

Locations and Project Cost Estimates

Our strategy is to establish trap lines adjacent to the Whio and Takahe protection areas west of Te Anau so they complement DOC's existing conservation efforts. The first line was established in the Cozette/Camelot Valley west of Te Anau in October 2016 with 250 traps along 13km of river. The kill count was around 1000 in the first 12 months. This valley has a high Whio population with 20 ducks identified in the northern half of the valley during a January 2017 survey. DOC has offered multiple valleys of conservation value suitable for trapping including those tabulated below – click on the valleys for a map of each river;

VALLEY	LENGTH OF TRAPLINE	SETUP COST	ANNUAL COST	5 YEAR PROJECT COST	TRANSPORT COST/ADVANTAGES	DISADVANTAGES
FREEMAN BURN	11km	\$40k	\$9k boat \$13k Heli	\$85k boat \$105 Heli	Boat access \$495/trip Heli = \$1518/trip In Kiwi target area	Long walk from hut to end of line if using boat for maintenance trips
AWE BURN	11km	\$40k	\$9k boat \$13k Heli	\$85k boat \$105 Heli	Boat access \$495/trip Heli = \$1518/trip In Kiwi target area	Long walk from hut to end of line if using boat for maintenance trips
HIDDEN FALLS CREEK	8km	\$31.5k	\$10k	\$90k	Flat contour Fly from Glenorchy \$1060/trip Easy country Good Hunting territory	No fish
BOWEN RIVER	7km	\$26k	\$7k	\$61k	Close proximity to Milford Sound Chopper base reducing transport costs \$450+GST/trip	Drive to Milford No Fish or Deer
IRIS BURN	7km	\$29.4k	\$10.3k	\$81k	Shorter Flight \$1380/trip	
DIAMOND CREEK	5km	\$20k	\$6.5k	\$53k	Short line Short Flight from Milford Sound \$600+GST/Trip	Difficult bush – needs track cutting
TALBOT RIVER	5km	\$20k	\$6.5k	\$53k	Short line Short Flight from Milford Sound \$600+GST/Trip	Drive to Milford
SURPRISE CREEK	5km	\$20.5k	\$7k	\$56k	Short line Short Flight from Milford Sound \$800+GST/Trip	Drive to Milford

