

Number crunching for community conservation

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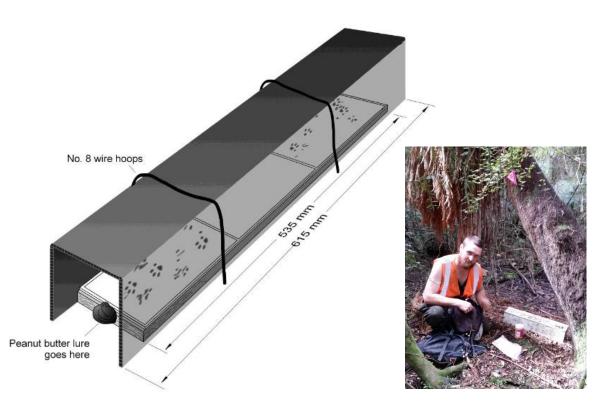


Overview

- What does Environment Southland do?
 - Monitoring methods
- Who do we do it for?
 - Volunteer community groups
- Why do we do it?



Rodent monitoring







Gillies, C.A.; Williams, D. 2013: DOC tracking tunnel guide v2.5.2: Using tracking tunnels to monitor rodents and mustelids. Department of Conservation, Science & Capability Group, Hamilton, New Zealand.

Possum monitoring



Residual trap catch



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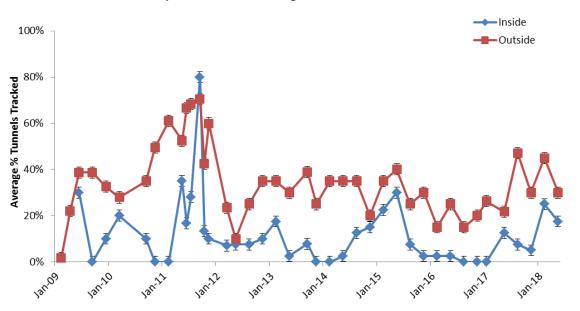


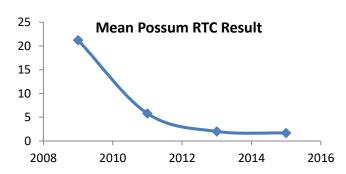
Bird monitoring



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Bluff Hill Comparison of Rat Tracking Inside and Outside Pest Control Area





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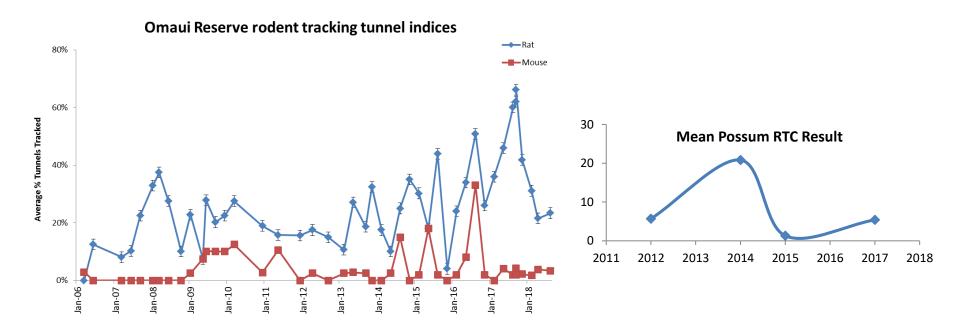
From: Bluff Enviro Trust <bluffenvirotrust@yahoo.co.nz> Sent: Wed 28/02/2018 5:02 p.m. To: Tom Harding Debbie Fife; Nikki Ladd; Annichje Riemersma; Ali Meade Cc: Subject: Re: Feb Rodent results Kia ora Tom, Thanks very much for the results, it is a bit of a spike. I had a feeling they were creeping in, been guite a few reports from volunteers of trap catches increasing. We'll start preparing for a pulse before we stop our regular poisoning regime in May. Nga mihi Estelle



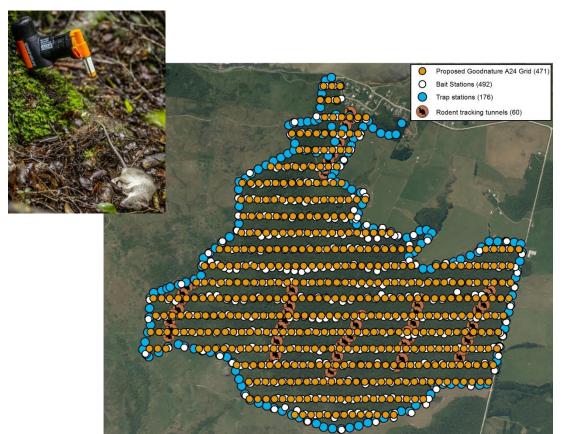




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Summary

Directly linking science to the community results in:

- Inspiration for volunteers
- Positive relationships with the public
- Positive biodiversity change

