



## WAI WĀNAKA JOBS FOR NATURE PROGRAMME

WAI Wānaka is a community organisation originally formed to ensure the protection and restoration of freshwater ecosystems in the Upper Clutha catchment.

The Community Catchment Plan (CCP), which was finalised in March 2020, identified HEALTHY ECOSYSTEMS and COMMUNITY WELLBEING as the key priorities for the Upper Clutha community across urban, rural and tourism sectors. The CCP identified 60 actions required to address current and future risks to these themes.

Having identified actions not covered by other agencies or community groups, WAI Wānaka has received \$3m over three years from the MPI's Productive and Sustainable Land Use fund to create jobs to carry out on-farm activities in the Upper Clutha that lead to:

- IMPROVED FRESHWATER
- IMPROVED BIOSECURITY
- ENHANCED BIODIVERSITY

To achieve these outcomes within WAI Wānaka's whole of basin approach, we have developed strategies across the workstreams below. With funding from MPI, we are able to provide farmers with a team of motivated and trained staff to carry out work to meet both personal environmental goals as well as regulatory and industry accreditation requirements. WAI Wānaka is working with action groups to increase the effectiveness of these activities.



### FRESHWATER MONITORING

*Understanding aquatic health and diversity on-farm.*



### BIODIVERSITY MONITORING

*Understanding terrestrial life and habitats on-farm.*



### PLANTING AND PLANT MAINTENANCE

*Planting (native and non-native), plant maintenance, carbon.*



### WEED PEST CONTROL

*Pest plants identified as a threat nationally, regionally, or property specific.*



### ANIMAL PEST CONTROL

*Rabbits, possums, mustelids and other.*

## WOULD YOU LIKE FURTHER INFORMATION?

Get in touch! We're more than happy to chat through what you're wanting to achieve on your property and how we can assist. WAI Wānaka has 10 people out on farms everyday helping farmers achieve their environmental goals.

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