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Sweet pittosporum	<i>Pittosporum undulatum</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Tasmanian ngaio	<i>Myoporum insulare</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Tradescantia	<i>Tradescantia fluminensis</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Tradescantia zebrina	<i>Tradescantia zebrina</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Tree lupin	<i>Lupinus arboreus</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Tree of heaven	<i>Ailanthus altissima</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Tropical guava	<i>Psidium guajava</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Tuber ladder fern	<i>Nephrolepis cordifolia</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Tutsan	<i>Hypericum androsaemum</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Variegated thistle	<i>Silybum marianum</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Water plantain	<i>Alisma plantago-aquatica</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Water primrose	<i>Ludwigia peploides</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Watsonia (Bugle lily)	<i>Watsonia spp.</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
West Indian raspberry	<i>Rubus rosifolius</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Wonder tree	<i>Idesia polycarpa</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Yellow bristle grass	<i>Setaria pumila</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Yellow guava	<i>Psidium guajava</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Yellow passionfruit	<i>Passiflora ligularis</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation
Yellow water lily	<i>Nuphar lutea</i>	Banned from Sale and Propagation

Key for Pest Animals	
Rule modifications	Keep classification but reconsidering rules
Proposed Rule	"Permitted to do" – e.g. breed / keep as pet
Proposed rule	Proposing to increase restrictions – e.g. is currently permitted but proposed to restrict
Proposed Rule	"Cannot do without exemption" – e.g. release into the wild
New species	A species not currently managed under RPMP 2017-2027

CANDIDATE MAMMALS						
Common Name	Scientific name	Classification	Proposed rules			
			Held in captivity	Breeding	Sale and distribution	Can't be released
Cat (feral only)	<i>Felis catus</i>	Sustained control				
Deer (feral)	<i>Cervus spp., Dama spp., Odocoileus spp.</i> (and hybrids)	Eradication	(Can farm)	(Can farm)	(Can farm)	
Goat (feral)	<i>Capra hircus</i>	Sustained control	(Can farm)	(Can farm)	(Can farm)	
Hedgehog	<i>Erinaceus europaeus</i>	Site-led Pest Programme				
Mouse	<i>Mus musculus</i>	Sustained control				
Mustelids	<i>Mustela spp.</i>	Sustained control				
Pigs (feral)	<i>Sus scrofa</i>	Sustained control	(Can farm)	(Can farm)	(Can farm)	
Possums	<i>Trichosurus vulpecula</i>	Sustained control				
Rabbits	<i>Oryctolagus cuniculus</i>	Sustained control	(Pet)	(Pet)	(Pet)	
Rats	<i>Rattus spp.</i>	Sustained control	(Pet)	(Pet)	(Pet)	
Wallaby	<i>Macropodidae, Petrogale, and Wallabia spp.</i>	Exclusion				

CANDIDATE REPTILES (INCLUDING PETS)						
Common Name	Scientific name	Classification	Proposed rules			
			Held in captivity	Breeding	Sale and distribution	Can't be released
Bearded dragon	<i>Pogona spp. (including P. barbata and P. vitticeps)</i>	Sustained control / provide ability for exemption				
Blue tongued skink	<i>Tiliqua scincoides and Tiliqua nigrolutea</i>	Exclusion				
Eastern water dragon	<i>Intellagama lesueurii</i> (all sub-species and variants)	Sustained control / provide ability for exemption				
Red-eared slider turtle	<i>Trachemys scripta elegans</i>	Sustained control / provide ability for exemption				
Snake-necked turtle	<i>Chelodina longicollis</i>	Sustained control / provide ability for exemption				
All other turtles / tortoises / terrapins		Sustained control / provide ability for exemption				
All other exotic lizards		Sustained control / provide ability for exemption				

CANDIDATE BIRDS INCLUDING PET BIRDS						
Common Name	Scientific name	Classification	Proposed rules			
			Held in captivity	Breeding	Sale and distribution	Can't be released
Alexandrine parakeet	<i>Gymnorhina tibicen</i>	Exclusion				
Canada goose	<i>Branta canadensis</i>	Site-led pest program or sustained control	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Not a native species to Aotearoa - Contributes to poor water quality due to population size in high-risk and interest areas (such as dune lakes and Lake Ōmāpere) - Not a Fish and Game species - Proposed site-led management where water quality is severely affected 			
Galah	<i>Eolophus roseicapillus</i>	Exclusion				
Indian ring-necked parakeet	<i>Psittacula krameri</i>	Exclusion				Must be reported
Monk parakeet	<i>Myiopsitta monachus</i>	Exclusion				
Rainbow lorikeet	<i>Trichoglossus moluccanus</i>	Exclusion				
Rook	<i>Corvus frugilegus</i>	Exclusion				
Scaly-breasted lorikeet	<i>Trichoglossus chlorolepidotus</i>	Exclusion				
Sulphur-crested cockatoo	<i>Cacatua galerita</i>	Exclusion				

CANDIDATE FRESHWATER SPECIES (EXCLUDING REPTILES AND AMPHIBIANS)						
Common Name	Scientific name	Classification	Proposed rules			
			Held in captivity	Breeding	Sale and distribution	Can't be released / Transported
Gold Clam	<i>Corbicula fluminea</i> <i>Corbicula australis</i> (all <i>Corbicula</i> spp.)	Exclusion				Must be reported
Brown bullhead catfish	<i>Ameiurus nebulosus</i>	Sustained control				
Koi Carp	<i>Cyprinus carpio</i> / <i>rubrofuscus</i> (all koi)	No change – include new PC areas				Must be reported
Orfe	<i>Leuciscus idus</i>	Exclusion				Must be reported
Perch	<i>Perca fluviatilis</i>	Progressive containment				
Pest Goldfish	<i>Carassius auratus</i>	Sustained control and site-lead				
Rudd	<i>Scardinius erythrophthalmus</i>	No change, include updated PC areas				
Tench	<i>Tinca tinca</i>	Progressive containment				

CANDIDATE MARINE SPECIES			
Common Name	Scientific name	Classification	Proposed rules
Asian paddle crab	<i>Charybdis japonica</i>	Sustained control	
Australian droplet tunicate	<i>Eudistoma elongatum</i>	Sustained control	
Exotic caulerpa	<i>Caulerpa brachypus</i>	Sustained control	Is currently under the national plan for MPI, clean hull rules apply. New rules around no anchoring zones Potential for pathway restrictions (more likely to come under the clean hull programme)
Exotic caulerpa	<i>Caulerpa parvifolia</i>	Sustained control	
Japanese mantis shrimp	<i>Oratosquilla oratoria</i>	Sustained control	
Long spined sea urchin	<i>Centrostephanus rodgersii</i>	To be researched	Natural range expansion from Australia, however is becoming invasive in areas such as the Poor Knights Marine Reserve
Mediterranean fanworm	<i>Sabella spallanzanii</i>	Sustained control	
Pyura sea squirt	<i>Pyura praepetualis</i>	Sustained control	
Pyura sea squirt	<i>Pyura doppelgangera</i>	Sustained control	
Red sea plume	<i>Asparagopsis taxiformis</i>	Sustained control	Clean hull rules apply Rules where it must be reported and not transported Research options for providing exemptions/permits for harvesting as it contains that molecule bromoform which reduces ruminants in stock.
Styela sea squirt (Clubbed tunicate)	<i>Styela clava</i>	Sustained control	
Undaria seaweed	<i>Undaria pinnatifida</i>	Sustained control	

CANDIDATE INSECTS						
Common Name	Scientific name	Classification	Proposed rules			
			Held in captivity	Breeding	Sale and distribution	Can't be released
Argentine ant	<i>Linepithema humile</i>	Sustained control				
Big-headed ant	<i>Pheidole megacephala</i>	Exclusion				
Darwin's ant	<i>Doleromyrma darwiniana</i>	Sustained control				

CANDIDATE PLANT PATHOGENS			
Common Name	Scientific name	Classification	Proposed rules
Kauri dieback	<i>Phyophthora agathidicida</i>	Sustained control	Retain existing rules: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - High risk property identification - Requirements for Kauri Dieback Management Plan for High-risk sites - Required reporting to Council
Myrtle rust	<i>Austropuccinia psidii</i>	To be researched	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Possible to pick up where MPI have left off - Require reporting? - Ability to give Biosecurity officers ability to destroy infected plants in nurseries - New treatment techniques being developed
Red needle cast	<i>Rhabdocline pseudotsugae</i>	To be researched	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - To be discussed with industry - Already widespread in Northland - Not all pine plantations are for harvest – i.e. continue to harbour fungus