

F&B Manawatu July Monthly Meeting – will be via ZOOM
Tuesday 12th July @ 7.30 p.m.

Talk: “Every Wetland (doesn’t) Count(s): the Government’s proposal to allow industries to damage wetlands”

Speaker: Tom Kay, Forest and Bird Freshwater Advocate

Tom will talk about what’s proposed, why it’s so disastrous, and what Forest & Bird is doing in response.



Wetland clearance for pasture – Jackson Bay
Photo: provided

Last month, the Government released a consultation document confirming a proposal to allow ‘additional consenting pathways’ for a range of industries – including coal mining – to destroy wetlands. The ‘pathways’ are proposed as exceptions to the wetland protection rules in the 2020 National Environment Standard for Freshwater, and they’re potentially disastrous for the climate and biodiversity.



Denniston Wetland and Forest
Photo: Debs Martin

Wetlands play a vital role in the health of Aotearoa’s biodiversity and climate, providing vast and long-term carbon sequestration. The proposed exemptions have far-reaching implications for wetlands across New Zealand. They will enable dumps to destroy wetlands, urban development to drain waterways, and quarries around the country to bulldoze through fragile native ecosystems.

The link to our Webinar is:

F&B Manawatu Branch invites you to a scheduled Webinar meeting.

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Date & Time: Tuesday 12 July 2022 @ 07:30 PM Auckland, Wellington

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://forestandbird-org-nz.zoom.us/j/81136553113?pwd=bVFIIdzFSdkdUVVINTzUwZWZwUHJ4Zz09>

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