

### Waimea Inlet Forum

DOC staff are still controlling outcrops of *spartina* in the estuary. Possibility of a drone to spot these which would make this job easier and more efficient.

Predator Free NZ, in conjunction with Tasman Environmental Trust, was hoping to get every household to buy and use a rat trap. They are grateful to Abby Boffa who volunteered to lead the project in the Mapua area.

Application has been made to the Lotteries Grant for funding for a 'Weeding Controller' and an outside professional to prepare a PR pamphlet. This would outline the Waimea Inlet project and offer advice to private property owners who wish to plant ecologically.

Trap lines are being extended.

Terms of reference have been developed for a Waimea Inlet Co-ordinating Group which will conduct a Strategy review, set priorities and ensure action and monitoring.

A draft Action Plan was circulated for future discussion.