



F&B Manawatu May Monthly Meeting - will be via ZOOM
Tuesday 10th May 2022 @ 7.30 p.m.

**“F&B’s FRESHWATER ADVOCATE ON HORIZONS’ ORANGA WAI -
OUR FRESHWATER FUTURE”**

Talk: Forest & Bird’s freshwater advocate on Horizons’ Oranga Wai -
Our Freshwater Future

Speaker: Tom Kay, F&B Conservation Advocate - Freshwater



Join Tom Kay, Forest & Bird’s Conservation Advocate for Freshwater, for an update on how the national freshwater reforms are playing out, what Horizons Regional Council is doing to respond to them, and how Forest & Bird’s national office staff will be supporting the development of stronger rules for freshwater in the Horizons region in response to the recent freshwater reforms.

Forest & Bird has engaged in numerous processes like this before, both as a branch and with the support of our national office, and we’ll be engaging in this one too.

Horizons Regional Council has started developing its new plan under its Oranga Wai - Our Freshwater Future consultation program and is asking the community to help determine what ‘long term visions’ they have for freshwater in the region. This is one of the first steps required by the new legislation to improve the condition of our rivers, lakes, and streams, and will be followed by a lot more consultation in the lead up to the plan change before the end of 2024.

In 2020, the Government released the ‘Essential Freshwater’ package of legislative reform, with a vision to stop further degradation of freshwater, start making immediate improvements, and reverse past damage to bring our waterways and ecosystems to a healthy state within a generation. The package requires regional councils across Aotearoa to develop much stronger, updated plans for freshwater before the end of 2024.

The link to our Webinar is

Topic: Forest & Bird’s freshwater advocate on Horizons’ Oranga Wai - Our Freshwater Future

Time: Tues 10th May 2022 07:30 PM Auckland, Wellington

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