

Towards Pest Free Waitaha

From the Alps to the sea.

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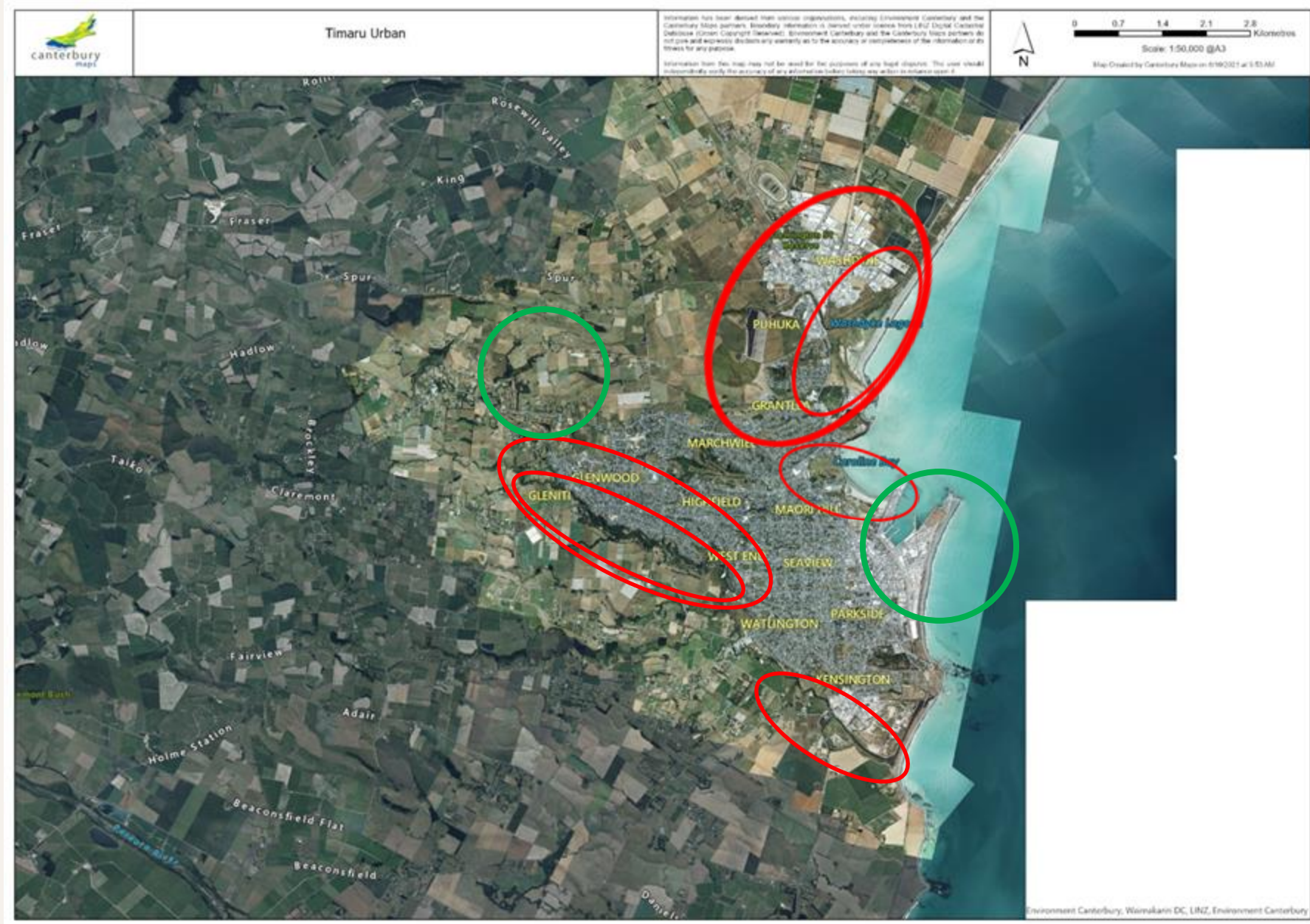
1. Growth of predator free movement across Christchurch and Canterbury
2. Towards Pest Free Waitaha concept
3. Predator Free Activator role
4. Project oversight group and steering group

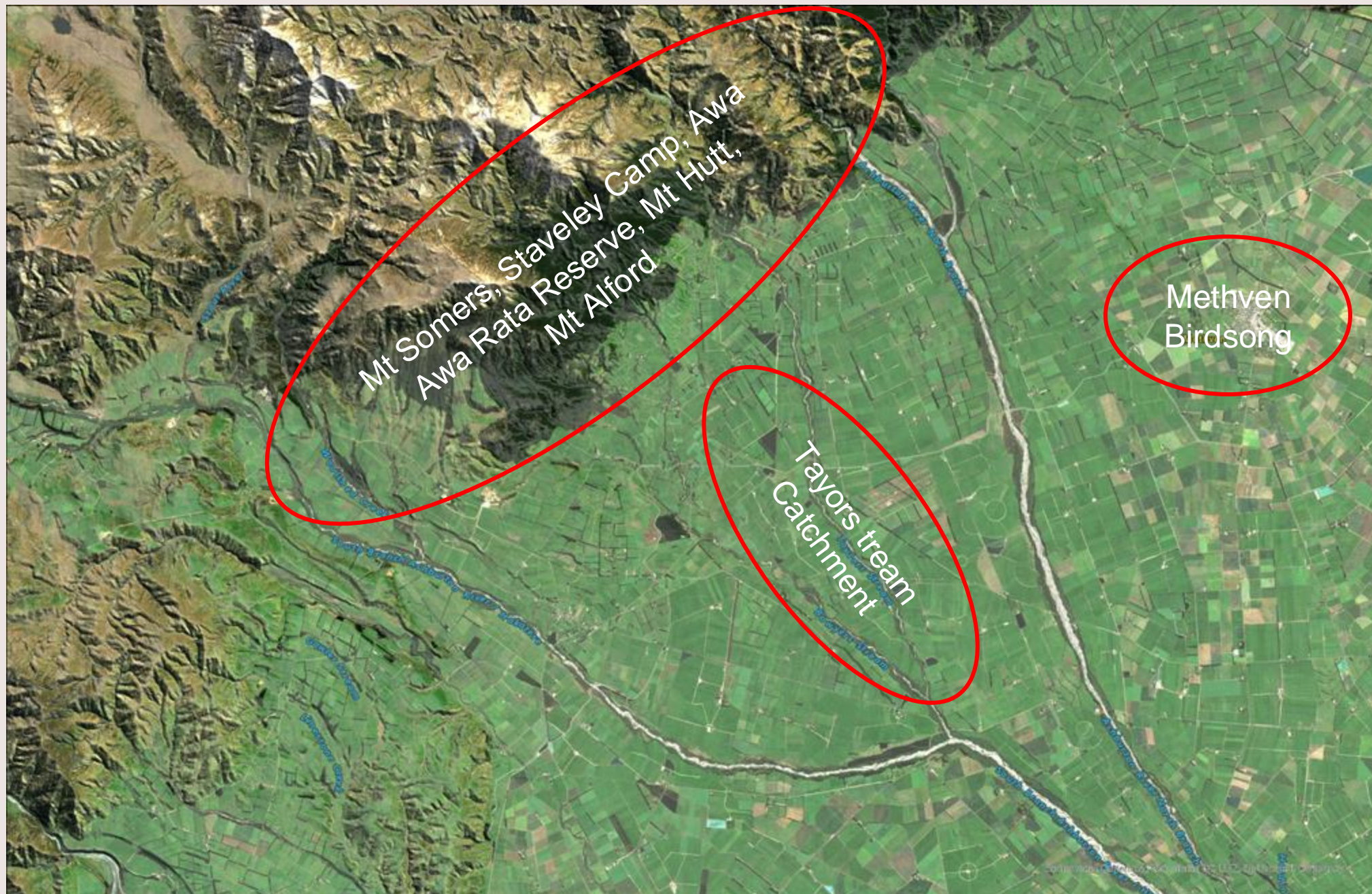


Priorities going forward

- Develop tools and training to support volunteer trapping groups.
- Strengthen networking between predator free groups to share learnings, increase knowledge and expertise and build connections.
- Develop a plan to accelerate a connected and coordinated predator and pest-free movement across Waitaha.
- Identify funding sources to support both the wider network and smaller groups.
- Take an intentional approach to building social license for future elimination projects.
- Develop high-level operational plans and budgets for a staged elimination project across Canterbury, as part of becoming 'shovel ready' for future injections of funding.
- Consider how we can develop community-based monitoring around predator populations and biodiversity monitoring, in order to build engagement and gather baseline data.

Pest Free Timaru





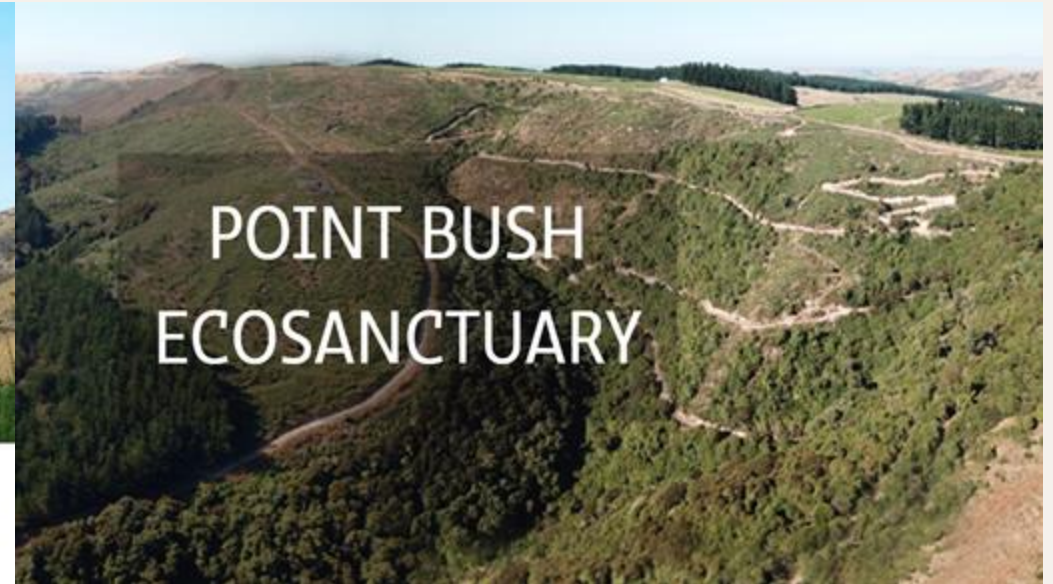
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Awa Rata Reserve, Mt Hutt,
Mt Alford

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Catchment

Methven
Birdsong



Waimate



**“If you think you are too small
to make a difference
Try sleeping with a mosquito “**

Dali Lama

**Everyone can make a difference with
A trap in every back yard**

