



ENVIRONMENTAL RESERVES

Omnibus Management Plan

2011

*Environmental
Reserves*



RESERVES ACT 1977

Section 41

The Omnibus Management Plan for Environmental Reserves was approved by the Invercargill City Council by resolution passed at its meeting held on 22 November 2011. All submissions, objections and suggestions relating to the Management Plan had been disposed of and suggestions allowed.

The Management Plan shall come into operation from 1 December 2011 and shall remain operative for a period of ten years.

Dated at INVERCARGILL this 19th day of December 2011.



Mayor of the City of Invercargill

Chief Executive Officer

ENVIRONMENTAL RESERVES:

Beaconsfield Road Esplanade Reserve

Colyers Island Esplanade Reserve

Forde Road Esplanade Reserve

Grant Road Reserve

Joeys Island

John Street Reserve

Matua Road Reserve

Mclvor Road Esplanade Reserve

Mersey Street Esplanade Reserve

Metcalf Bush Reserve

Mill Road Esplanade Reserve

Ocean Beach Esplanade Reserve

Omaui Reserve

Oteramika Road Esplanade Reserve

Parnell Sanctuary Reserve

Paterson Reserve

Racecourse Road Esplanade Reserve

Red Tussock Reserve

Liddel Street Esplanade Reserve

Seaward Bush Reserve

Short Road Esplanade Reserve

Stirling Point Pilot Station Esplanade Reserve

Taiepa Dune Reserve

Tikore Island

Waihopai River Esplanade Reserve

MANAGEMENT PLAN

ENVIRONMENTAL RESERVES

December 2011 – December 2021

P R E F A C E

This Environmental Reserves Management Plan has been prepared in compliance with Section 41 of the Reserves Act 1977.

The purpose of this Management Plan is to provide for and ensure the use, enjoyment, maintenance, protection and preservation as the case may require and, to the extent that the administering body's resources permit, the development of the reserves for the purposes for which they are classified, and shall incorporate and ensure compliance with the principles set out in the appropriate sections of the Act.

This plan shall be held under regular review to ensure that it remains relevant to changing circumstances and demands.

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PARKS MANAGER

1 December 2011

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1.0 INTRODUCTION

1.1 INVERCARGILL RESERVES

The Invercargill City Council Parks Division manages 161 parks and reserves covering around 3000 hectares. Parks and reserves contain a range of amenity values including playgrounds, sports fields, formal gardens and areas of native vegetation and wildlife.

Council is required by legislation to prepare management plans on the reserves it manages. Management Plans contain policies on the long-term maintenance and development of the reserves. They are prepared, following public consultation, to ensure the needs of the community and interest groups are captured and reflected in the plan.

Environmental reserves are assets held and managed by Council for the purpose of environmental protection and passive recreation.

This Management Plan has been prepared for twenty five of the reserves that come under the category of "environmental reserves". Council categorises reserves for ease of management and assists with setting management objectives and funding priorities.

Environmental Reserves are made up predominantly of natural areas and contain remnants of forest, tussock or grassland, wetlands or sand dunes. They have significant scenic, historic or environmental values that set them apart from other reserves.

1.2 RESERVE CLASSIFICATION

Legislation requires reserves to be classified under the Reserves Act 1977 according to their principal or primary purpose. Council manages reserves with Recreation, Scenic and Local Purpose classifications.

The primary purpose of these classifications can be summarised as:

Recreation

Providing areas for recreation with an emphasis on the retention of open space and on outdoor recreational activities (the majority of reserves in Invercargill have this classification).

Scenic

Preserving the indigenous flora and fauna, indigenous associations, and natural environment and beauty, for the benefit, enjoyment and use of the public.

Local Purpose

Land reserved for the purpose of providing and retaining areas for educational, community, social, or other local purposes as specified in the classification.

Reserves are classified to ensure their control, management, development, use and preservation is for the appropriate purposes. Each reserve classification has unique management objectives which must be considered when their policies are set.

Objective:

- *To provide, protect and enhance the amenity, recreational, environmental, scenic and historic values of reserves in the Invercargill district while providing public access where appropriate.*

Policy:

- 1.2.1 The land within each of the twenty five environmental reserves covered by this Management Plan shall be managed in compliance with Sections 17, 19 and 23 of the Reserves Act 1977.
- 1.2.2 It is foreshadowed that, as a consequence of this management plan, classification of some individual reserves may change in the future to that of Scenic Reserve. Classification changes are noted in each individual reserve section.

1.3 HOW THIS MANAGEMENT PLAN WORKS

This management plan contains two sections – one **General** section containing policies common to each of the twenty five reserves in this plan and an **Individual Reserve** section, which provides a description of each reserve and contains any specific policy required for the individual reserve.

Policy:

- 1.3.1 Where any issue on a reserve is addressed by the General Policies section and the Individual Reserve section, then the policy of the Individual Reserve Section takes precedence.

1.4 PRESENT MANAGEMENT

Environmental reserves in this plan are under the control and management of the Invercargill City Council Parks Division. The Parks Division is responsible for the development, maintenance and general administration of the reserves.

1.5 MANAGEMENT PLAN FOR ENVIRONMENTAL RESERVES

This omnibus management plan has been prepared for those reserves that are considered to be of a similar type, or reserves that do not have a current management plan in place, including Esplanade Reserves, that are managed by Council.

Management policies within this management plan have been included to reflect the needs of current and future users and to be consistent with current 'best practice' management procedures.

The environmental reserves in this management plan are:

- 1.5.1 Beaconsfield Road Esplanade Reserve (Local Purpose)
- 1.5.2 Colyers Island Esplanade Reserve (Local Purpose)
- 1.5.3 Forde Road Esplanade Reserve (Local Purpose)
- 1.5.4 Grant Road Reserve (Recreation)
- 1.5.5 Joeys Island (Scenic)
- 1.5.6 John Street Reserve (Recreation)
- 1.5.7 Liddel Street Esplanade Reserve (Local Purpose)
- 1.5.8 Mclvor Road Esplanade Reserve (Local Purpose)
- 1.5.9 Matua Road Reserve (Recreation)
- 1.5.10 Mersey Street Esplanade Reserve (Local Purpose)
- 1.5.11 Metcalf Bush Reserve (Scenic)
- 1.5.12 Mill Road Esplanade Reserve (Local Purpose)
- 1.5.13 Ocean Beach Esplanade Reserve (Local Purpose)
- 1.5.14 Omaui Reserve (Recreation)
(replacing Omaui Reserve Management Plan 1994 - 2004)
- 1.5.15 Oteramika Road Esplanade Reserve (Local Purpose)
- 1.5.16 Parnell Sanctuary Reserve (Scenic)
- 1.5.17 Paterson Reserve (Local Purpose)
- 1.5.18 Racecourse Road Esplanade Reserve (Local Purpose)
- 1.5.19 Red Tussock Reserve (Scenic)
- 1.5.20 Seaward Bush (Scenic)
(replacing Seaward Bush Management Plan 1994 – 2004)
- 1.5.21 Short Road Esplanade Reserve (Local Purpose)
- 1.5.22 Stirling Point Pilot Station Esplanade Reserve (Local Purpose)
(replacing Stirling Point Pilot Station Reserve Management Plan 2006-2016)
- 1.5.23 Taiepa Dune Reserve (Recreation and Scenic)
- 1.5.24 Tikore Island (Scenic)
- 1.5.25 Waihopai River Esplanade Reserve (Local Purpose)

Note: each numbered environmental reserve in 1.5 matches with the numbers on the Location Plan 1.6.

1.6 LOCATION PLAN

