

## **Crown Pastoral Land Tenure Review**

**Lease name : Dingleburn**

**Lease number : Po 151**

### **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 & Game Resources Report for the Dingleburn Pastoral Lease.

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### Section One - Introduction

#### 1.1 Purpose

The purpose of this report is to advise the Commissioner of Crown Lands of the sports fish and game habitat present on the land included in the Dingleburn 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 Dingleburn pastoral lease lies on the east side of Lake Hawea and the Hunter River and is bounded by Timaru River to the south.

### Section Two - General Resource Information

#### 2.1 Sports Fisheries Values

The Dingleburn lease boundaries 2 major spawning tributaries to the Lake Hawea area being the Hunter River and Timaru River and contains the another major spawning river the Dingle Burn.

The Hunter River is the main spawning tributary for rainbow trout, brown trout and salmon from Lake Hawea, while the Dingle Burn and Timaru River and their tributaries contains significant rainbow and brown trout spawning, and the possibility of some salmon spawning.

The Dingle Lagoon contains a wild population of Brook Char and has in previous occasions been stocked from the Wanaka Hatchery.

All these waters are well known and well utilised by anglers.

#### 2.2 Game-bird Values

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The Dingle Lagoon is a traditional nesting and living area for a variety of game-bird species including Mallard, Grey, Shoveller Ducks and Black Swans. It is also utilised by Paradise Shelducks and Canada geese for moulting.

The flats at the Dingle Burn mouth are traditional feeding and loafing areas, as is the western boundary against the Hunter River at the head of the lake.

The Dingle Burn Pastoral Lease contains scattered populations of California Quail and Chukor.

Game bird hunting historically takes place at the head of Lake Hawea.

An increase of paradise shelduck population may promote future hunting opportunities on the property.

### *2.3 Other Recreational Values*

N/A

### *2.4 Access information*

There is a formed road along the lake shore line through to Dingleburn Station and in up the Hunter Valley.

## **Section Three - Consultation**

### *3.1 Consultation Undertaken*

N/A

### *3.2 Issues Identified Through Consultation.*

N/A

## **Section Four - Fish & Game Perspective.**

### *4.1 Habitat Views*

No special requirements for habitat purposes other than qualifying marginal strips on all rivers and the marginal strip along the shores of Lake Hawea and Dingle Lagoon.

### *4.2 Access Views*

Marginal Strips should be laid off where they do not already occur on all qualifying waterways especially in the case of the Dingle Burn and the Timaru River. This will allow access to the rivers from the lake.

Access should also be assured to the Dingle Lagoon as currently access is across pastoral lease land due to the outlet stream not qualifying for marginal strip. This needs to be remedied by way of access easement or strip to the eastern edge of the lagoon.

The question of vehicle access along the formed road through the station should be considered. The road provides the opportunity for secure public access to fisheries of considerable angling importance.

## **Section Five - Bibliography**

Tenure Review Document.

Crown Pastoral Lands Act. (1998)  
Land Status Report on Dingleburn Station

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Signed



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