

Waimea Inlet Forum –16 September 2019, 4.0pm in Mapua hall.

1. Discussion on David Sissons' draft submission , for the forum, on TDC's consultation on coastal management, in and around the Waimea Inlet. Main points are:
  - *"maintaining natural functions of the inlet and representative habitats under changing conditions of sea level rise"* so that *"natural ecosystems can persist as sea levels rise and climate related impacts intensify"*.
  - Commend the council's *"adaptive planning approach"* and emphasises its importance for *"ecological processes"* to be protected.
  - *"Living Shorelines"* are encouraged.
2. One Billion Trees project – TET sent in an application for trees. TDC, NCC and some private reserves will benefit. TET will advertise for a Project Co-ordinator. Trees should be planted on appropriate sites for long term survival.
3. A grant from TDC covers cost of meetings, forums and webmap development for 12 months.
4. Significant Natural Areas(SNAs) researched by Michael North will be included on the webmap. The map will be active and layered. A copy to be sent in with the coastal management submission.
5. Report on Nelson Biodiversity Forum. Several groups have been formed to cover various environmental topics. WIF representative in the marine group led by Peter Lawless. A Tasman Bay action plan is being formulated and includes Marlborough. Topics will include sources of sediment. Fisheries are more supportive.
6. A TDC Biostrategy governance group will provide strategic direction and action priorities for Biodiversity and Biosecurity initiatives within the district. Comprises 15 council and community members who will complete the work by June 2021. (See TDC website)
7. Sewage submission on hold because Regional Sewage Unit needed more information. Hearings to be from 11 to 13 November. Recommendations by David Manning will be made public in October.
8. Nelson and Tasman biodiversity co-ordinating group will hold a sediment control workshop for builders.
9. TET and TDC regional coordinators drawing up a predator control strategy for area around the Waimea inlet.

