

Vote Lands

MINISTER(S) RESPONSIBLE FOR APPROPRIATIONS: Minister for Land Information (M44)

ADMINISTERING DEPARTMENT: Land Information New Zealand

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Overview of the Vote

The Minister for Land Information is responsible for appropriations in the Vote for the 2008/09 financial year covering the following:

- a total of just over \$2.500 million for policy advice about land information
- a total of over \$10 million for standards and quality assurance for the regulation of (i) Crown property management, acquisition and disposal; (ii) property valuation for rating purposes; (iii) the collection, authorisation, management and dissemination of information associated with the lands rights register; geodetic and cadastral survey reference systems, and topographic and hydrographic information systems; and (iv) the provision of advice and decisions regarding overseas investment in New Zealand
- a total of just over \$78 million for services associated with the collection, authorisation, management and dissemination of land information
- a total of just over \$23 million for the delivery of Crown property management, acquisition and disposal services
- a total of \$500,000 for remedial work on Crown and private land and property
- a total of just over \$20 million on other expenses to be incurred by the Crown, including: (i) a total of \$17 million to pay Transit New Zealand the equivalent of what the Crown has received from the sales of Transit properties; (ii) a total of just over \$1 million for the payment of rates on Crown-owned land; (iii) a total of almost \$1 million for the investigation and resolution of land related liabilities administered by the department; and (iv) other expenses including the loss on disposal of properties arising from Crown obligations, management of Crown forest properties, bad and doubtful debts, depreciation of buildings on Crown land, write-down of maps and chart stock and the payment of leasehold liabilities on residual surplus government accommodation administered by the Department
- a total of over \$11 million for capital expenditure on the acquisition of lessees' interest in pastoral leases (through a multi-year appropriation) as well as the acquisition of properties arising from Crown obligations.

Details of these appropriations are set out in Parts 2-6 for Vote Lands in the Information Supporting the Estimates of Appropriations.

Details of Appropriations

Details of Annual and Permanent Appropriations

Titles and Scopes of Appropriations by Appropriation Type	2007/08		2008/09
	Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Departmental Output Expenses			
Crown Property Management and Disposal Services (M44) The management and disposal of the Crown's interest in land and property (outside of the conservation estate) and acquisition, management and disposal of land and property administered by the department on behalf of the Crown.	20,489	15,989	23,429
Land and Seabed Data Capture and Processing (M44) The collection and authorisation of land data and information in accordance with the regulatory frameworks.	48,790	45,090	42,953
Land and Seabed Information Access and Dissemination (M44) The provision of access to, and dissemination of, information held by LINZ.	5,208	5,118	4,724
Land and Seabed Information Storage and Management (M44) Ensuring that the security and management of LINZ's databases and systems for land information are managed effectively and efficiently.	34,217	31,422	31,341
Oceans Survey 20/20 Programme (M44) This appropriation is limited to the undertaking of initiatives within the Oceans Survey 20/20 Programme.	6,671	6,671	5,861
Policy Advice (M44) Policy advice to the Government and Minister, relating to land and property information and providing support to the Minister.	2,521	2,521	2,625
Standards and Quality Assurance (M44) Ensuring that the regulatory frameworks that create and protect property rights, and protect the public interest in Crown property management, rating valuations and the land information for which LINZ is responsible, are managed effectively and that delivery against the frameworks is quality assured.	10,247	9,897	10,423
Total Departmental Output Expenses	128,143	116,708	121,356
Non-Departmental Output Expenses			
Contaminated Sites (M44) Analysis, investigation and, where necessary, appropriate remedial action on contaminated sites for which the Crown has accepted responsibility.	450	450	500
Lakes (M44) Project site work on hydro lakes and surrounding areas to rationalise and maintain lake assets	248	248	-
Total Non-Departmental Output Expenses	698	698	500

Titles and Scopes of Appropriations by Appropriation Type	2007/08		2008/09
	Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Non-Departmental Other Expenses			
Bad and Doubtful Debts (M44) This appropriation is limited to the provision for writing off bad and doubtful debts.	25	25	25
Crown Forest Management (M44) Management of Crown forest properties and licences, including settling reviews, interest liability and GST on refunded fees.	600	600	500
Crown Obligations - Loss on Disposal (M44) Loss on disposal of properties arising from Crown obligations including the return of gifted land to the donor at nil value.	544	544	267
Crown Rates (M44) Payment of rates on Crown land and surplus government properties administered by the department on behalf of the Crown.	1,107	1,107	1,107
Depreciation (M44) This appropriation is limited to depreciation of buildings on surplus Crown land.	172	172	172
Inventory Write-Offs (M44) Write-down of maps and charts stock.	44	44	44
Land Liabilities (M44) Investigation and resolution, including legal costs and settlement, of land-related liabilities administered by the department.	1,859	1,859	843
Proceeds from Sale of Transit NZ Properties (M44) To pay Transit NZ the equivalent of what the Crown has received from the sales of Transit properties.	12,000	12,000	17,000
Residual Crown Leasehold Rents (M44) Leasehold liabilities paid on residual surplus government accommodation administered by the department on behalf of the Crown.	337	337	396
Impact of covenant on value of land prior to sale (M44) The reduction in value of approximately 50,000 hectares in the selection unit areas on offer to Te Arawa KEC located in the central North Island, from the imposition of a covenant to prevent deforestation for twenty eight (28) years and to exclude the land owners from future compensation and benefits in relation to this land.	85,000	-	-
Total Non-Departmental Other Expenses	101,688	16,688	20,354
Departmental Capital Expenditure			
Land Information New Zealand - Capital Expenditure PLA (M44) This appropriation is limited to the purchase or development of assets by and for the use of the Land Information New Zealand, as authorised by section 24(1) of the Public Finance Act 1989	9,374	9,374	4,698
Total Departmental Capital Expenditure	9,374	9,374	4,698
Non-Departmental Capital Expenditure			
Crown Acquisitions - Huntly East (M44) Acquisition of properties falling within Cabinet's approved policy area for Huntly East subsidence zone.	263	263	500
Crown Obligatory Acquisitions (M44) Acquisition of properties arising from Crown obligations including gifted land.	504	504	267

	2007/08		2008/09
	Budgeted \$000	Estimated Actual \$000	Budget \$000
Titles and Scopes of Appropriations by Appropriation Type			
Access rights to crown forest licensed land. (M44) This appropriation is limited to the purchase of access rights over land adjoining Crown forest licensed land in order that the Crown forest licensed land may be more easily accessed.	5,000	-	-
Crown Purchases- Land Exchanges (M44) Acquisition of land from Territorial Authorities and other Crown agencies to effect boundary adjustments for works such as roading and rail service improvements.	26	26	-
Total Non-Departmental Capital Expenditure	5,793	793	767
Total Annual and Permanent Appropriations	245,696	144,261	147,675

Multi-Year Appropriations

Type, Title, Scope and Period of Appropriations	Appropriation	\$000
Non-Departmental Capital Expenditure		
Land Tenure Reform Acquisitions (M44)	Original Appropriation	40,000
Acquisition, including outright purchase, of lessees' interest in pastoral lease land that is deemed to have high conservation values.	Adjustments to 2006/07	2,090
Commences: 1 July 2005	Adjustments for 2007/08	393
Expires: 30 June 2008	Adjusted Appropriation	42,483
	Actual to 2006/07 Year End	15,054
	Estimated Actual for 2007/08	27,429
	Estimated Actual for 2008/09	-
	Estimated Appropriation Remaining	-
Land Tenure Reform Acquisitions (M44)	Original Appropriation	32,001
This appropriation is limited to the acquisition of the lessees' interest in pastoral lease land and purchase of any land and/or assets required to complete the acquisition of lessee interest in order to achieve Tenure Review outcomes under the Crown Pastoral Land Act 1998, or to achieve Government high country objectives.	Adjustments to 2006/07	-
Commences: 1 July 2008	Adjustments for 2007/08	-
Expires: 30 June 2011	Adjusted Appropriation	32,001
	Actual to 2006/07 Year End	-
	Estimated Actual for 2007/08	-
	Estimated Actual for 2008/09	16,560
	Estimated Appropriation Remaining	15,441

Details of Projected Movements in Departmental Net Assets

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Details of Net Asset Schedule	Estimated Actual 2007/08 \$000	Projected 2008/09 \$000	Explanation of Projected Movements in 2008/09
Opening Balance	38,904	38,904	
Capital Injections	12,901	10,620	
Capital Withdrawals	-	-	
Surplus to be Retained (Deficit Incurred)	(12,901)	(10,620)	
Other Movements	-	23,521	This is a non-cash movement to cover the forecast output deficits.
Closing Balance	38,904	62,425	