




Green Network – Report Card					
Targets	Have targets been met?	Programmes/ Projects	Issues	Gaps	Sustainability Assessment
Ranges permanently protected	Of the 190 additional lots applied for Oct 1995 to April 2002 through subdivision applications in the Ranges and Foothills, 183 (96%) have been approved by Council or the Environment Court. (29 are still in process)	District Plan West Coast Plan Conservation covenants Education material	Death by a thousand cuts Conflict between environmental values and private property expectations. Who pays to protect the environment?	Analysis of legislative options for protection. Better Conservation/ stewardship incentives (External sources of funding?) Targeted work with landowners	<p>Protection of the Ranges</p>  <p>66% of Ranges is publically owned, but weeds, pests and “death by 1000 cuts” issues</p> <p><b>Green Network Linkages</b></p>
Healthy ecosystems throughout the green network (measured by the number and variety of native birds, fish)	<p>Bird counts in urban bush remnants record 4 native species at all 5 site. Overall bird numbers in the Ranges are low</p> <p>Fish counts appear to show increasing variety of fish (we may be getting better at finding them!)</p>	<p>-reserve and private land weed removal &amp; revegetation programmes</p> <p>-Community partnership programme</p> <p>-Reserve Management Plans</p> <p>-Twin Streams</p>	<p>-Land aquisition</p> <p>-Public Access on the linkages</p> <p>-Bridges required</p> <p>-Public and neighbour support</p> <p>-Habitat quality over time in urban forest remnants &amp; stream corridors</p>	<p>Monitoring of health of forest fragments</p> <p>Work with the public &amp; neighbours on the linkages</p>	 <p>Have significant esplanade land. Need a staged implementation programme</p> <p><b>Weeds, Pests and Restoration</b></p>
Key areas restored, Pests and weeds eradicated, reintroduction of species	<p>More than 80,000 eco-sourced native trees planted each year since 1998</p> <p>Huge range of people and groups working on Green Network projects.</p>	<p>-Weeds &amp; Stormwater Strategies &amp; Eco-sourcing Policy and Guidelines</p> <p>-Green Network Community &amp; Landowner Assistance,</p> <p>-Education material</p>	<p>-Harnessing community energy. &amp; building a shared vision</p> <p>-work alongside landowners</p>	<p>resources to work with individual landowners, landcare groups, schools and the community</p> <p>Greater support of community groups in projects such as ‘adopt a stream’</p>	 <p>We may be losing the battle with weeds</p>



**A continuous Green Network linking the Waitakere Ranges, along stream and bush networks, to the sea**