

## Crown Pastoral Land Tenure Review

Lease name: KIRKLISTON

Lease number: PT 119

### 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.

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**INITIAL ASSESSMENT OF SPORTS FISH & GAME VALUES**

**1) SPORT FISHERY ASSESSEMENT**

RIVER/STREAM <u>Stony River</u>																		
Sports Fish Present	<u>(Br)</u> Rb Sa						Br <u>(Rb)</u> Sa						Br Rb Sa					
	Low				High		Low				High		Low				High	
Value Assess	1	2	3	4	5		1	2	3	4	5		1	2	3	4	5	
Fish Stocks		✓					✓											
Nursery Value				✓					✓									
Spawning Value		✓						✓										
Angler Popularity	✓						✓											

**Comment** Brown trout from L. Benmore utilise Stony River for spawning provided there is sufficient surface flow over a short 3km section immediately downstream from the gorge. Good resident fishery upstream but angler access is difficult and for this reason, not popular. Basin Shears, Pringle and Hay have a limited fishery, primarily flows related.

**2) GAME BIRD PRESENCE**

AREA

LEGEND:

SPECIES								
Mallard duck	✓							
Grey duck	✓							
Paradise duck	✓							
Canada goose								
Chukar	✓							
Quail	✓							
Pheasant								

**Comment** Chukar numbers quite high in this area in past - uncertain of current status. Same applies to quail in the scrubby riparian lands along Stony River.

**3) MARGINAL STRIP/PROVISIONS SOUGHT**

Along Stony River.

We note that there is an RLMP operative over the property. Also under previous LIA some 890HA Upper Basin Kirk Block has been retired (destocked) - LIA registered 9/7/84 Expires 9/7/2017. South of the Pringle much of the land is Class 7c land and should be retired.

**4) GENERAL COMMENT**

Public access to the area is currently restricted. Fishing experience could be more popular if area was easier to get to - particularly if there were through access over Kirkliston Range to Hukatenua.



Desired marginal strip

Desired UWD access

