

# **Crown Pastoral Land Tenure Review**

Lease name: Cattle Flat (Otago)

Lease number: Po 352

## 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.

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### Fish and Game Resources Report for the Cattle Flat Pastoral Lease.

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 Cattle Flat 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 Cattle Flat pastoral lease lies between the Motatapu River to the south, the Carmel burn to the North and the Matukituki River to the east.

#### Section Two - General Resources Information

- 2.1 Sports Fisheries Habitat Values
- Matukituki River The Matukituki River is a major spawning tributary of Lake Wanaka, contributing significantly to the lake Wanaka fishery.
- Motatapu River The Motatapu River is a quality spawning tributary for Lake Wanaka trout. It also contains a small population of good quality resident fish. (Rainbow and brown trout)
- Carmel Burn There is trout spawning in the lower reaches of the Carmel Burn but the Burn does not contain a resident population of trout.

#### 2.2 Recreational Sports Fisheries Values

The Motatapu contains numbers of large trophy sized fish, and is an important angling resource with relatively easy access.

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#### 2.3 Gamebird Habitat Values

The pastoral lease is utilised by mallard, grey and paradise shelducks, which live and feed on the pastures. It is not known if any breeding takes place on the lease.

#### 2.4 Recreational Gamebird Hunting Values

Hunting pressure on the lease is low due to the limited number of wetland areas on the lease.

#### 2.5 Other Recreational Values

N/A

#### 2.6 Access Information

N/A

#### Section Three - Consultation

#### 3.1 Consultation Undertaken

N/A

#### 3.2 Issues Identified Through Consultation

N/A

#### Section Four - Fish and Game Perspective

#### 4.1 Fisheries Habitat Views

The marginal strips that are in place provide adequate protection for the habitat values.

#### 4.2 Fisheries Recreation Views

No issues identified

#### 4.3 Gamebird habitat Views

No issues identified

#### 4.4 Recreational Gamebird Hunting Views

No issues identified

#### 4.5 Access Views

The marginal strips that are in place provide adequate anglers access.

### Section Five - Bibliography

Tenure Review Document Crown Pastoral lands Act. (1998)

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Signed

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