

Crown Pastoral Land Tenure Review

Lease name: THE MULLER

Lease number: PM 021

Due Diligence Report (including Status Report) - Part 3

This report and attachments results from a pre-Tenure Review assessment of the pastoral lease for the purpose of confirming land available for Tenure Review and any issues, rights or obligations attaching to it. The information is gathered from files and other sources available to the LINZ contractor.

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DEEDS/TITLES/DOCUMENTS



COMPUTER INTEREST REGISTER **UNDER LAND TRANSFER ACT 1952**



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Identifier

MB46/198

Land Registration District Marlborough

Date Registered

01 March 1960 12:00 am

Prior References

MB46/151

MB46/152

MB46/153

Type

Lease under s83 Land Act 1948

Area

31304.4295 hectares more or less

Term

Thirty three years commencing on the first day of July 1960 and renewed for 33 years

commencing on 1 July 1993

Legal Description Run 218,219,220 and Section 1 Block VII

Upcot Survey District

Original Proprietors

The Muller Station Limited

Interests

32933 Surrender of the within Lease as to Run 219 containing 7850 acres (=3176.7823 ha.) - 28.5.1960 at 10.40 am

45509 Variation of the covenants of the within lease - 20.8.1965 at 10.40 am

101010 Mortgage to The Rural Banking and Finance Corporation - 20.11.1980 at 9.26 am

168367 Land Improvement Agreement pursuant to Section 30A Soil Conservation and Rivers Control Act 1941 -10.5.1993 at 9.16 am

170453 Variation of terms renewing the within lease for 33 years commencing on 1 July 1993 - 23.9.1993 at 9.55 am

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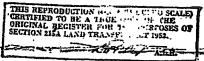
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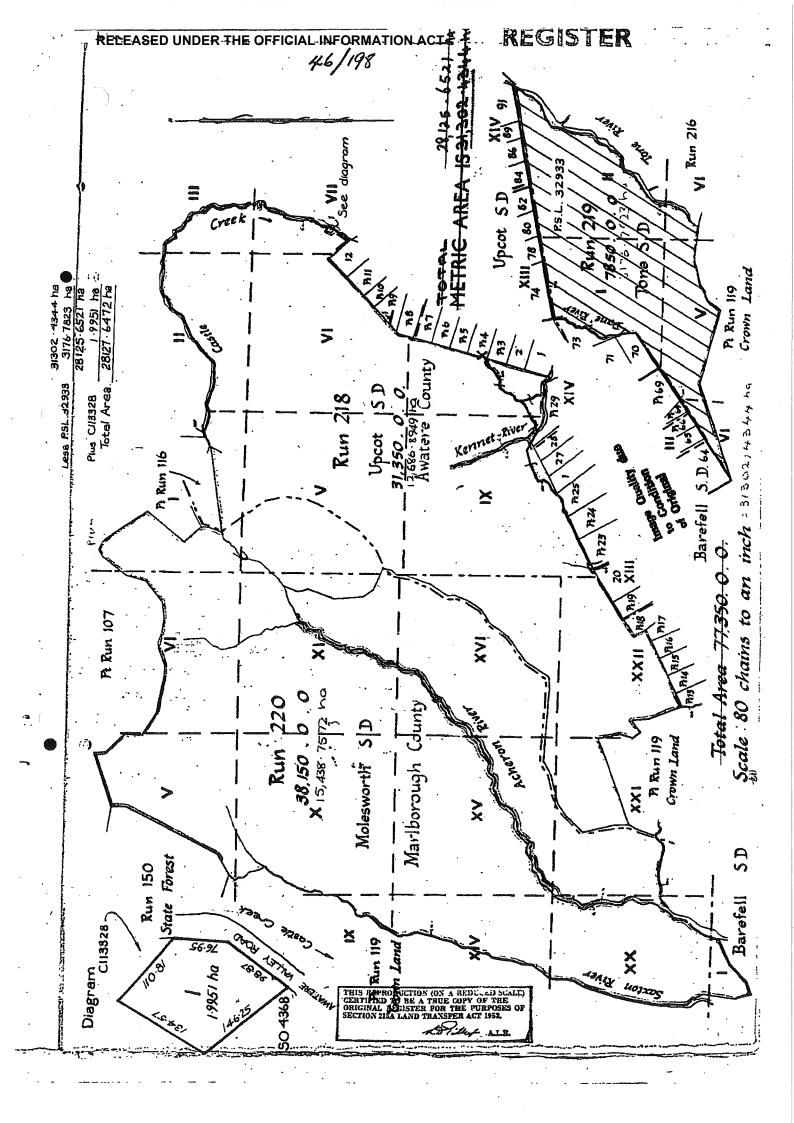
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THE NELSON-MARLBOROUGH REGIONAL COUNCIL a body corporate under the Local Government Act 1974 (called "the Council")

<u>AND</u>

THE MULLER STATION LIMITED

(Called "the Farmer")

LAND IMPROVEMENT AGREEMENT



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LAND IMPROVEMENT AGREEMENT

THIS AGREEMENT is made the 26 day of 1992

BETWEEN THE NELSON-MARLBOROUGH REGIONAL COUNCIL a body Corporated under the Local Government Act 1974 (called "the Council") AND

THE MULLER STATION LIMITED of Christchurch

(called "the Farmer")

WHEREAS

- 1. The Farmer is the owner or lessee of the land described in the First Schedule ("the land").
- 2. The Farmer farms the land.
- 3. The Council and the Farmer have agreed to the Rabbit and Land Management Plan ("the plan") set out in the Second Schedule for the purposes of:
 - (a) Controlling or eradicating rabbits on the land: and
 - (b) Conserving the soil and vegetation on the land.
- 4. Council has agreed under Section 30 of the Soil Conservation and Rivers Control Act 1941 to pay grants towards the cost of implementing the plan.
- 5. The parties have agreed that the payment of grants will be made on the terms set out in this agreement.
- 6. The parties have also agreed that the terms of this agreement will bind the Farmer and any successors in title to perform and observe the terms of this agreement and will run with the land.

- 7. The agreement is to be registered against the title to the land under Section 30A of the Soil Conservation and Rivers Act 1941.
- 8. The plan is part of the Rabbit and Land Management Programme being undertaken by the Crown and the Council in the Nelson Marlborough region.
- 9. All grants paid by the Council under the plan are funded by the Crown and the Council.
- 10. The plan is conditional upon:
 - (i) Continuing Crown funding of the Rabbit and Land Management Programme in the Nelson Marlborough region; and
 - (ii) The payment to the Council by the Crown of money necessary for the Council to make the grants payable by the Council under the plan.
- 11. The Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries ("MAF") is responsible for implementing monitoring and overseeing the Rabbit and Land Management Programme for the Nelson Marlborough region on behalf of the Crown.
- 12. The plan has been approved by the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries.

IT IS AGREED:

- 1. COMMENCEMENT
- 1.1 This agreement shall be deemed to have commenced on 1st April 1990.
- 2. THE FARMERS OBLIGATION
- 2.1 The Farmer shall:
 - 1. Implement the plan
 - 2. Carry out the works in the plan to be undertaken by the Farmer
 - 3. Adopt and maintain land management practices described in the plan
 - 4. Carry out any maintenance required by the plan
 - 5. Use any rabbit control or eradication measures described in the plan
 - 6. Establish and maintain land uses prescribed by the plan
 - 7. Make on demand the payments to be made by the Farmer under the plan



2.2 The Farmer shall carry out his obligations according to the specifications in the plan.

3. THE COUNCILS OBLIGATION

3.1 The Council shall:

- 1. Carrying out any works in the plan to be undertaken by the Council
- 2. Make the grants to be paid by the Council under the plan
- 3. Provide the Farmer with technical advice and assistance until 30 June 1995
- 3.2 The Council shall carry out its obligations in accordance with the specifications in the plan.

4. GRANTS

- 4.1 Subject to 4.3 grants shall be paid by the Council at the percentage rates set out in the plan.
- 4.2 Any dollar figures (other than the property cap) shown in the plan are illustrative only and not binding on the Council.
- 4.3 The Crown grant payable by the Council shall not exceed (in dollars) the property cap set out in the plan. If further funds become available from the Crown, the Council may in its discretion make additional grants on the same terms and conditions that are set in this agreement and the plan.

5. FINANCIAL RECORDS

5.1 The Council shall open a property account to record all transactions for implementation of the plan.

6. INFORMATION

- 6.1 The Farmer shall, on request, supply any information requested by the Council on:
 - 1. Implementation of the plan
 - 2. Execution of the works described in the plan
 - 3. Maintenance of the works



- 4. The Farmers land management practices
- 5. Actual or potential uses of the land
- 6. Pest and noxious plant levels on the land
- 7. Rabbit control or eradication measures undertaken by the Farmer
- 8. The costs of implementing the plan
- 9. The costs of undertaking further or additional rabbit control or eradication measures
- The financial returns achieved by the Farmer in using the land and the costs incurred in obtaining those returns.

7. RIGHT OF ENTRY

- 7.1 The Council and MAF may, at any time, enter the land to:
 - 1. Inspect the land
 - 2. Monitor the implementation of the plan
 - 3. Evaluate the success of the plan
- 7.2 In carrying out an inspection the Council and/or MAF may use any vehicles and other equipment it considers necessary.
- 7.3 The Council and MAF shall give the Farmer notice before entering.

8. DISCLAIMER

- 8.1 The Farmer acknowledges:
 - 1. The Farmer has been offered an opportunity of receiving independent financial and farm management advice on the plan and its effects and implications
 - 2. The Farmer has entered into this Agreement solely in reliance upon the Farmers own judgement
 - 3. The Farmer has not entered into this Agreement in reliance upon or in consideration of any advice given or statement made by MAF or the Council
 - 4. The Farmer has been advised to obtain and has had the opportunity of receiving independent legal advice on the terms of this agreement and its effects and implications.

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9. URATION

- 9.1 Subject to clause 9.2 the Farmer's obligations under this Agreement shall end on 30 June 2010.
- 9.2 The Farmer shall not remove any trees planted under the plan without the Council's written consent before 30 June 2020.
- 10. FURTHER RABBIT CONTROL, ERADICATION AND LAND MANAGEMENT
- The Farmer shall, from 30 June 1995, be responsible for taking any steps necessary to prevent rabbit numbers increasing above the levels attained between the period 1 April 1990 to 30 June 1995.
- 10.2 For this purpose the Farmer shall:
 - 1. Carry out at the Farmers own cost:
 - (i) all necessary control or eradication measures
 - (ii) all necessary works
 - (iii) all necessary maintenance of works
 - 2. Adopt any land management practices and land uses which may assist in preventing rabbit populations increasing.
- 1.3 If the Farmer fails to prevent rabbit populations increasing after 30 June 1995 the Council reserves the right to exercise its powers under the Agricultural Pest Destruction Act 1967, the Noxious Plants Act 1978, the Rating Powers Act 1988 and any other legislation administered by the Council. In particular (but without limiting the Councils powers) the Council may enter the land and carry out rabbit control or eradication measures, works, or maintenance of works, make and levy rates and recover any costs incurred by the Council from the Farmer.

DEFAULT BY THE FARMER

If the Farmer breaches this agreement and the breach is capable of being remedied then the Council shall serve a written notice on the Farmer describing the breach and



requiring the Farmer to remedy the breach within the time specified in the notice.

- 11.2 The time given to remedy the breach shall be a reasonable time having regard to the nature and effect of the breach and the means by which the breach can be remedied.
- 1.3 If the breach cannot be remedied the Council shall give notice of the breach to the Farmer.
- 11.4 If the Farmer fails to remedy the breach within the time specified in the notice or if the breach is incapable of remedy the Farmer shall, upon demand, pay to the Council the amount of the grant actually paid by the Council under the plan to the date of demand by the Council under this agreement or such lesser sum as the Council decides should be repaid to the Council.
- 11.5 The amount recoverable by the Council under the preceding subclause shall be a reasonable sum having regard to the nature and effect of the breach.
- 1.6 If the Farmer is dissatisfied with:
 - 1. Council's finding that the Farmer is in breach of the agreement
 - 2. The time fixed by the Council to remedy any breach
 - 3. The sum payable by the Farmer under Clause 10.4

the Farmer may, within 14 days of receiving notice of the breach, or as the case may be, the notice of demand he may by written notice to the Council refer the matter to arbitration for determination.

ARBITRATION

- 2.1 Any dispute between the Council and the Farmer under this agreement shall be referred to arbitration.
- The dispute shall be determined by a single arbitrator appointed by the parties, or failing agreement the nominee of the Minister of the Environment or the Minister's delegate.
- Any reference to arbitration shall be deemed to be a submission to arbitration in terms of the Arbitration Act 1908.
 - he Arbitration Act 1908 shall apply to any arbitration under this agreement.



12.5 The award of the Arbitrator shall be final and binding on the parties.

13. SERVICE

- 13.1 Notices may be served on the Council by being delivered to the Council's principal office.
- 13.2 Notices may be served on the Farmer either:
 - 1. Personally; or
 - 2. By post; a notice sent by post shall be deemed to be served on the Farmer on the 7th day after posting unless the contrary is proved. It is sufficient that the notice be addressed to the Farmer's last known address or to the address of the land.

14. ENFORCEMENT

- 14.1 This agreement is a land improvement agreement under Section 30(3) and 30A of the Soil Conservation and Rivers Control Act 1941.
- 14.2 All the provisions of those Sections shall apply to this agreement.
- 14.3 Any sum payable to the Council under clause 10.4 may be recovered by the Council under Section 30A of the Soil Conservation and Rivers Control Act 1941.
- 4.4 This agreement shall bind the Farmer and the Farmer's successors in title.
- 34.5 The Council shall register this agreement against the title to the land.

PERSONAL LIABILITY OF THE FARMER

- 5.1 The Farmer shall be personally liable under this agreement to the extent provided by this agreement and Section 30A of the Soil Conservation and Rivers Control Act 1941.
- 5.2 If the Farmer is two or more persons then the liability shall be joint and several.

VARIATIONS

This agreement (including the plan) may be varied by the parties.



- 16.2 Any variation shall be in writing.
- 16.3 No variation shall have effect until approved by MAF.
- 16.4 Any variation may be registered against the title to the land.

17. AGREEMENT CONDITIONAL UPON GOVERNMENT FUNDING

- 17.1 This agreement is conditional upon the Crown paying to the Council annually during the period 1 April 1990 to 30 June 1995 the money necessary to enable the Council to pay the Crown grants set out in the plan up to the level of the property cap.
- 17.2 This condition is a condition subsequent.
- 17.3 If the Crown fails to provide the Council with funds then the Council shall give notice to the Farmer. This notice shall relieve the Farmer and the Council from further performance of this agreement except that:
 - 1. Works commenced shall be completed.
 - 2. Works (excluding removal or planting of vegetation) completed shall be maintained by the Farmer until 30 June 2010.
 - 3. Any trees already planted shall not be removed without the Council's written consent before 30 June 2020.
 - 4. The Farmer shall continue land management practices and land uses already adopted in accordance with the plan until 30 June 2000.
 - 5. The Farmer shall maintain any areas stripped of or planted with vegetation until 30 June 2000.
 - 6. The provisions of clauses 5, 6, 7, 8, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14, 15, 16, 18 and 19 of this Agreement shall continue to apply.

MAF'S RIGHTS

- The rights and powers conferred on MAF by this agreement are "benefits" and MAF is "a beneficiary" for the purposes of the Contract (Privity) Act 1982.
- MAF may enforce any provisions for its benefit as if it were a party to this agreement in accordance with the terms of this agreement and the provisions of the Contracts (Privity) Act 1982.



19. INTERPRETATION

- 19.1 "Council" includes its officers, employees, agents and independent contractors.
- 19.2 "Farmer" includes any person acquiring the Farmer's interest in the land.
- 19.3 "Crown Grant" means the money payable by the Crown to the Council under the plan.
- 19.4 "Land Management" includes:
 - Adhering to specific livestock levels.
 - 2. Using particular feed production techniques
 - 3. Using particular livestock types and breeds
 - 4. Implementing particular grazing programmes
 - 5. Grazing land or parts of the land at particular times and/or under particular conditions
 - 6. Supply livestock with specified feed
 - 7. Retiring land from use by livestock
 - 8. Spelling land from use by livestock
- 19.5 "MAF" is the Ministry of Agriculture and Fisheries and includes its officers, employees, agents and independent contractors.
- 19.6 The Property Cap" is the maximum dollar amount of the Crown grants payable by the Council under the plan; the property cap is set out in the plan.
- 9.7 "Rabbit control and eradication measures" include;
 - 1. Aerial and ground poisoning
 - 2. Aerial and ground shooting
 - 3. Fumigation
 - 4. Trapping
 - 5. Any authorised biological methods

and includes both primary and secondary control operations.

8 The "Rabbit and Land Management Programme" is the programme created by agreement between the Council and Crown dated 19 December 1990.



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- 1. Access tracking
- 2. Fencing and erection of structures
- 3. Removal of vegetation
- 4. Planting of vegetation
- Repair and replacement of existing works 5.
- 6. Upgrading existing works
- 7. Habitat modification
- 19.10 References to the singular include the plural and vice versa.
- 19.11 References to any statutes include any Acts amending or replacing any statutes.

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