

VOTE

Environment

Footnote

Note 1 Appropriations are GST inclusive (where applicable).

Environment

VOTE MINISTER: Minister for the Environment

ADMINISTERING DEPARTMENT: Ministry for the Environment

The Minister for the Environment is the Responsible Minister for the Ministry for the Environment

Part B - Statement of Appropriations (see note 1)

Summary of 1999/2000 Appropriations

Types of Appropriation	Appropriations to be Used				Total Appropriations \$000
	By the Department Administering the Vote		For Non-Departmental Transactions		
	Annual \$000	Other \$000	Annual \$000	Other \$000	
Operating Flows					
Classes of Outputs to be Supplied	17,908	-	12,224	-	30,132
Benefits and Other Unrequited Expenses	-	-	-	-	-
Borrowing Expenses	-	-	-	-	-
Other Expenses	-	-	234	-	234
Capital Flows					
Capital Contributions	-	-	-	-	-
Purchase or Development of Capital Assets	-	-	-	-	-
Repayment of Debt	-	-	-	-	-
Total Appropriations for 1999/2000	17,908	-	12,458	-	30,366
Total 1999/2000 Main Estimates Appropriations	18,431	-	13,506	-	31,937

Part B1 - Details of 1999/2000 Appropriations

Appropriations	1999/2000						Purpose of and Reasons for Change in 1999/2000 Appropriations
	Main Estimates		Supplementary Estimates		Cumulative Vote		
	Annual \$000	Other \$000	Annual \$000	Other \$000	Annual \$000	Other \$000	
Departmental Output Classes (Mode B Gross)							
D1 Environmental Policy Advice	17,936	-	(787)	-	17,149	-	Advice on environmental policies and issues to achieve a healthy environment which sustains nature and people. The Supplementary Estimates adjustment provides for an expense transfer to the 2000/01 year (\$511,000) for biodiversity and carbon monitoring; an expense transfer to D2 Administration of the Sustainable Management Fund and Residual Catchment Grant (\$264,000) due to an increase in operating and associated overhead costs; an expense transfer to non-departmental other expenses for the Framework Convention on Climate Change (\$12,000); an increase for the National Science Strategy Committee for Climate Change (\$60,000) and a reflection of an unexpected decrease in other revenue (\$60,000).
D2 Administration of the Sustainable Management Fund and Residual Catchment Grant	495	-	264	-	759	-	Administration of the Sustainable Management Fund (SMF), including promotion of the SMF and development of SMF publications. Funding of projects through tendering and application processes, payments to providers, contract management, monitoring and auditing of funded projects. The Supplementary Estimates adjustment provides for an expense transfer from output class D1 for operating and associated overhead costs (\$264,000).
Total Appropriations for Departmental Output Classes (Mode B Gross)	18,431	-	(523)	-	17,908	-	

Non-Departmental Output Classes							
O1 Clean-up of Orphan Crown Contaminated Sites	2,590	-	(2,590)	-	-	-	- A contribution to assist the clean-up of orphan contaminated sites with priority being given for the site at Mapua, near Nelson. The Supplementary Estimates adjustment provides for an expense transfer to the 2000/01 year (\$3,690,000) to hold funds until clean-up trials have been completed and a transfer from O2 Development and Implementation of Sustainable Management for the Sustainable Management Fund/Crown contribution towards the Mapua clean-up (\$1,100,000).
O2 Development and Implementation of Sustainable Management	5,544	-	(1,100)	-	4,444	-	Projects that identify environmental risks and implement methods for addressing environmental problems; and projects for the developing and trialling of methods and options designed to enhance sustainable management of the environment. The Supplementary Estimates adjustment provides for a transfer to output class O1 Clean-Up of Orphan Crown Contaminated Sites (\$1,100,000) for the Sustainable Management Fund/Crown contribution towards the Mapua clean-up.
O3 Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Assessment and Management	4,500	-	830	-	5,330	-	Administration of the Hazardous Substances and New Organisms (HSNO) Act 1996 by the Environmental Risk Management Authority, to protect human health and the environment from the adverse effects posed by hazardous substances and new organisms. The Supplementary Estimates adjustment provides for an increase to fund the cost of public participation for new applications (\$830,000).
O4 Residual Catchment Works	200	-	-	-	200	-	Subsidy provided to the Waikato Regional Council for maintaining the Lower Waikato Flood Protection Scheme. This scheme is designed to provide flood protection to communities in the region.
O5 Sustainable Land Management: Promotion and Training	450	-	-	-	450	-	Promotion of sustainable land management practices through a national network of coordinators.
O6 Topoclimate Mapping	-	-	1,800	-	1,800	-	For the mapping of soils and climates in Southland and Otago to facilitate the growing of crops matched to land capability.
Total Appropriations for Non-Departmental Output Classes	13,284	-	(1,060)	-	12,224	-	

Part B1 - Details of 1999/2000 Appropriations (continued)

Appropriations	1999/2000						Purpose of and Reasons for Change in 1999/2000 Appropriations
	Main Estimates		Supplementary Estimates		Cumulative Vote		
	Annual \$000	Other \$000	Annual \$000	Other \$000	Annual \$000	Other \$000	
Other Expenses to be Incurred by the Crown							
Framework Convention on Climate Change	52	-	12	-	64	-	New Zealand's country contribution to the Framework Convention on Climate Change. The Supplementary Estimates adjustment provides for a transfer from departmental output class D1 Environmental Policy Advice to avoid unappropriated expenditure due to a weakness in the \$NZ against the \$US (\$12,000).
Montreal Protocol on Ozone Protection	20	-	-	-	20	-	New Zealand's country contribution to the Montreal Protocol on Ozone Protection.
Subscription to Basel Convention	14	-	-	-	14	-	New Zealand's ratification of the Basel Convention on the Control of Transboundary Movements of Hazardous Wastes and their Disposal.
United Nations Environment Programme	136	-	-	-	136	-	New Zealand's membership of the United Nations Environment Programme.
Total Appropriations for Other Expenses to be Incurred by the Crown	222	-	12	-	234	-	
Total Appropriations	31,937	-	(1,571)	-	30,366	-	

Part C - Explanation of Appropriations for Output Classes

Part C2 - Non-Departmental Output Classes

Output Class O6 – Topoclimate Mapping

Description

This non-departmental output class covers the purchase of topoclimate mapping in Otago and Southland. This work will be undertaken by Topoclimate South and local councils.

Quality spatial resource information is an important prerequisite for optimal resource management and sustainable land use decisions. Although there are large areas of high quality soils in Southland, the region is at the southern growing limits for a wide range of crops and plants. Topoclimate South's work involves the intensive mapping of 800,000ha of Southland's more productive soils (ie, soils of valley floors and river terraces) and their microclimates so as to improve the utilisation of land resources and, in particular, to identify appropriate areas for growing new crops.

Quantity, quality and timeliness

Crown funds are available for 1999/2000. The Ministry for the Environment will work with relevant regional councils to monitor land use changes as a result of this work.

Cost

1999/00	Total output class to be provided within (GST inclusive)	\$1,800,000
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Providers

Topoclimate South and local councils.

Part F - Crown Revenue and Receipts

Part F1 - Current and Capital Revenue and Receipts

	1999/2000			Explanation of 1999/2000 Crown Revenue
	Main Estimates \$000	Supplementary Estimates \$000	Total Budgeted \$000	
Current Revenue				
Non-Tax Revenue				
Catchment Works Loans-Interest	60	-	60	Interest earned on Catchment Works Loans.
Coastal Royalties	400	30	430	Royalties received for the occupation of coastal space and taking of sand and shingle. The Supplementary Estimates adjustment reflects higher than anticipated revenue (\$30,000).
RMA Fees and Charges	11	-	11	Fees and levies received under the RMA including applications for Heritage Protection Authorities, Requiring Authorities, and Water Conservation Orders.
Total Non-Tax Revenue	471	30	501	
Total Current Revenue	471	30	501	
Capital Receipts				
Catchment Works Loans-Principal	1,004	-	1,004	Principal repaid on Catchment Works Loans.
Total Capital Receipts	1,004	-	1,004	
Total Crown Revenue and Receipts	1,475	30	1,505	