

Crown Pastoral Land Tenure Review

Lease name: THE WANDLE

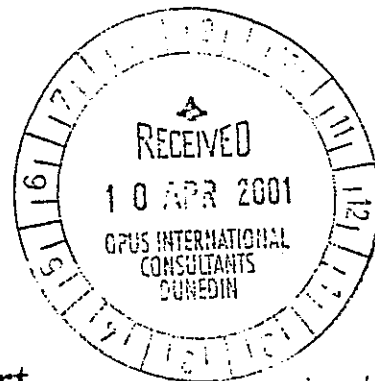
Lease number: PO 328

Fish & Game Report

As part of the process of Tenure Review Fish & Game councils may provide advice on significant inherent values within the pastoral lease, and the information may be incorporated in the Conservation Resources Report. The advice is part of the information gathered and assessed for the development of a preliminary consultation document.

The report attached is released under the Official Information Act 1982.

December 05



Fish and Game Resources Report

For: The Wandle.

Prepared by the
Otago Fish and Game Council

Section One - Introduction

1.1 Purpose

The purpose of this report is to advise the Commissioner of Crown Lands on the sports fish and game values present on the land included in The Wandle Crown pastoral lease. The lease is being considered for land tenure review and disposal under the provisions of the Crown Pastoral Land Act. As well as habitat values the report covers angling and hunting values and associated access issues.

Information for this report has been researched and prepared by Otago Fish and Game Council staff.

1.2 Location

The Wandle Pastoral lease is located in the Strath Taieri area and fronts on to the main road between Middlemarch and Hyde. It encompasses parts of the catchment of three Taieri River tributaries - Wandle Creek, Lug Creek and Nant Creek which drain from the Rock & Pillar range.

Section Two - General Resources Information

2.1 Sports Fisheries Values

Wandle Creek, Lug Creek and Nant Creek all have value for brown trout spawning and rearing. Mature trout migrate up from the Taieri River to spawn between April and July each year. The developing eggs incubate in stream bed gravels, hatch out and the juvenile trout grow and migrate downstream into the Taieri River.

2.2 Game-bird Values

A pond on the property (Map ref. H43 - 874291) is used as a breeding area for mallard duck and paradise shelduck. The pond also contains brown trout.

2.3 Other Recreational Values

None identified.

Principal
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Project Manager

Statutory managers of freshwater sports fish, game birds and their habitats

Otago Region

2.4 Access Information

No angler/hunter access issues identified.

Section Three - Consultation

3.1 Consultation Undertaken

N.A.

3.2 Issues Identified Through Consultation

Section Four - Fish and Game Perspective

4.1 Habitat Views

The creeks on the property probably do not qualify for marginal strips but do deserve some formal protection because of the spawning rearing values present. Protection of riparian areas and creek beds by way of conservation covenants is appropriate

No other habitat issues have been identified on the lease.

4.2 Access Views


N.A.

Section Five - Bibliography

Tenure Review Document
Crown Pastoral Lands Act. (1998)

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Signed



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