



Reseeding Overview

Reseeding Co-ordination Committee

- Logic –
 - transfer of knowledge and ideas
 - prevent wasting money by repeating research,
 - building up the networks of contacts and relationships
 - bulk buying or avoiding competition for research dollars etc
- Made up of representatives from Pau3, 4, 5 and 7.
- We have had two meetings this year with a good transfer of knowledge and ideas.
- Minutes / presentations available.
- Later on this year we will work on a Handbook which will summarize the NZ reseeding projects and provide photos / data etc.
- Promotional material is available – photos / screen saver / Power Point show.

PauMac3

- Continuing with their programme.
- They have had trouble sourcing seed this year.
- Looking to increase budget to \$500/tonne for the coming season (for seeds).
- Unique problem with poachers taking juvenile paua from under rocks at low water.

PauaMac4

- Have completed some preliminary site surveys (Back Coast has the best potential)
- 22,000 seeds out-planted in February
- Size versus survival study to proceed when weather is suitable.
- Approach needs revisiting because of extensive habitat on the Back Coast
- Next year = Similar budget to this year

PauaMac5

- 170,000 seeds have now been out-planted (Pau5B TBG fine scale management project) to a number of different sites. Some of the Mutton Bird Island landing sites have been reseeded.
- Mfish permission obtained to transfer Pau5B seed to Pau5A and Pau5D. Useful exercise and room for better efficiencies - hatchery accreditation etc
- Bob Street contracted to:
 - Set up small out-planting trials in Pau5A and Pau5D (aimed at getting awareness up – commercial and recreation).
 - Part with some of his 15 years of data from his on-going reseeded work (site selection is already showing benefits)
 - Run a small spat catching trial (during spawning)
 - Trial different out-planting techniques.
- Next year = Similar budget to this year

PauaMac7

- 100,000 seeds now out-planted over 30 sites.
- There are 8 main sites which are being used for the surveys.
- Liz Keys (Waikato University MSc student) has completed her thesis.
- The 18 month surveys looking at Growth and Survival to 60mm have been completed for 5 of the 8 sites.
- More survey work to happen in 2005/06.
- They have \$40,000 of existing funding so no levy for the 2005/06 year.