

Crown Pastoral Land Tenure Review

Lease name: THE GRAMPIANS

Lease number: PT 022

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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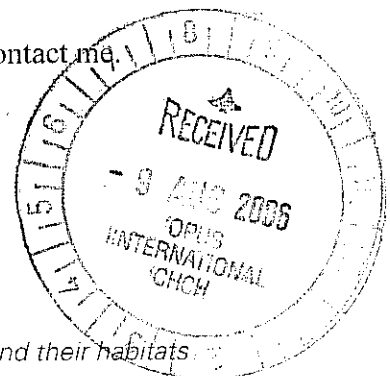
FISH AND GAME RESOURCES REPORT FOR THE GRAMPIANS

The Grampians covers over 16 000 hectares and is situated on the south eastern flank of the Mackenzie Basin. The Grampians is well suited for populations of upland gamebirds. Californian quail utilise suitable habitat on the lower slopes and mainly the scrub filled valleys. Habitat extends to, and in places, overlaps habitat of chukor found on the upper slopes and tops at altitudes of up to 2000 metres. In recent times, since the introduction of the rabbit control virus RCD, upland gamebird populations, which were previously suppressed by the spread of 1080 poison baits, have responded well. Where the virus has been successful, landowners and hunters report increased populations of both quail and chukor species.

The Grampians has long been known for its upland gamebird population and hunting is available with landowner permission. Fish and Game are seeking formal public access for recreational purposes onto these areas.

Grays River forms part of the property boundary to the North. This small river is a reputable brown trout fishery and well used by anglers. To the east the boundary includes parts of Dalgety Stream a tributary to the upper Hakataramea River. This small creek is one of the last known Brook Char habitats in the catchment. In the lower reaches both brown and rainbow trout have been observed spawning and juveniles of both species are located throughout the stream's length. The Dalgety Stream is an important contributor to the Hakataramea River which historically suffers extreme low flows most years, during summer and autumn.

If you require any further information, please do not hesitate to contact me.

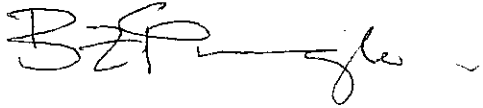


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Yours Sincerely

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