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Subject: RE: GDS Index – confirming joint strategies (MPI, DOC, and LINZ)

Tēnā koe Wendy,

We trust this answers your question. If you have any further questions, please let us know.

Ngā mihi,

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Subject: RE: GDS Index – confirming joint strategies (MPI, DOC, and LINZ)

Kia ora Wendy,

We agree with your option a) below. While other government agencies help implement the NZ Wilding Conifer Management Strategy (and are represented on joint agency groups), MPI is the lead agency.

Apologies for the error.

Kind regards

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From: Wendy McGuinness <wmcg@mcguinnessinstitute.org>
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Kia ora,

Thank you for responding to our OIA requests. As part of our consolidation process, we check GDS OIA responses for inconsistencies across different departments.

As part of this process, we have noticed that we have received inconsistent responses about the following strategy (see table below). We have the following question regarding this strategy.

We note that the strategy (p. 8) says:

This strategy development was led by MPI, informed by a multi-stakeholder working group, and tested widely through the NZWCMG and other relevant forums. Members of the strategy working group cover a range of perspectives including Department of Conservation (DOC), Land Information New Zealand (LINZ), New Zealand Defence Force, regional councils, district councils, Scion, New Zealand Forest Owners Association, Federated Farmers, community groups and MPI.

From reading this, it appears that MPI is the lead agency, and LINZ and DOC are support agencies (rather than holding this themselves). This is consistent with what LINZ advised; 'It is an MPI strategy that LINZ does assist with, but is not a strategy of our own.' Can you confirm that, either:

- a. This is correct - therefore MPI will be listed as the lead for this GDS, it will be removed from DOC's GDS list; or
- b. This is incorrect - therefore this GDS should remain jointly held between MPI and DOC.

Name of strategy	Publication Date	Duration	GDS replaces	Jointly held?	Transferred from	Link to GDS
Appear to refer to the same strategy: New Zealand Wilding Conifer Management Strategy 2015–2030 [per MPI] Wilding Pines Management Strategy [per DOC]	Dec 2014	2015-2030	N/A	MPI, DOC, LINZ and NZDF [per MPI] DOC, LINZ, NZDF [per DOC]	N/A	https://www.wildingpines.nz/assets/Documents/2014-new-zealand-wilding-conifer-management-strategy.pdf [per MPI] https://www.doc.govt.nz/nature/pests-and-threats/weeds/common-weeds/wilding-conifers/ [per DOC]

It would be great if you could confer with each other and get back to us with the correct information. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to get in contact.

Best wishes,

Wendy

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