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# NATURAL ENVIRONMENT RECOVERY PROGRAMME: PROTECTING AND ENHANCING THE NATURAL ENVIRONMENT

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## Goal

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## Opportunity and Action

### Local stewardship of the natural environment

Encourage local stewardship of the coastal marine environment and the restoration of quake affected waterways by supporting local groups involved in their management such as the Kaikōura Marine Guardians and Waterzone Committee.

Monitor the health of coastal and river ecosystems.

### Manage construction and demolition waste

Ensure policies, plans and approaches are in place to safely manage construction and demolition wastes, such as building deconstruction, the reuse of materials and asbestos management. Ensure negative legacy issues are managed.

### Protect unique landscape features

Investigate opportunities to protect unique landscape features and areas of geological significance such as the newly expressed fault lines. Identify sites of significance and establish pathways for their protection. Explore related educational and tourism opportunities.

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Issue or opportunity	What is being done	What will be done (indicative cost) Low ● Med ●● High ●●●	
Construction and demolition waste	Funding application to MfE to manage local demolition waste. Building deconstruction project developed by KDC, Worksafe, ECan and stakeholders.  Kaikōura Zero Waste programme and Innovative Waste recycling services.	N1	Ensure policies, plans and approaches are in place to safely manage construction and demolition wastes, such as building deconstruction, the reuse of materials and asbestos management. Ensure negative legacy issues are managed. ●
Local stewardship of the natural environment	A temporary ban has been established on the public harvesting of seafood.  A range of activities help to manage environmental outcomes in Kaikōura such as Korowhai - the Kaikōura Marine Strategy, Waterzone Committee and the Kaikōura Earth Check, Energy and Biodiversity programmes.	N2	Encourage local stewardship of the coastal marine environment and the restoration of quake affected waterways by supporting local groups involved in their management such as the Kaikōura Marine Guardians and Waterzone Committee. ●
		N3	Monitor the health of coastal and river ecosystems.  Establish long term partnerships and actions to protect the unique natural environment of the District. ●
Protection of unique landscape features	Special landscape features are classified within the District Plan, Te Korowai Management Plan and the Tepohe Raumati Iwi Management Plan.  Geological features are mapped.	N4	Investigate opportunities to protect unique landscape features and areas of geological significance such as the newly expressed fault lines. ●
		N5	Identify sites of significance and establish pathways for their protection. ●
		N6	Explore related educational and tourism opportunities. ●

Indicative Timing	Potential Partners	How we know we are achieving the goals
1-5 years Review: 12 months	KDC ECan Innovative Waste Kaikōura	The Kaikōura Long Term Plan contains plans for safely managing construction and demolition waste.  Solid waste monitoring is in place.  Only approved asbestos handling contractors are used to remove and dispose of asbestos.  Illegal dumping is minimised.
Ongoing Review: 6 months	ECan KDC DOC Runanga Te Korowai MPI TRONT KK Zone Committee PauMAC3	Fish and shellfish stocks recover. Damaged river catchments are restored. Community involvement in conservation activities increases. Negative human impacts on the natural environment are minimised.
5-10 years Review: 24 months	KDC ECan Runanga	People recognise the importance of protecting the unique landscape features.  Landowners, where possible, preserve evidence of seismic activity and allow people access.  Reinstatement of transport networks and future development is sensitive to Kaikōura's natural features.