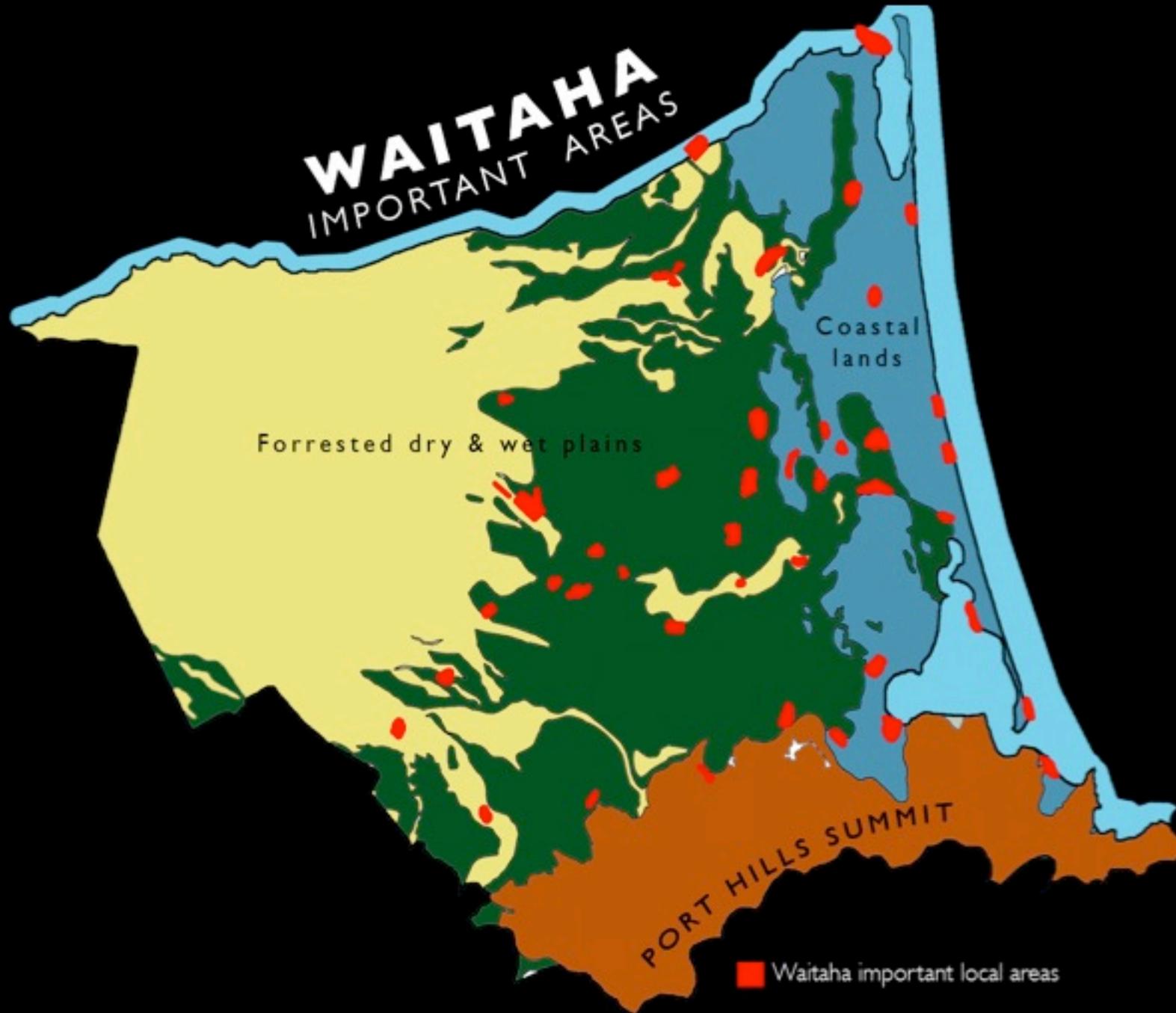


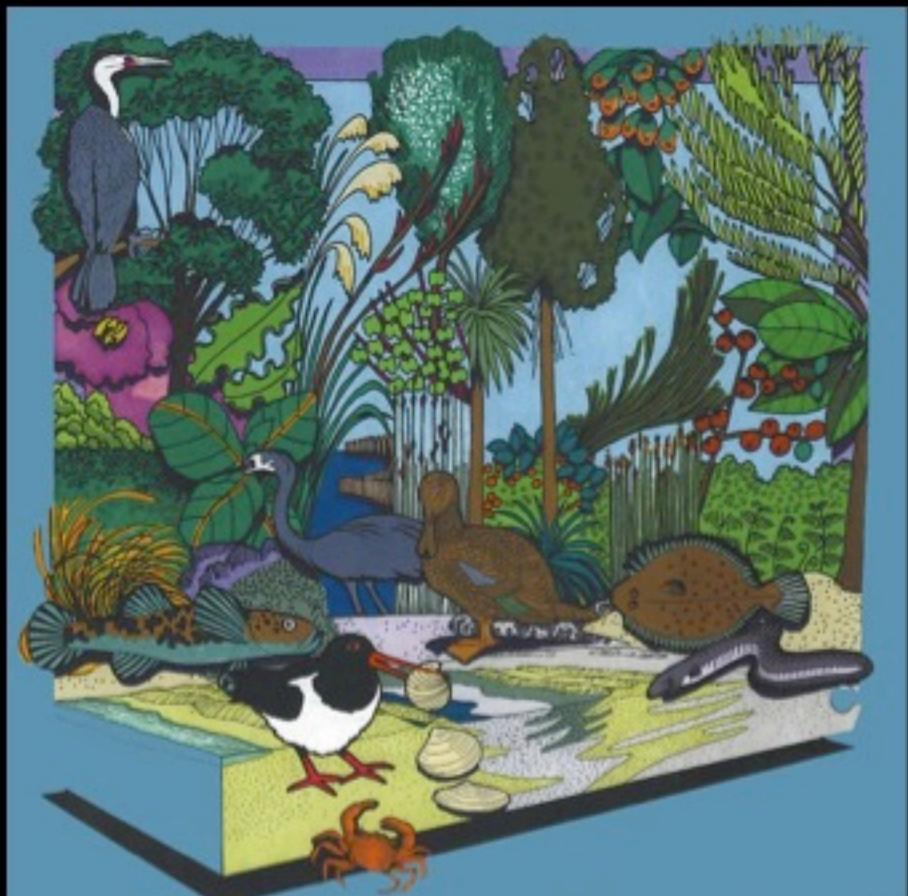
# **C H A N G E** in Eastern Landscapes

Di Lucas, Landscape Architect



Source: Lucas Associates

# Coastal Plains Ecosystem



## THE COAST

- 1 tunnelling mud crab
- 2 South Island pied oystercatcher
- 3 common bully
- 4 pingao
- 5 sand coprosma
- 6 marsh ribbonwood
- 7 taupata leaves
- 8 taupata hedge
- 9 tuahine
- 10 poroporo
- 11 akiraho or golden akake leaves
- 12 pied shag/cormorant
- 13 ngao
- 14 toe-toe flowers
- 15 manuka
- 16 harakeke or flax flowers
- 17 scrambling pohuehue leaves
- 18 otoi or jointed wire rush
- 19 white faced heron
- 20 hono or NZ shoveller
- 21 tūtū/taiki or cockle
- 22 pipi
- 23 kakaha or bush flax
- 24 kanuku leaves and fruit
- 25 ti kouka or cabbage tree
- 26 manatu or lowland ribbonwood
- 27 kanuka leaves and fruit
- 28 NZ broom
- 29 wīwī or giant rush
- 30 patiki or sand flounder
- 31 tusa heke or short finned eel
- 32 raharahu or bracken fern
- 33 thick-leaved mākīmāki
- 34 red fruited karamu
- 35 kapika or broadleaf leaves
- 36 akeake

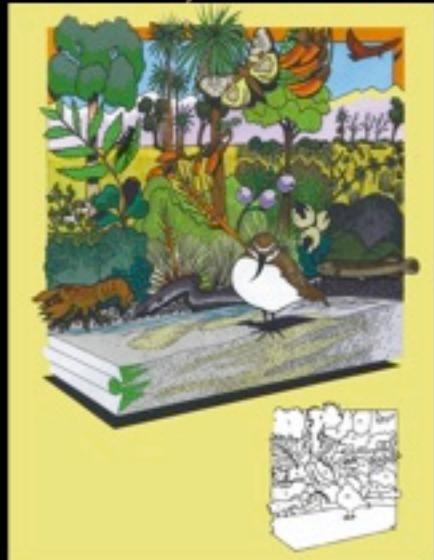
*Helice crassa*  
*Haematopus finschi*

*Desmoschoenus spiralis*  
*Coprosma acerosa*  
*Plagianthus divaricatus*  
*Coprosma repens*

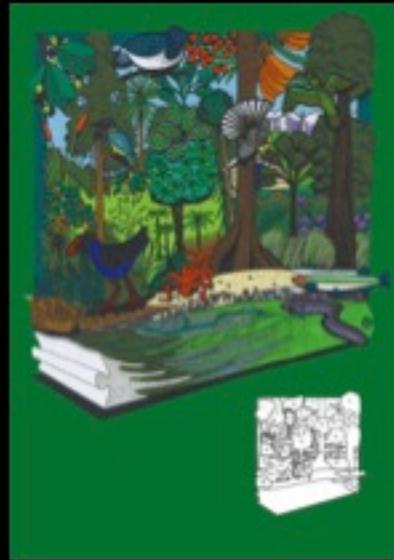
*Orothamnus leptophylla*  
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*Phalacrocorax varius*  
*Myoporum laetum*  
*Corokia richardii*  
*Leptospermum scoparium*  
*Phormium tenax*  
*Mitchella repens*  
*Leptospermum sinense*  
*Ardea novaehollandiae*  
*Anas rhynchos*  
*Austrovetus stictoburyi*  
*Pipites australis*  
*Astelia fragrans*  
*Coprosma robusta*  
*Cordyline australis*  
*Plagianthus regius*  
*Corynocarpus laevigatus*  
*Carmichaelia australis*  
*Juncus pallidus*  
*Rhombosolea plebia*  
*Anguilla australis*  
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*Groschelia littoralis*  
*Dodonea viscosa*



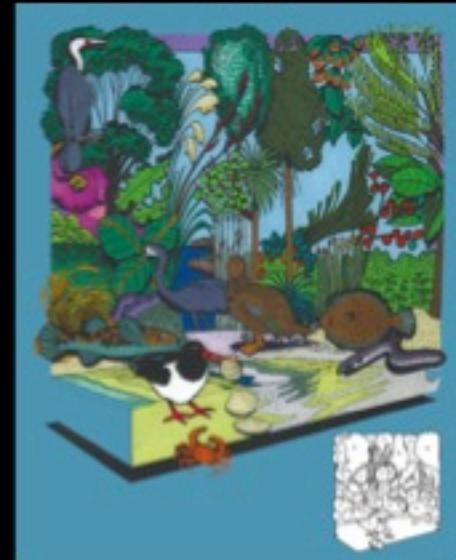
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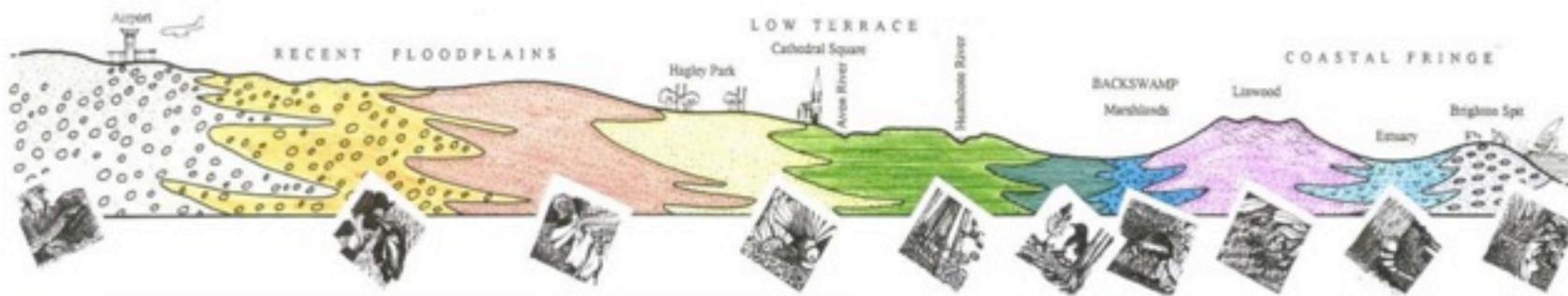
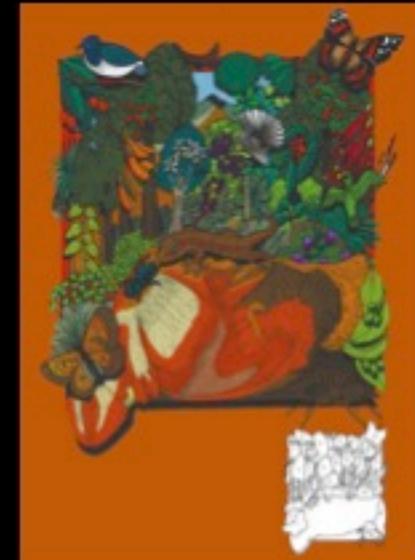
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Port Hills



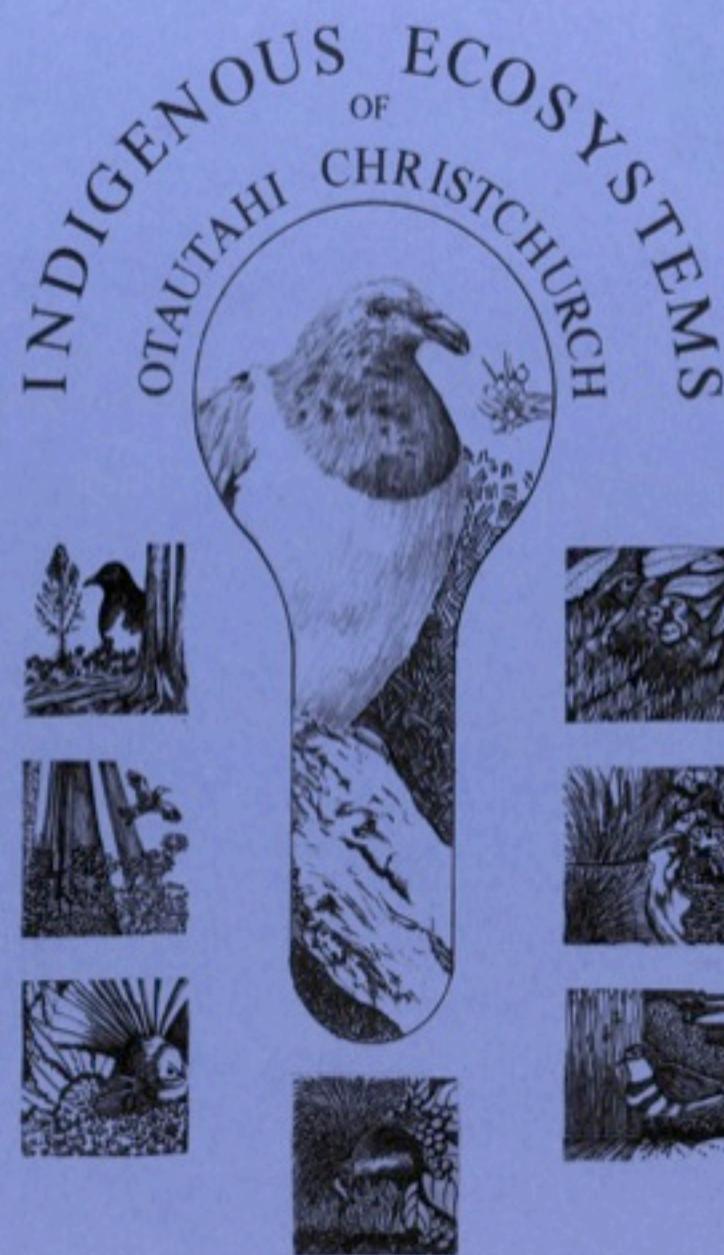
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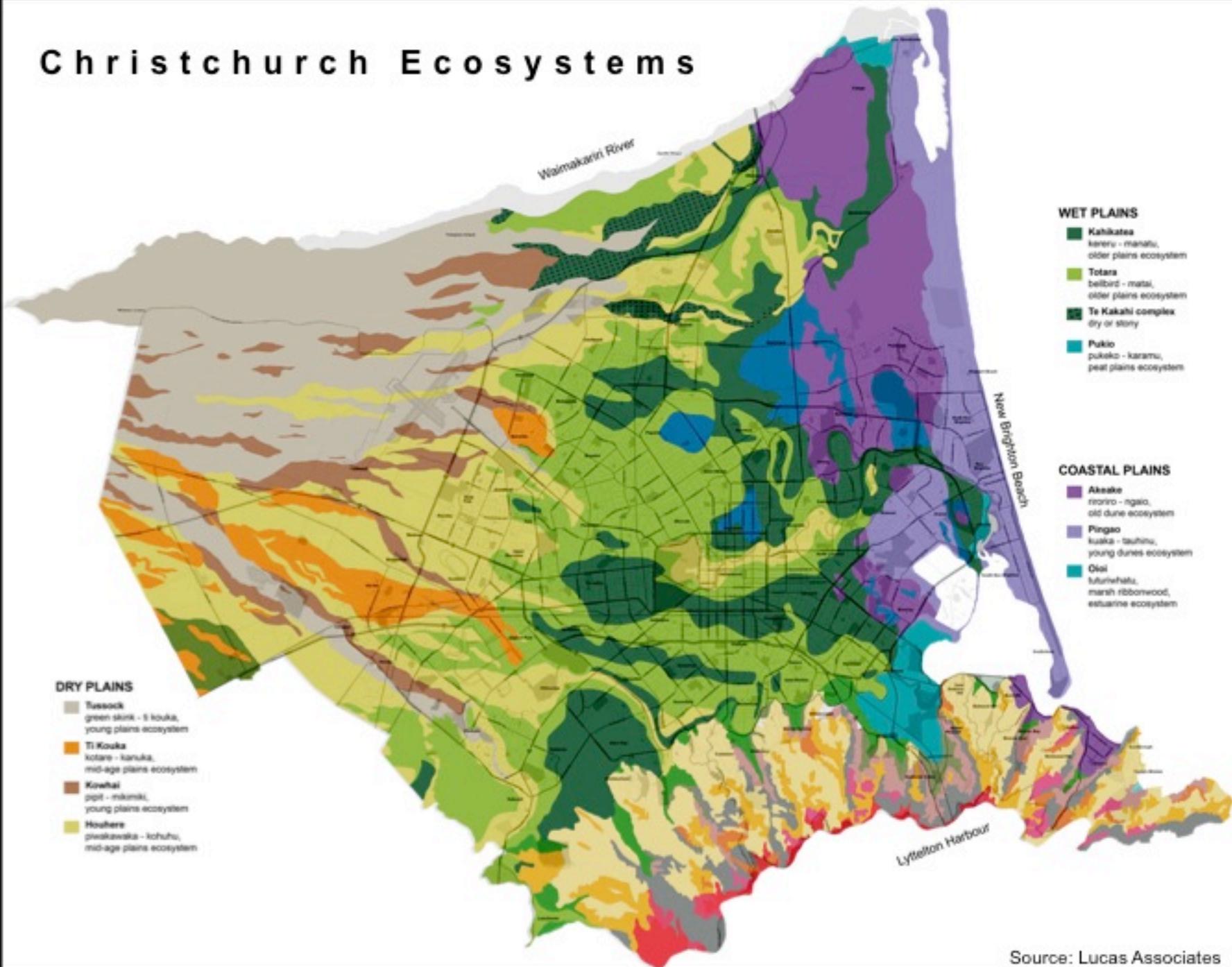
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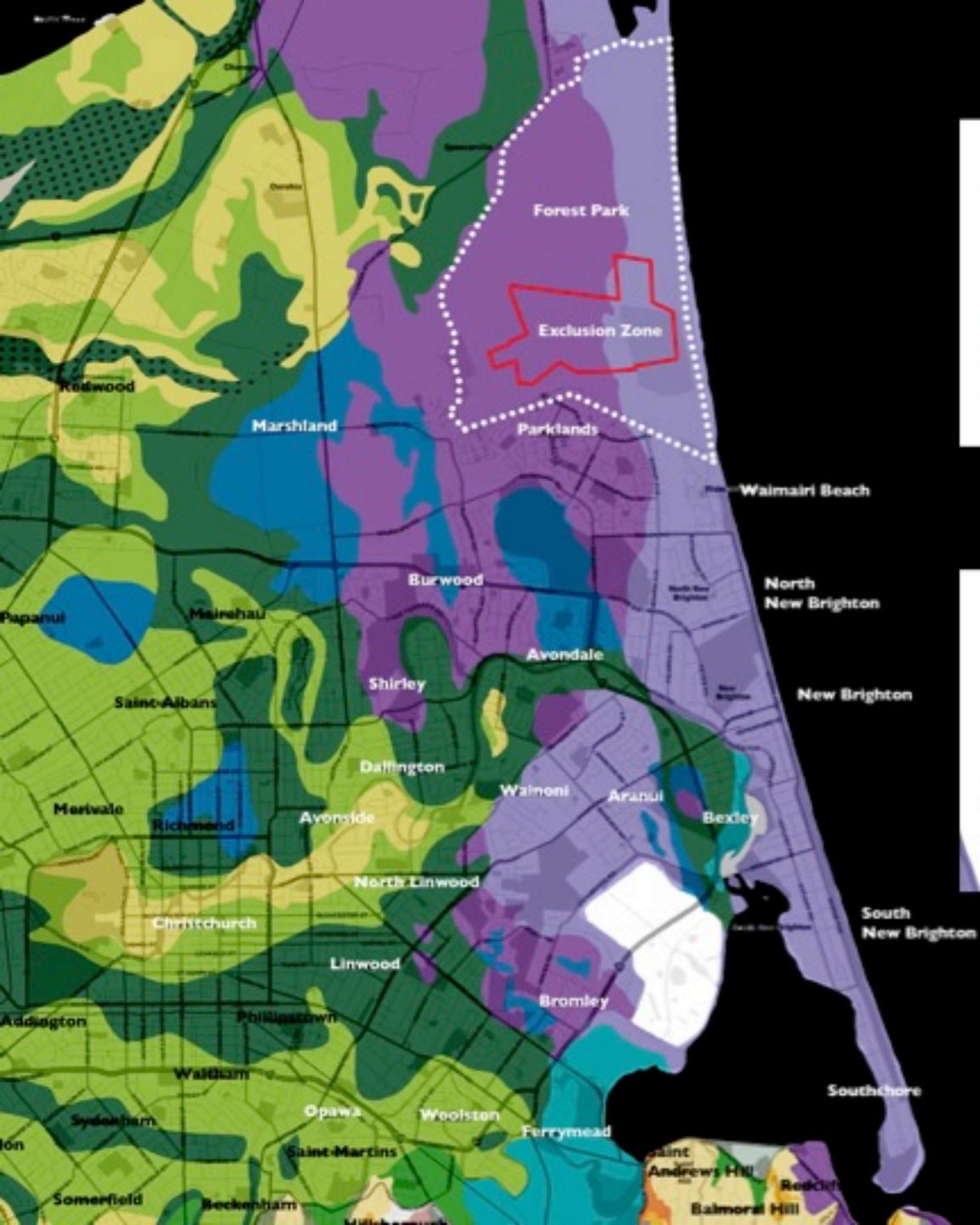
The coastal plains of  
Hagley-Ferrymead &  
Burwood-Pegasus



SET 2: The coastal plains of Hagley-Ferrymead & Burwood-Pegasus  
for Christchurch-Otautahi Agenda 21 Committee

# Christchurch Ecosystems





## W e t P l a i n s :

Marshland  
Dallington  
Avonside  
Avondale  
Linwood  
Phillipstown  
Opawa  
Woolston  
Bexley

### WET PLAINS

- Kahikatea  
kereru - manatu,  
older plains ecosystem
- Totara  
belibird - matai,  
older plains ecosystem
- Te Kakahi complex  
dry or stony
- Pukio  
pukeko - karamu,  
peat plains ecosystem

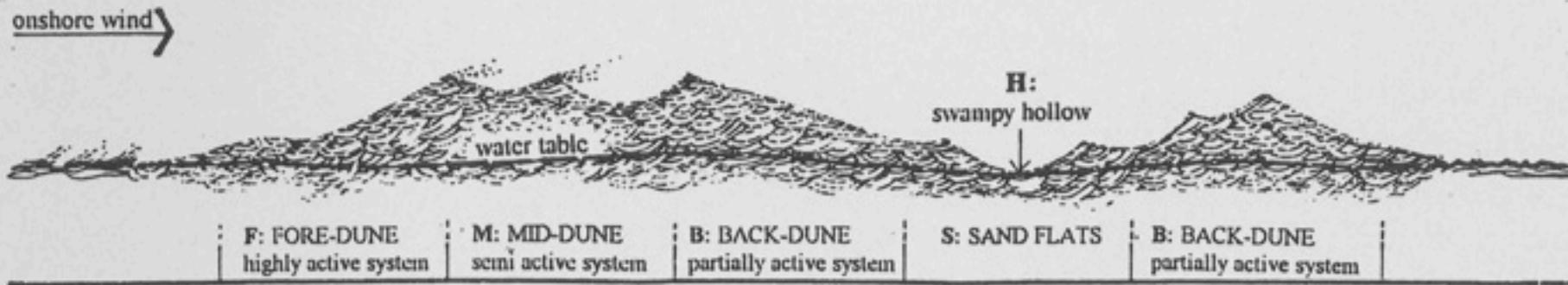
## C o a s t a l P l a i n s :

Parklands  
Burwood  
Shirley  
Waimairi Beach  
North New Brighton  
New Brighton  
South New Brighton  
Wainoni  
Aranui  
Bromley  
Southshore  
Ferrymead

### COASTAL PLAINS

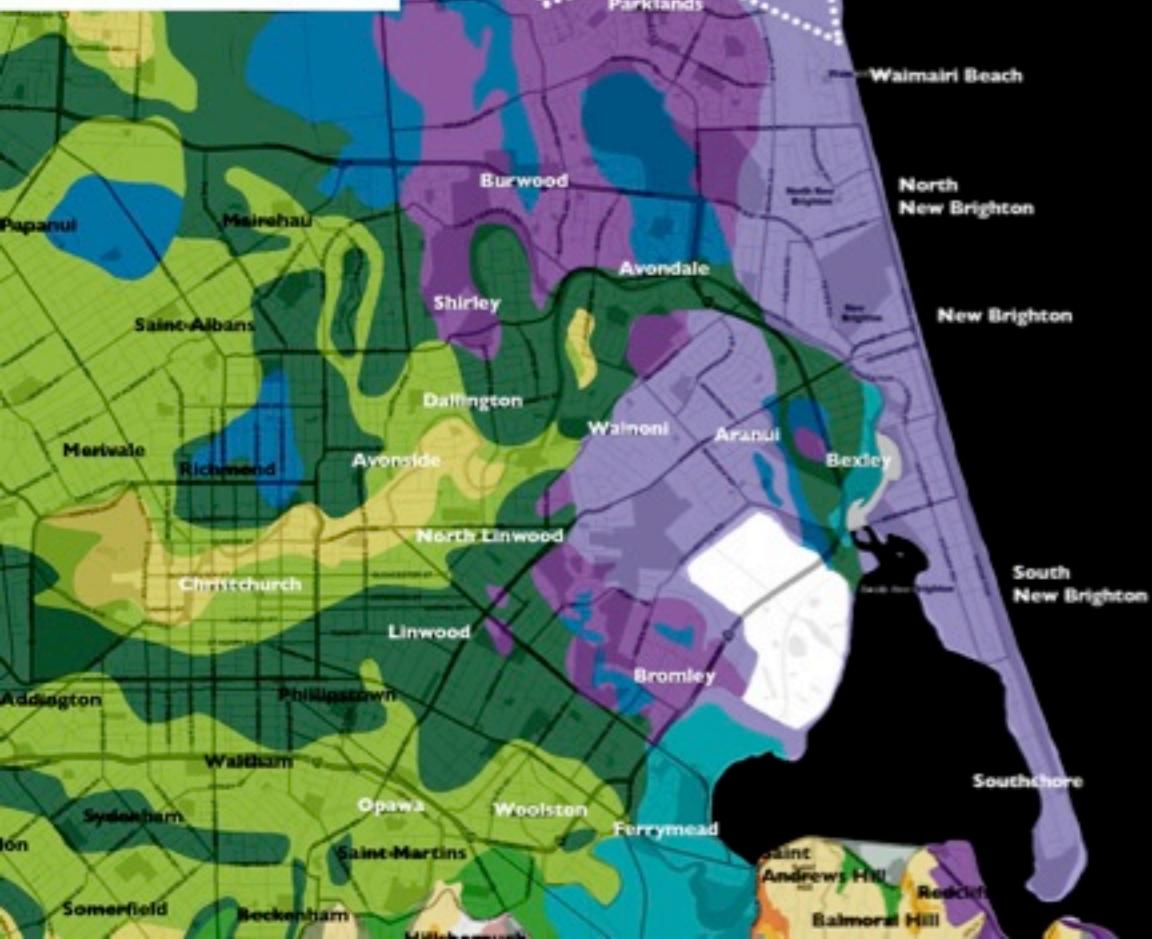
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old dune ecosystem
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young dunes ecosystem
- Oioi  
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Fore, mid & back-dunes (e.g. Brighton) &  
inter-dune sand flat (e.g. Aranui)



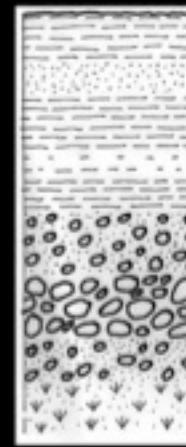
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## Wet Plains Soils

### Kahikatea



### Totara



### Pukio

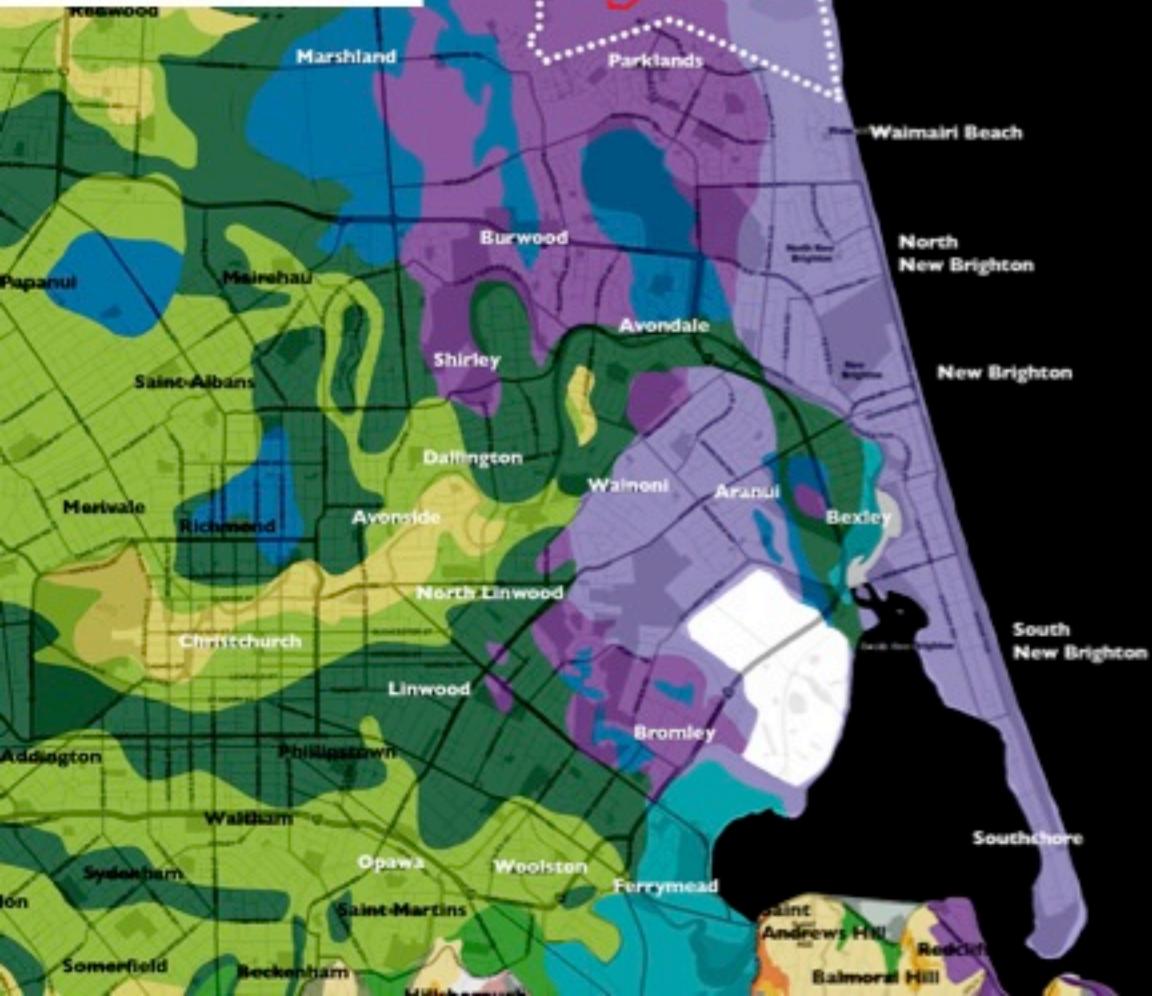


**Underlayers:** Clay & sand alternating on silt over greywacke river stones (2-100mm rounded) with some peat.

**Underlayers:** Alternating silt, sand & clay on greywacke river stones (2-100mm rounded).

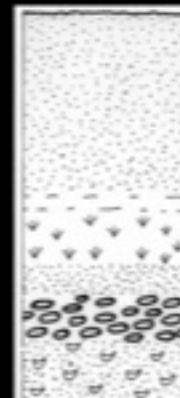
## COASTAL PLAINS

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- Pingao  
kuaka - tauhinu, young dunes ecosystem
- Oioi  
tuturiwhatu, marsh ribbonwood, estuarine ecosystem

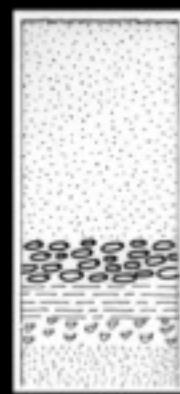


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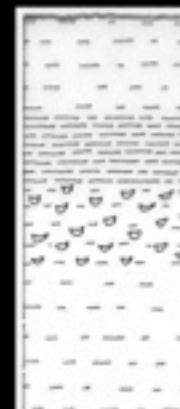
### A k e a k e



### P i n g a o



### O i o i



**Underlayers:** Alternating silt & clay with shells. No greywacke stones but some small pieces of wood.

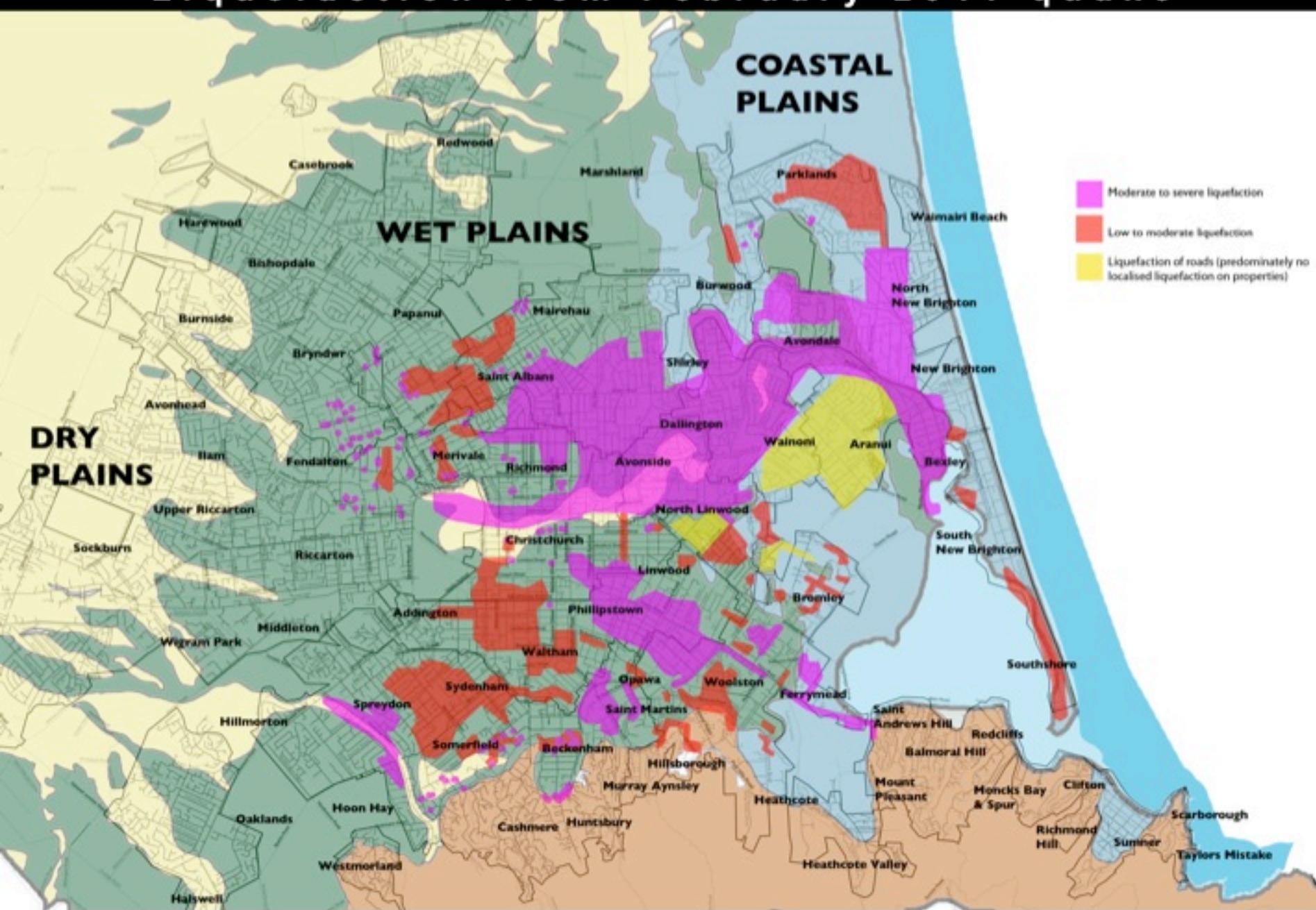
The Avon-Heathcote  
Estuary in the 1800s



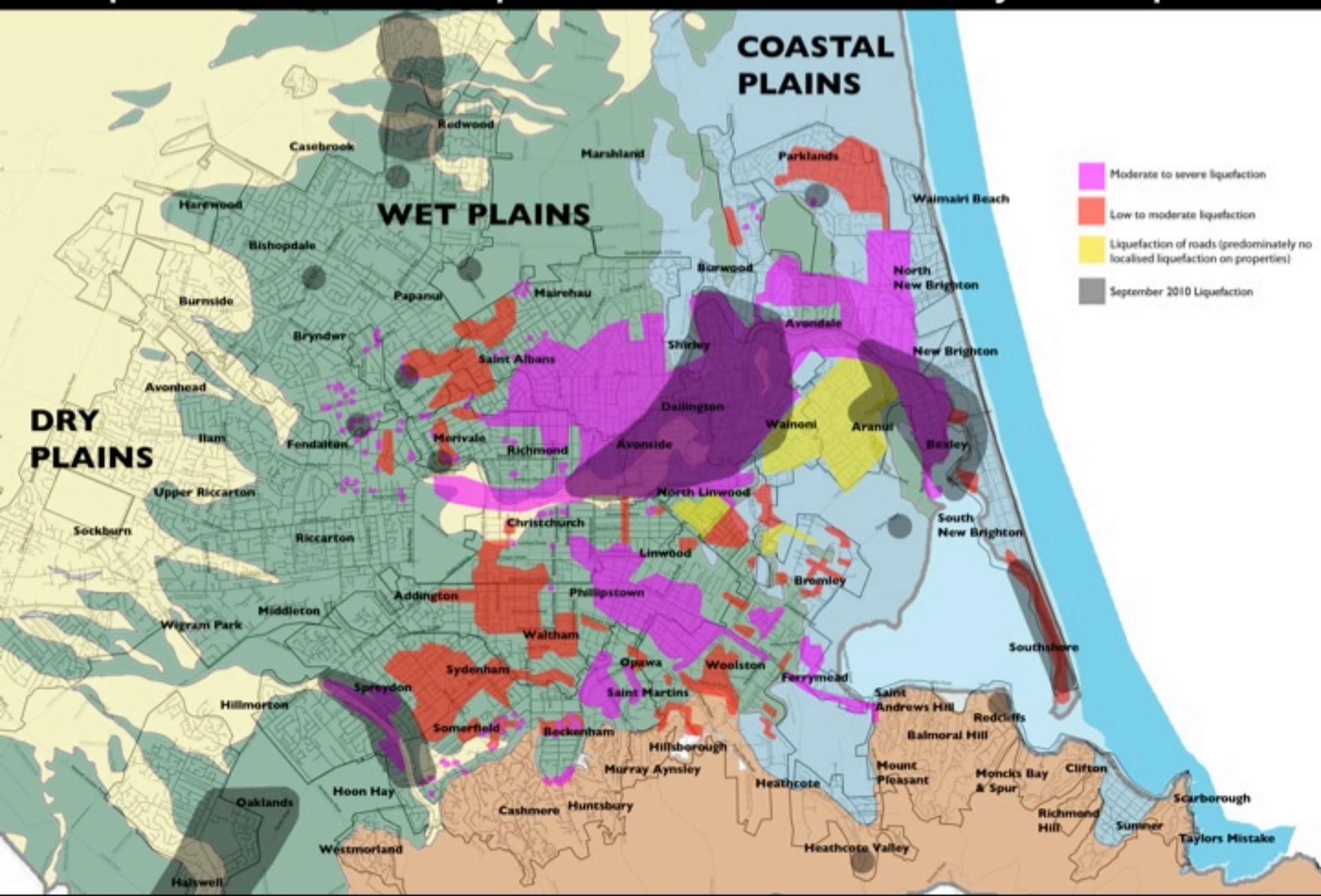
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# Liquefaction from February 2011 quake



# Liquefaction from September 2010 & February 2011 quake

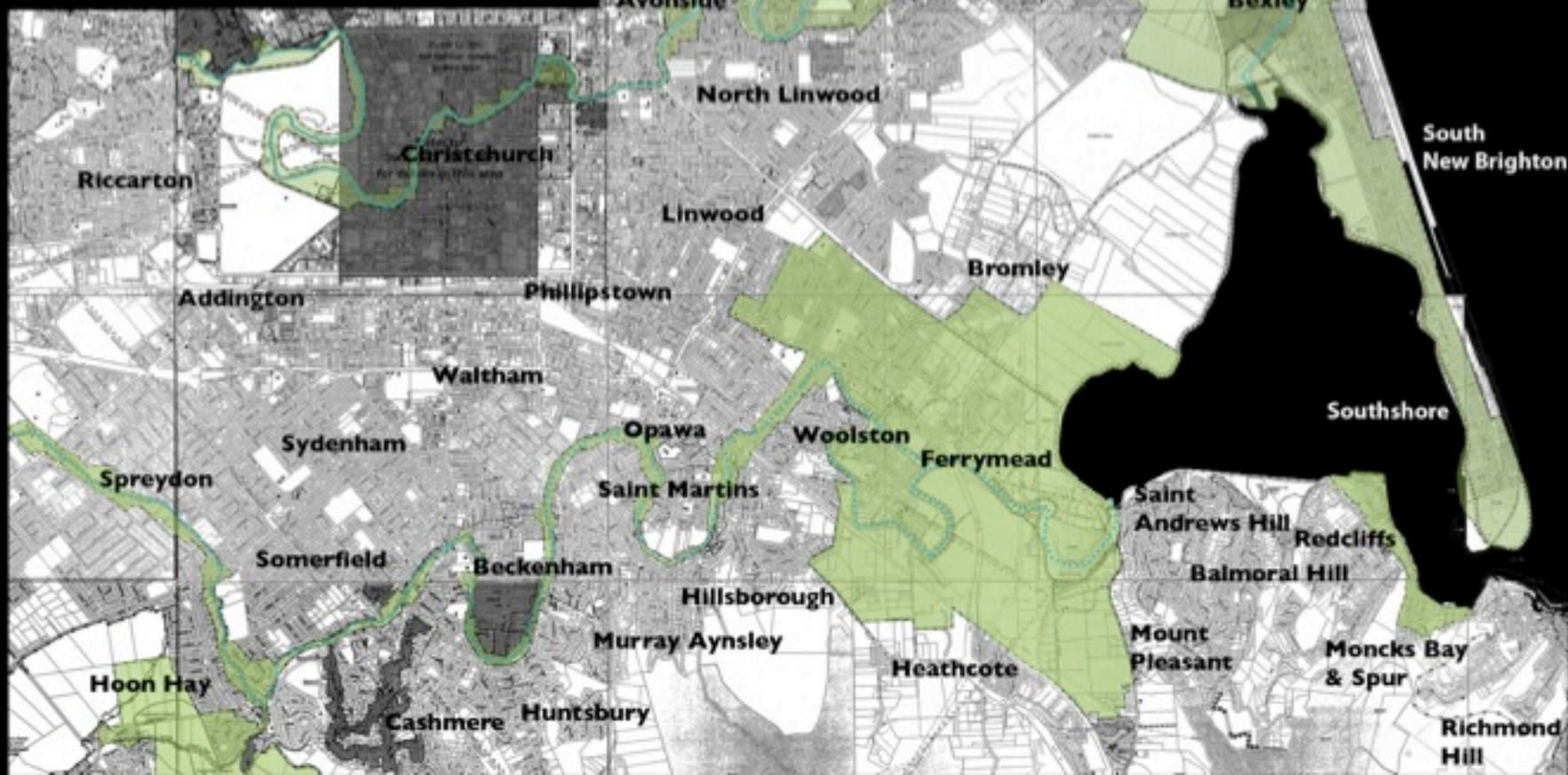


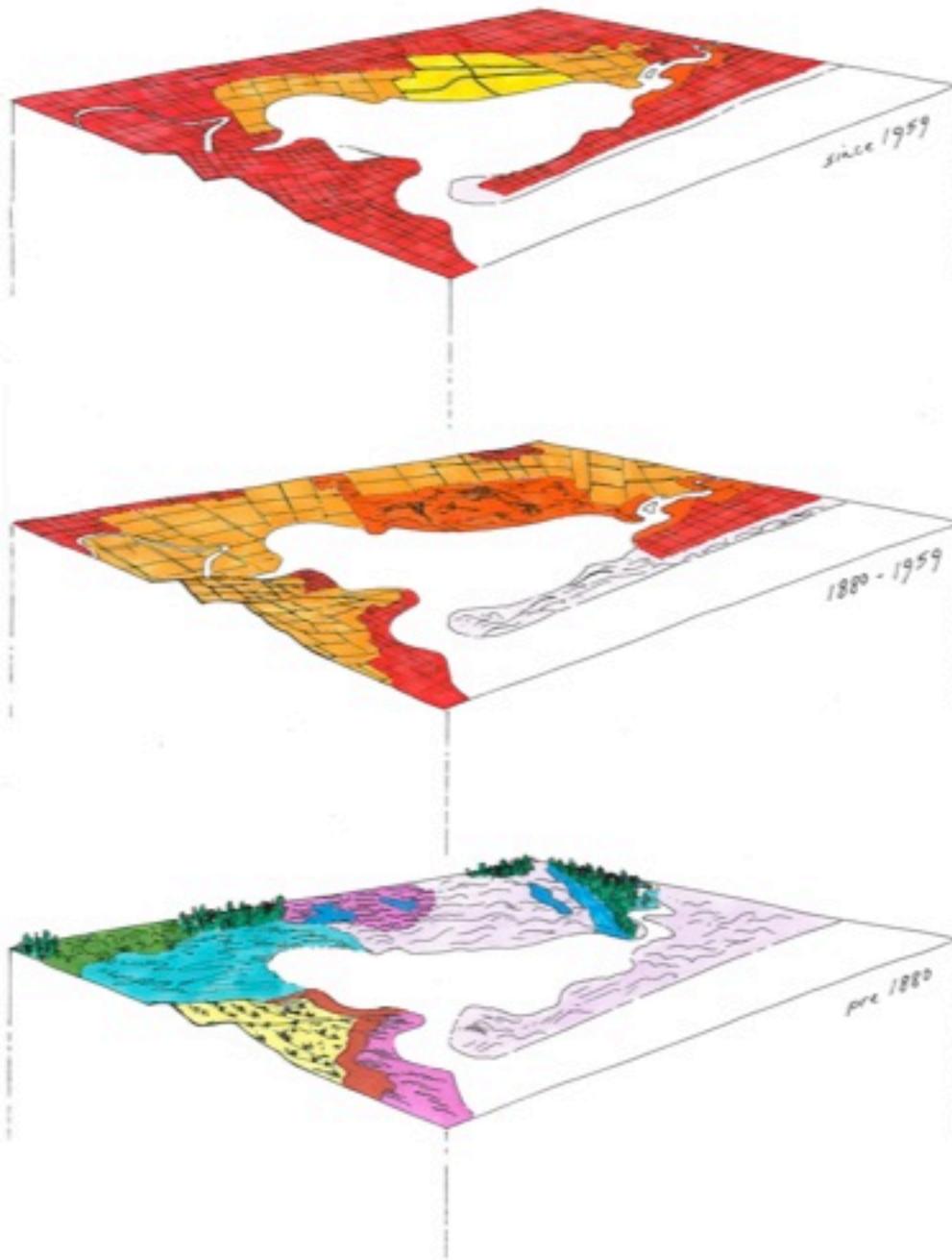


# Flood Management Areas

Christchurch City Council

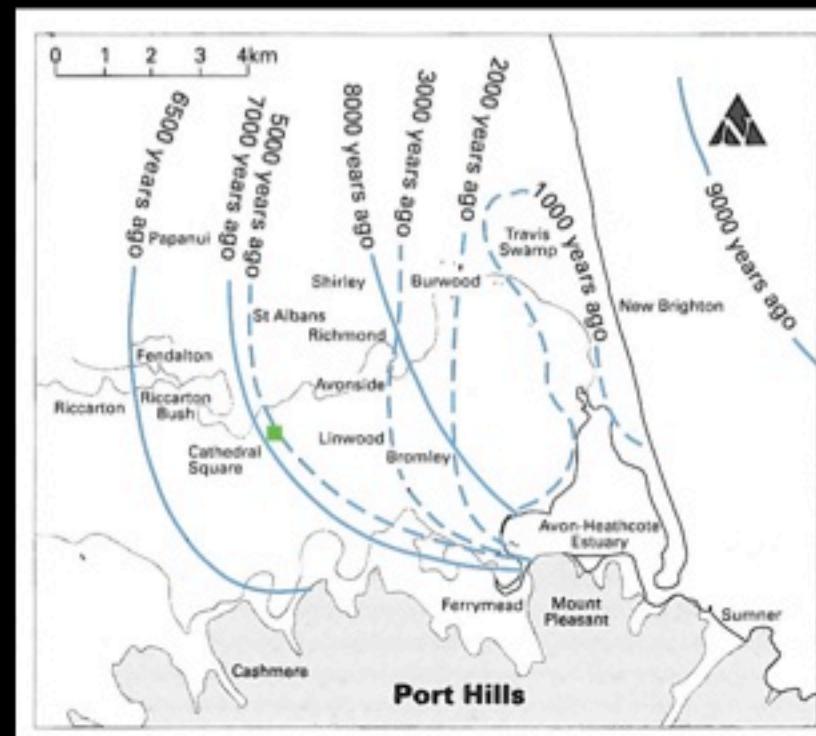
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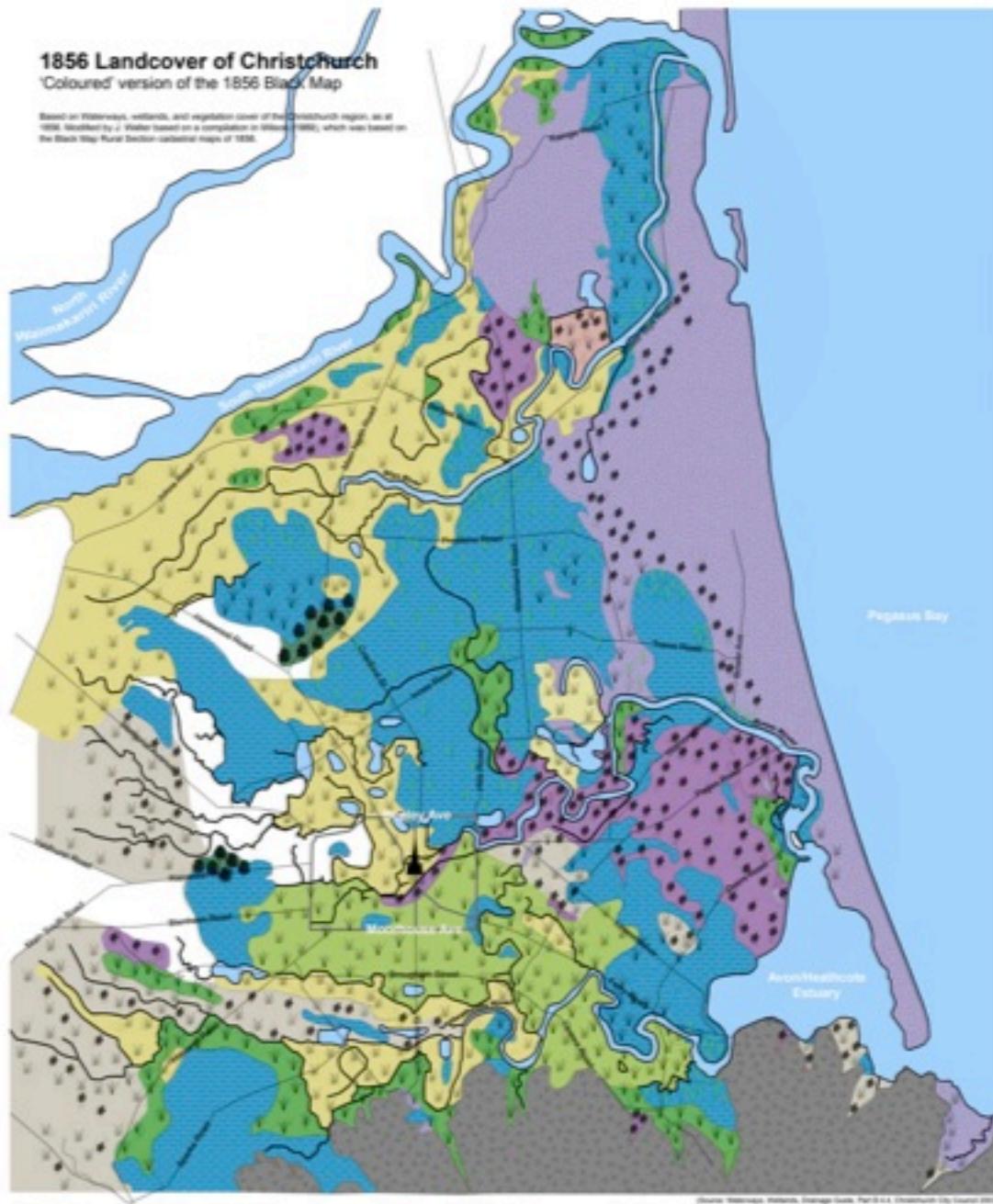
# Shorelines in the last 9,000 years



## 1856 Landcover of Christchurch

'Coloured' version of the 1856 Black Map

Based on Waterways, wetlands, and vegetation cover of the Christchurch region, as at 1856. Modified by J. Walker based on a compilation in Wilkes (1988), which was based on the Black Map Rural Section cadastral maps of 1856.



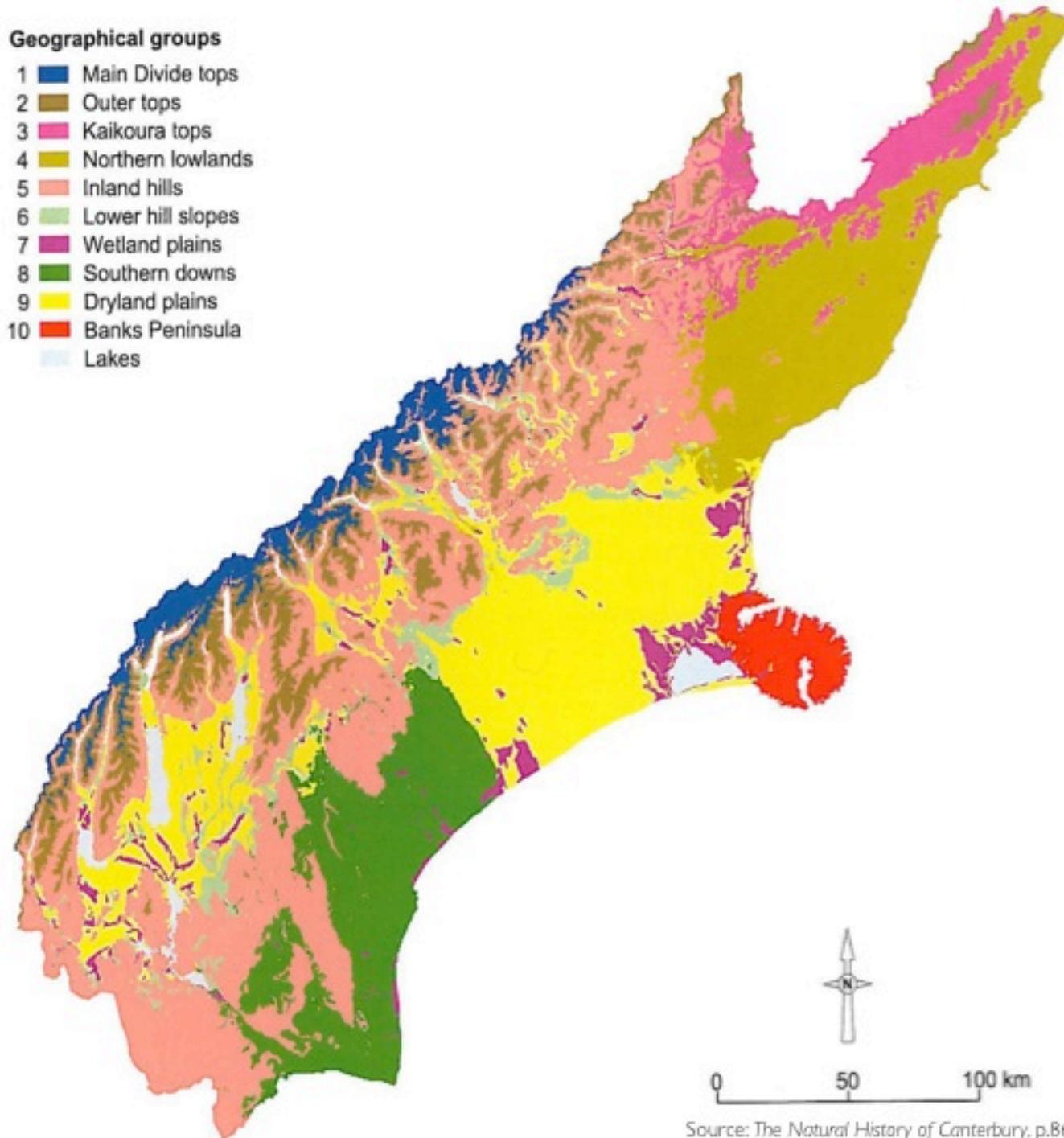
(Source: Waterways, Wetlands, Vegetation Guide, Part 10-014, Christchurch City Council 2002)

— Streams/Rivers    Surface Water    Sand    Rock    Fern    Flex & Grass    Grass & Fern    Raupo  
— Trees    Flex    Grass    Fem & Flax

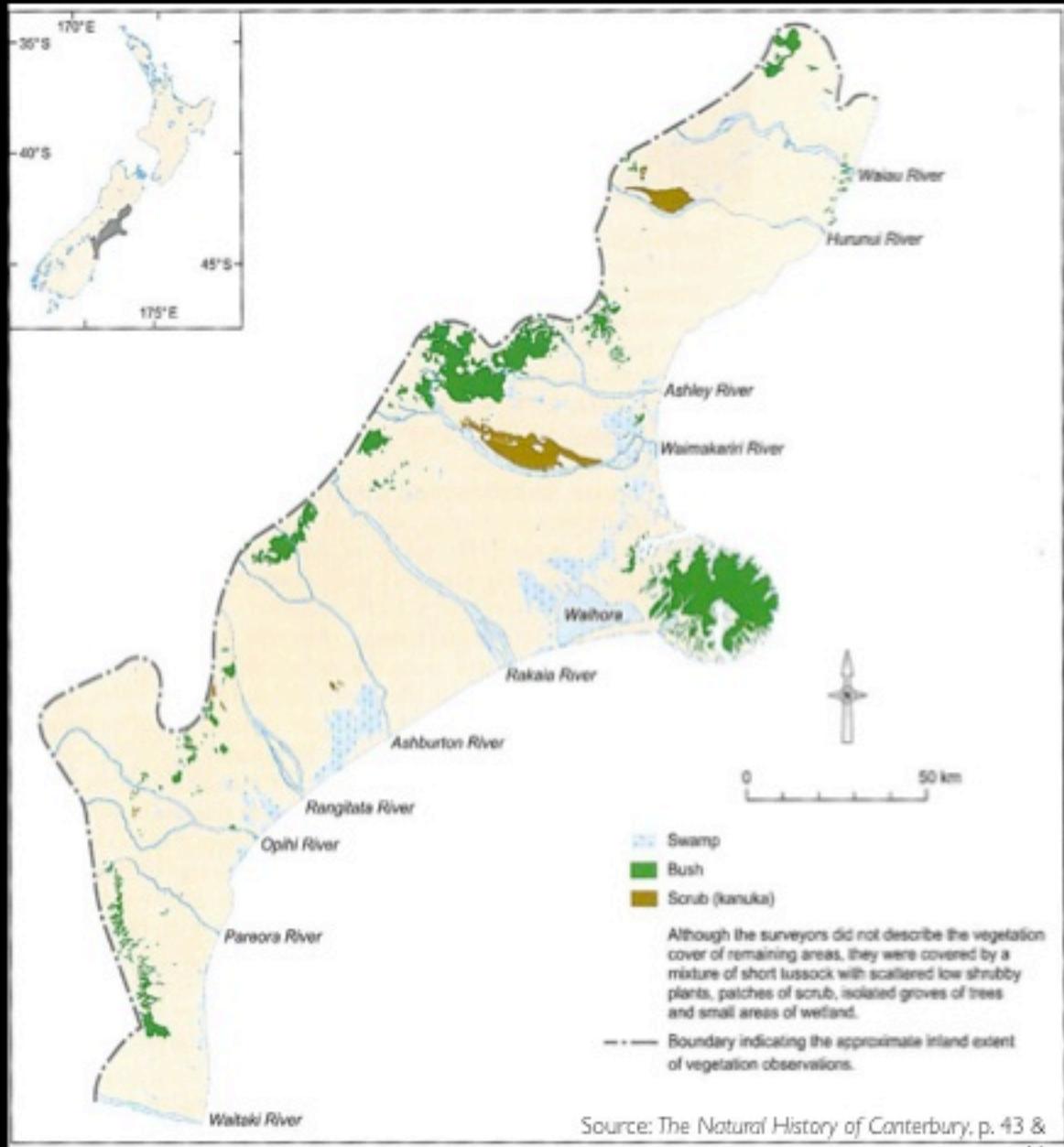
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### Geographical groups

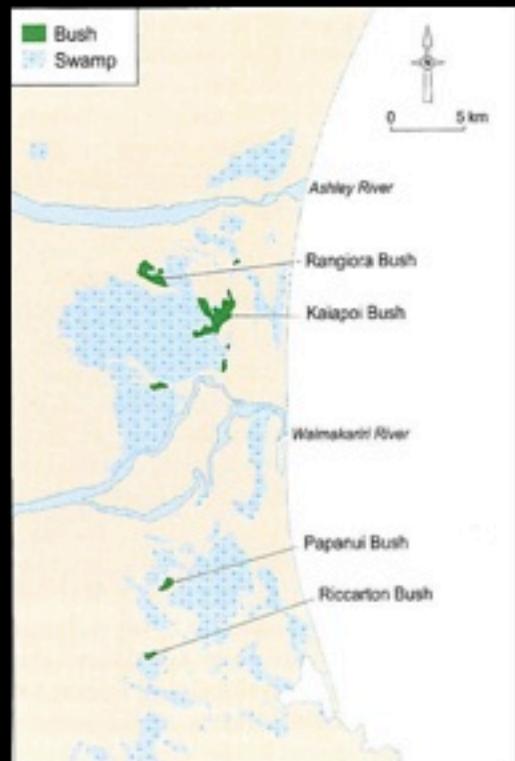
- 1 Main Divide tops
- 2 Outer tops
- 3 Kaikoura tops
- 4 Northern lowlands
- 5 Inland hills
- 6 Lower hill slopes
- 7 Wetland plains
- 8 Southern downs
- 9 Dryland plains
- 10 Banks Peninsula
- 11 Lakes



Source: *The Natural History of Canterbury*, p.863



Source: The Natural History of Canterbury, p. 43 &





Horseshoe Lake off Moncrieff Place

Horseshoe Lake



Avon River



Avon River – Kerr's Reach







Halswell River  
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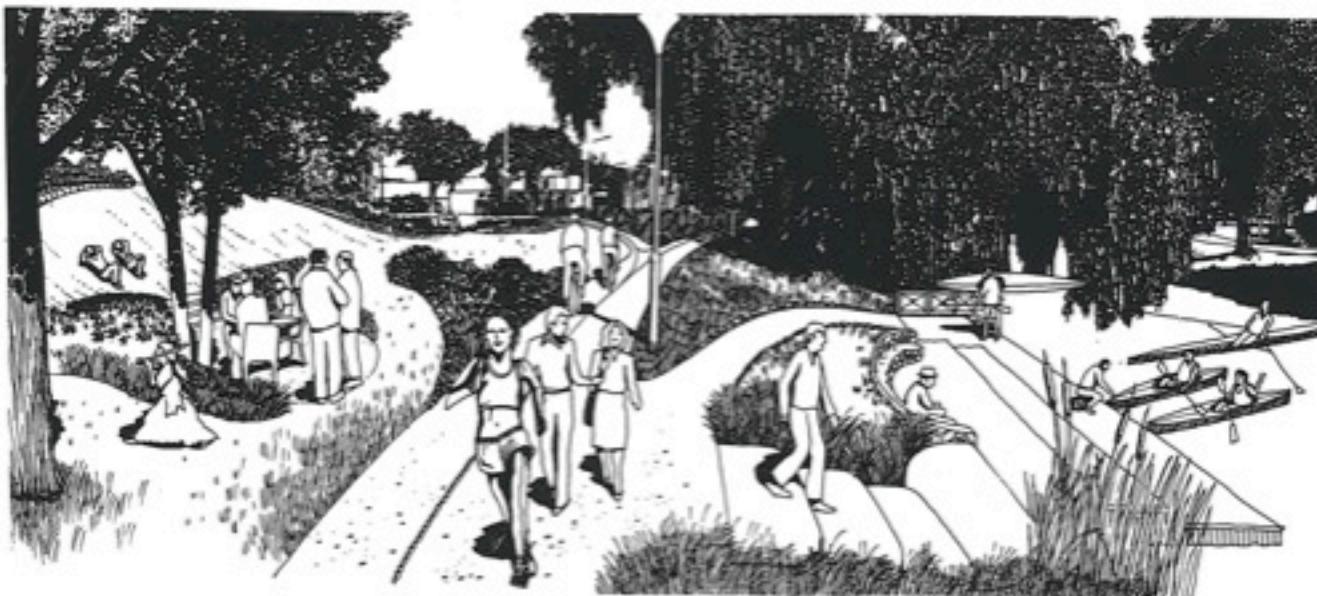


Fitzgerald Avenue-Avon River



# AVONSIDE ~~DRIVE~~ PARK

from Fitzgerald Avenue to Linwood Avenue



*Lucas Associates*



#### EXISTING SITUATION:

Fast lane, fast ready traffic, no pedestrian

and cycle opportunities or riverbank

access

Off street parking from the main approach, closest parking near

approximately 50 metres from the intersection of

Frogmore Avenue and Gloucester Drive

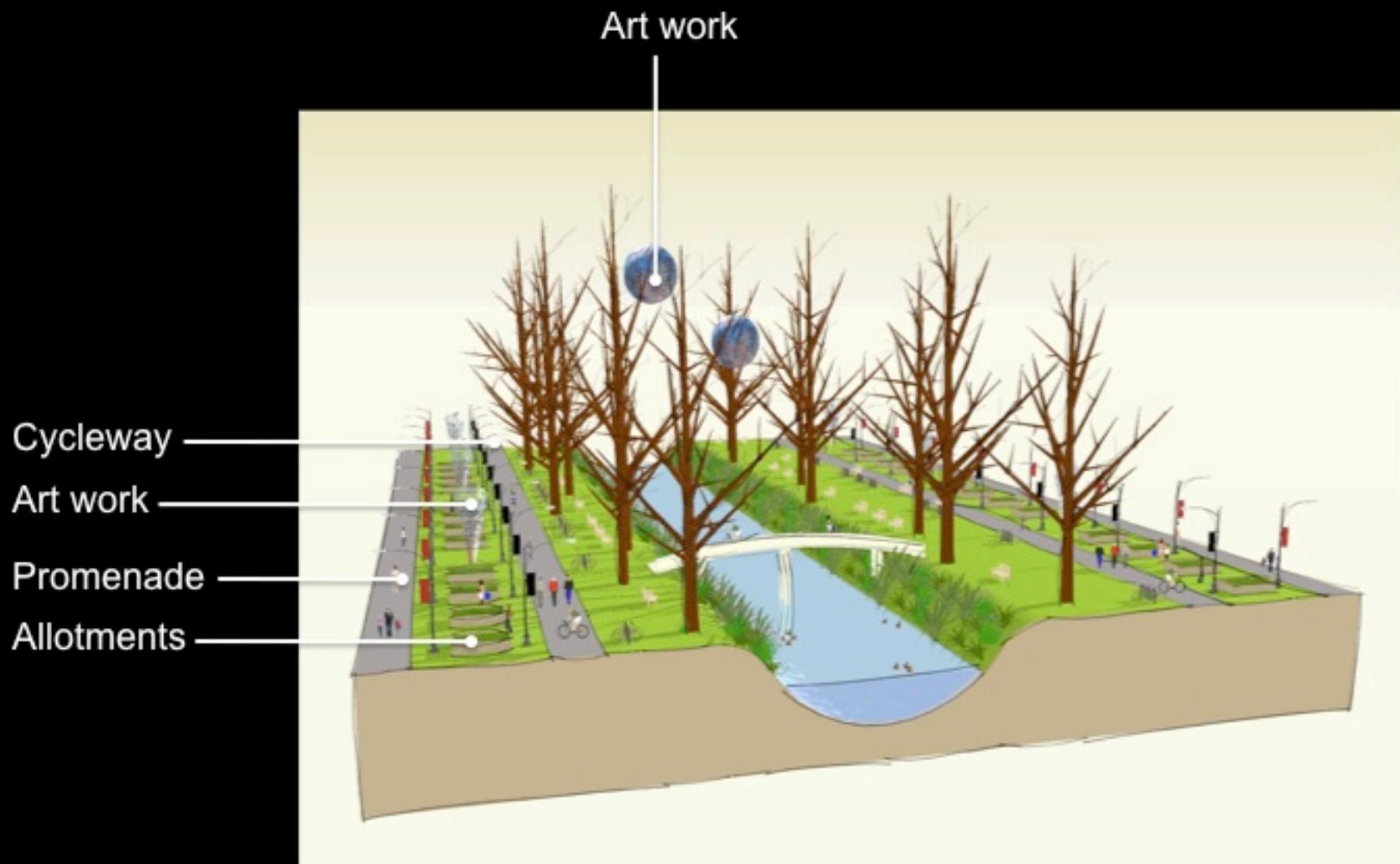
Source: Lucas Associates  
221 Worcester Street N.E., 3000 170 - April 12, 2001



## RIVERSIDE PARK

With road removed, pedestrian and cycle routes, slopes regarded and naturalised plus riverbank access with possible landing stages etc.

With one lane, one way slow street, pedestrian and cycle routes, slopes re-graded and naturalised.



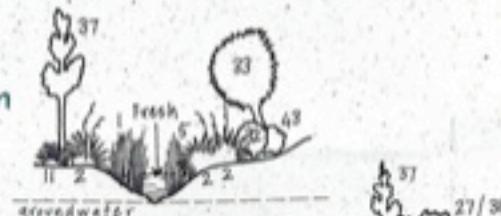
## Avon River corridor

# RIVER AND STREAM PROFILES

These profiles show the sequence of native plants best suited to each zone. Scale is exaggerated.

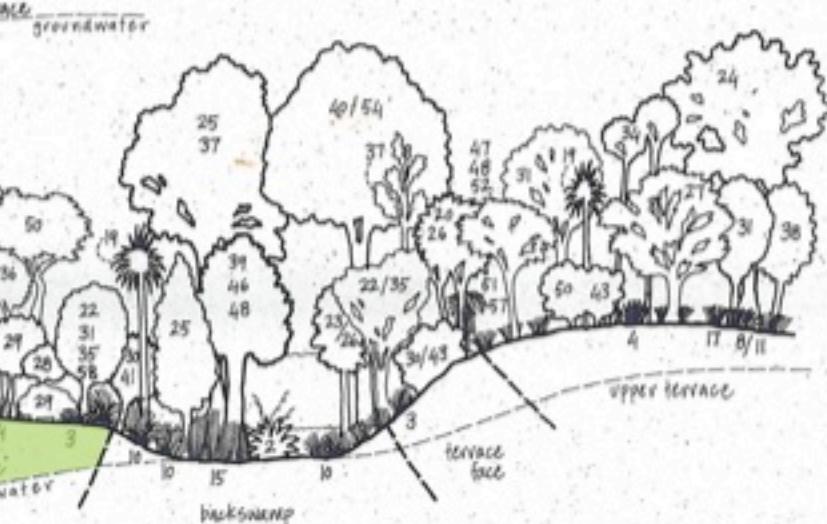
## Typical Seasonal Stream

This profile shows upper stream reaches with seasonal water flows in winter or after heavy rain (called a 'fresh').



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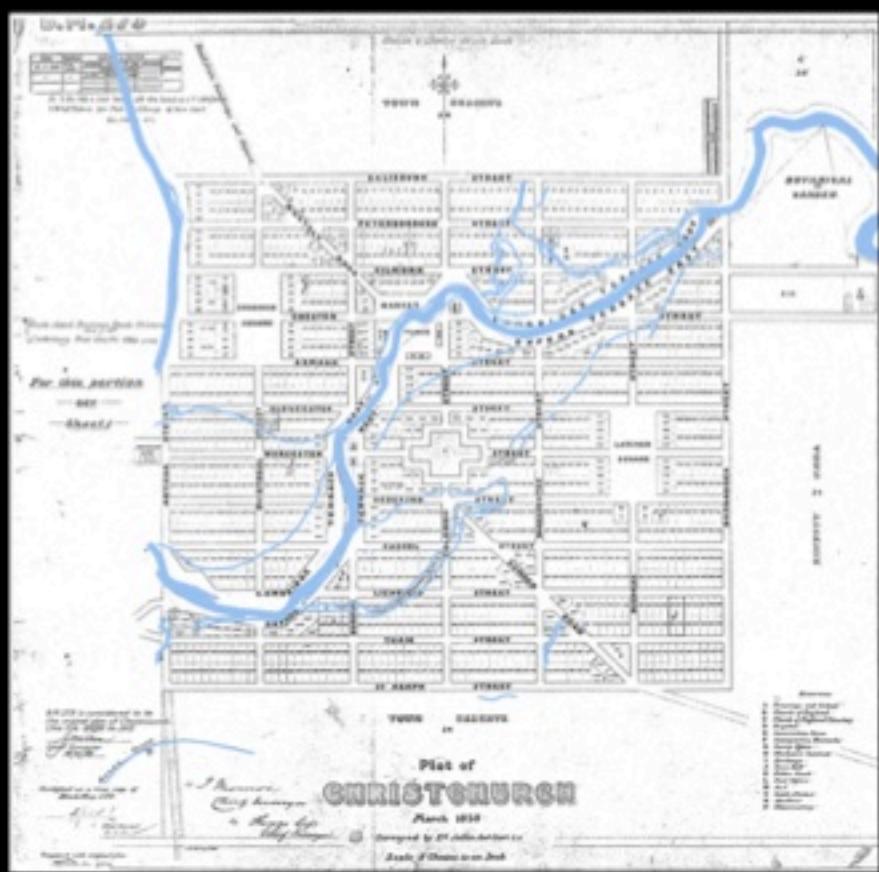
This stream profile shows a gentle bank on left and moderately steep bank on right, with spring-fed low flows.



## Typical River

This river has an over-steepened bank on left with a broad flood-plain sequence on right.

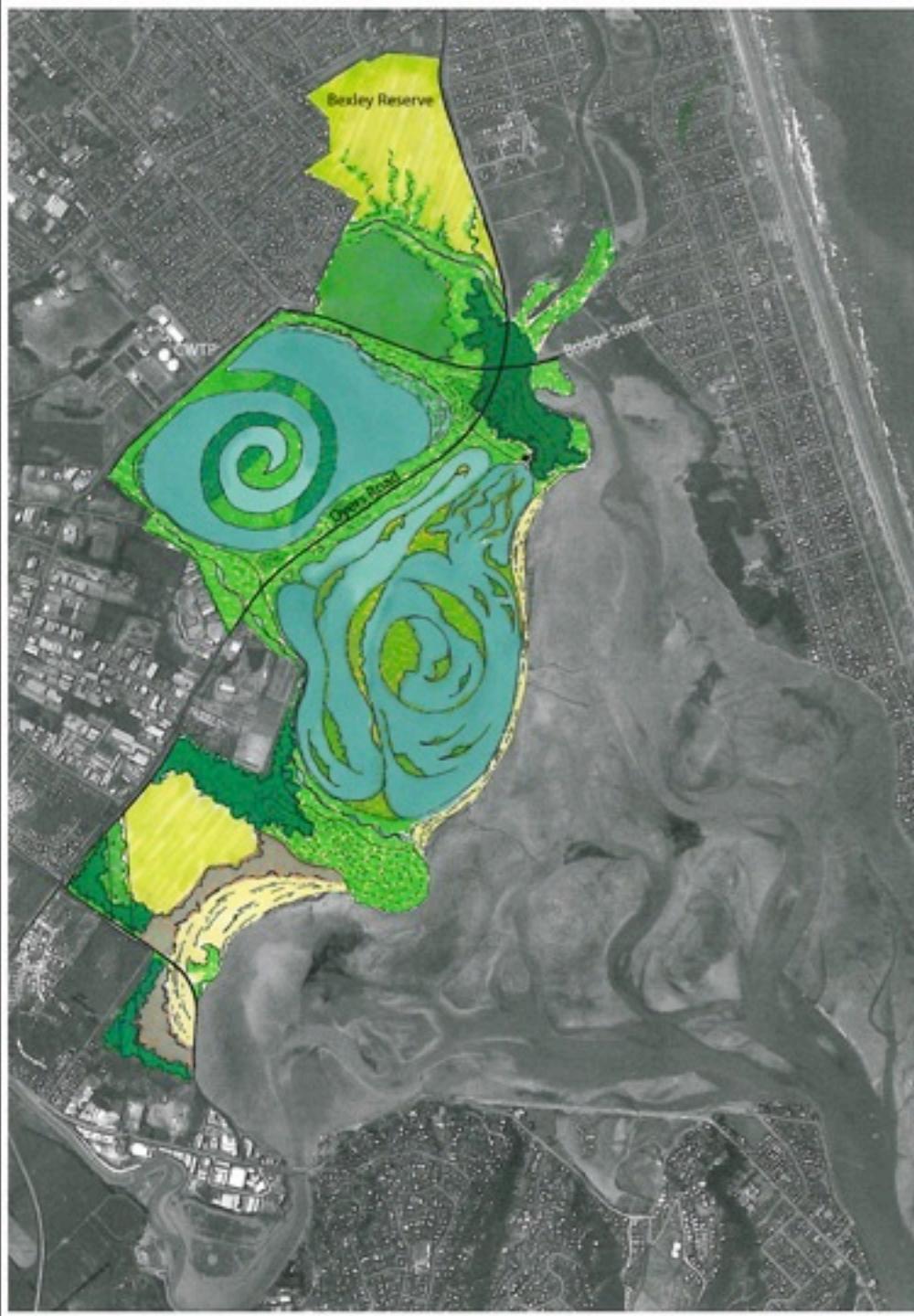
# Central City Waterways as at 1850 & in 2000



Source: Christchurch City Council 1999



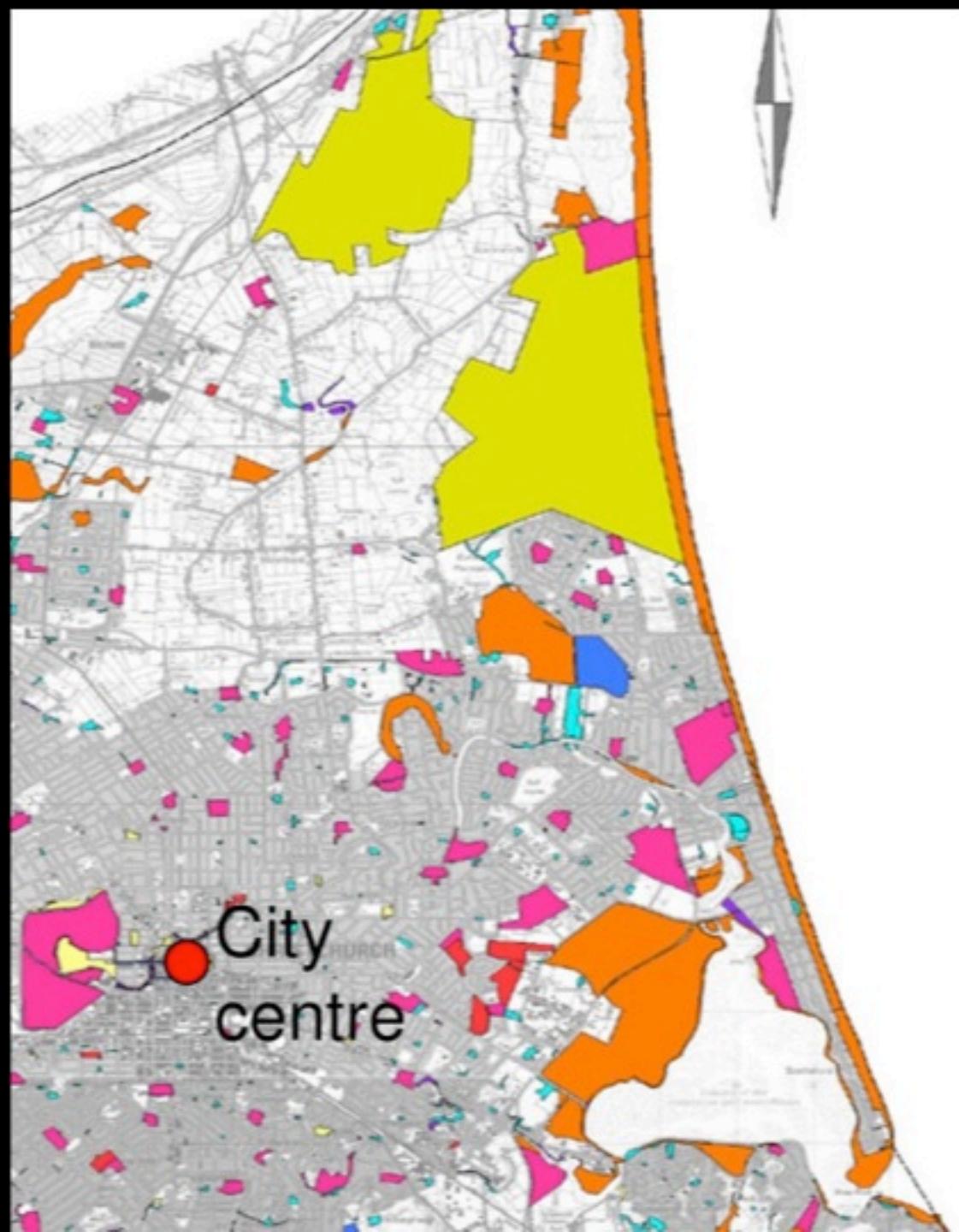




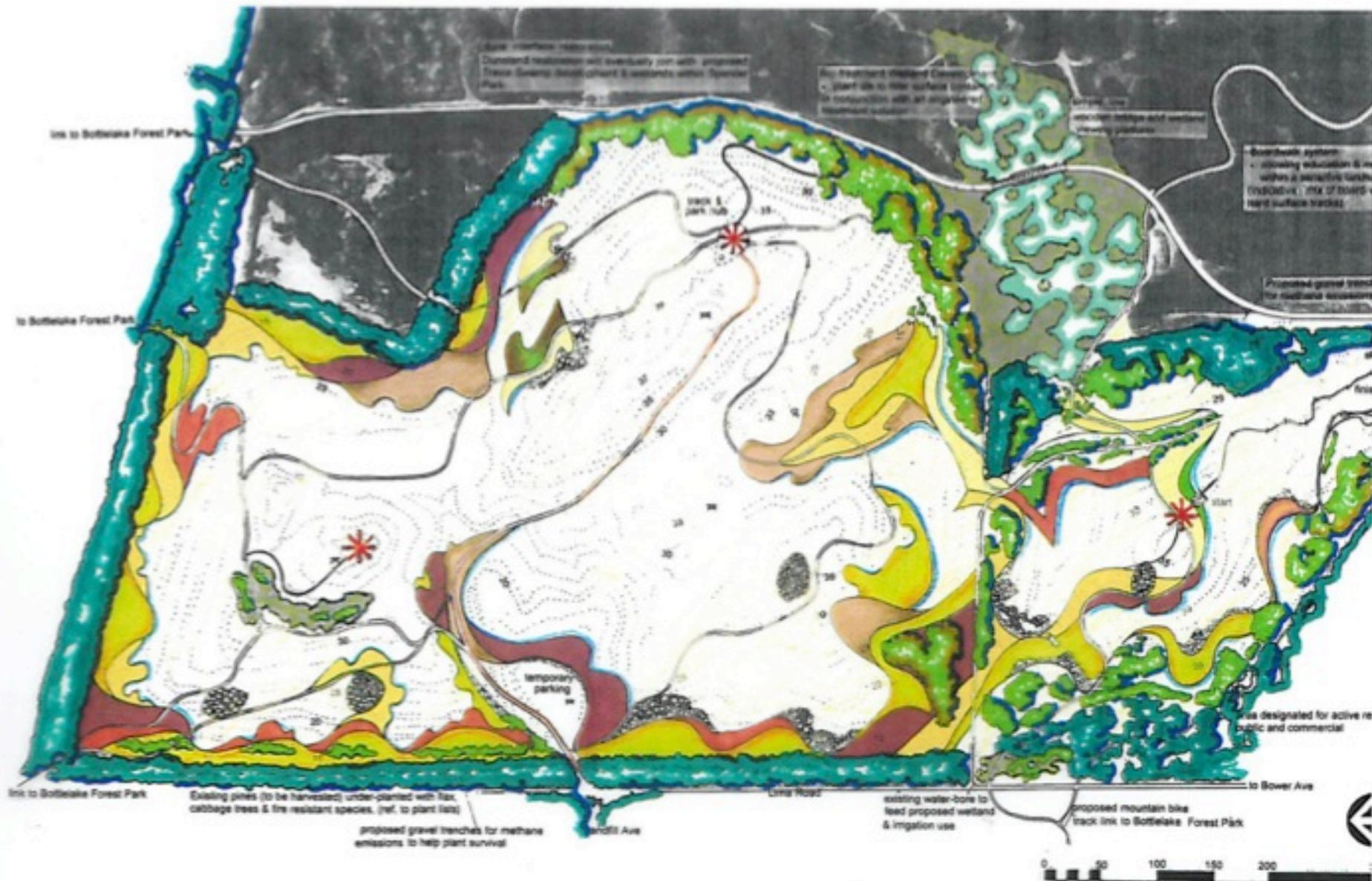
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780 parks  
50,000 street trees

- [Pink square] Sports Park
- [Purple square] Riverbank Area
- [Blue square] Regional Park
- [Cyan square] Community Park
- [Yellow square] Garden/Heritage Park
- [Light Green square] Forest Park
- [Orange square] Conservation Area
- [Red square] Cemetery
- [Green square] Department of Conservation Administered
- [Light Brown square] Conservation Covenant on private land

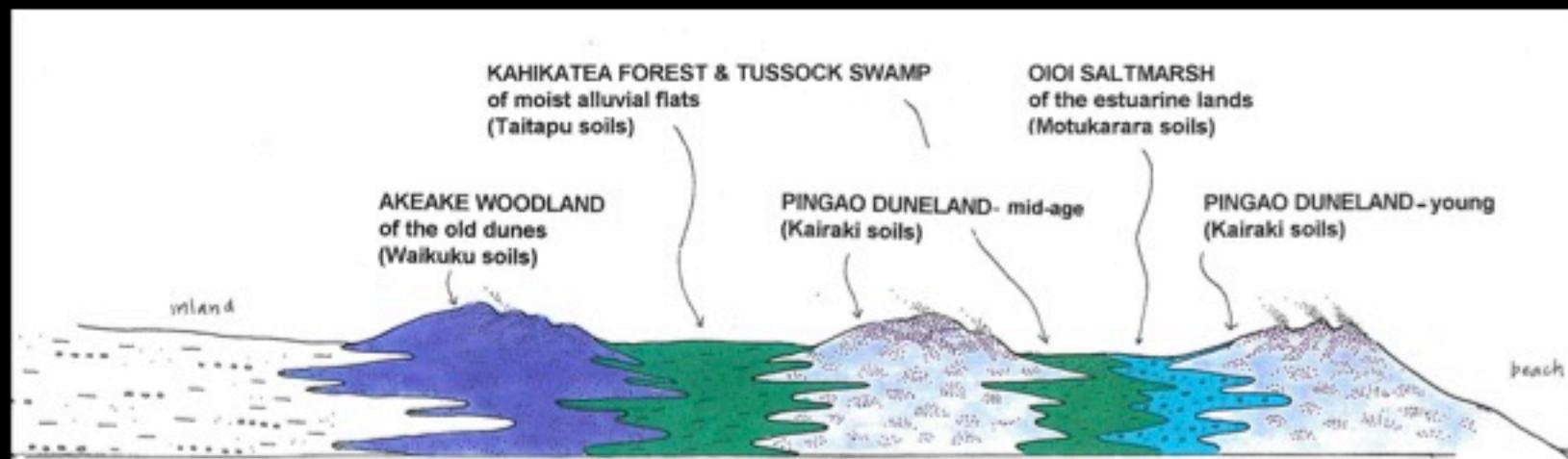


# Burwood Landfill Concept

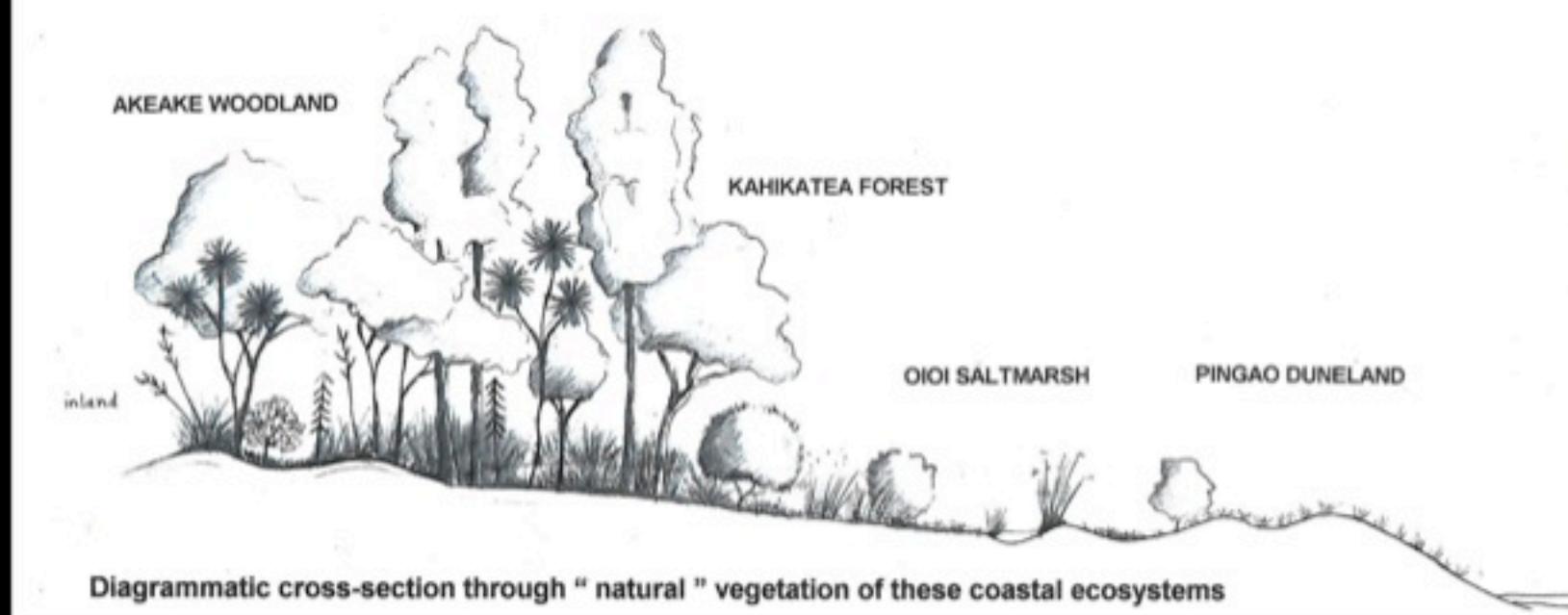




# Diagrammatic cross-sections through 'natural' vegetation of these coastal ecosystems



Diagrammatic cross-section through land system underlying ecosystems

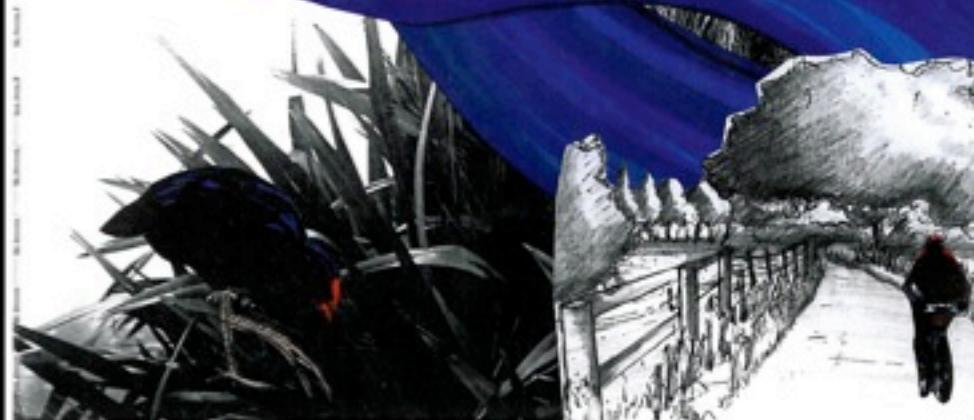


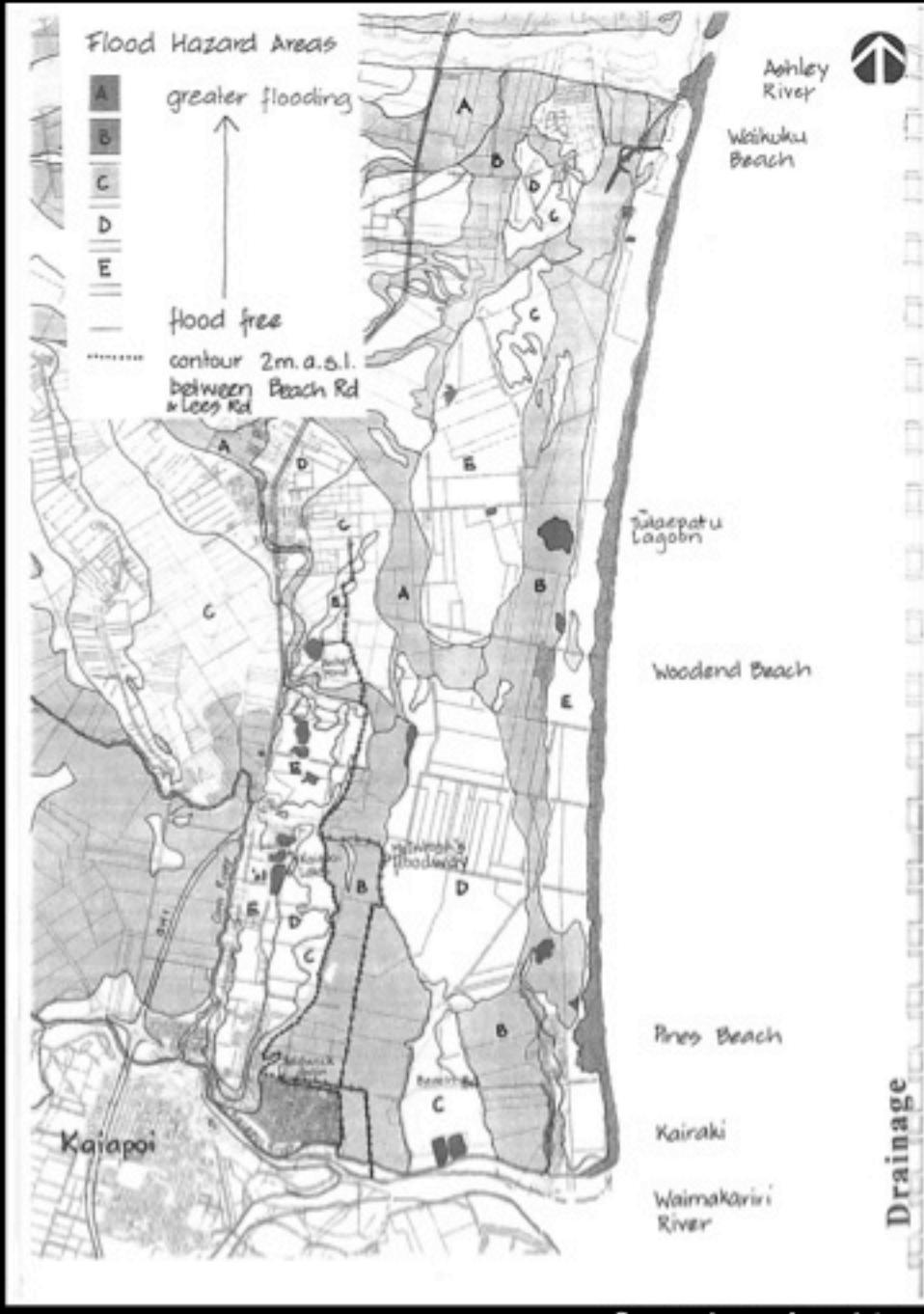
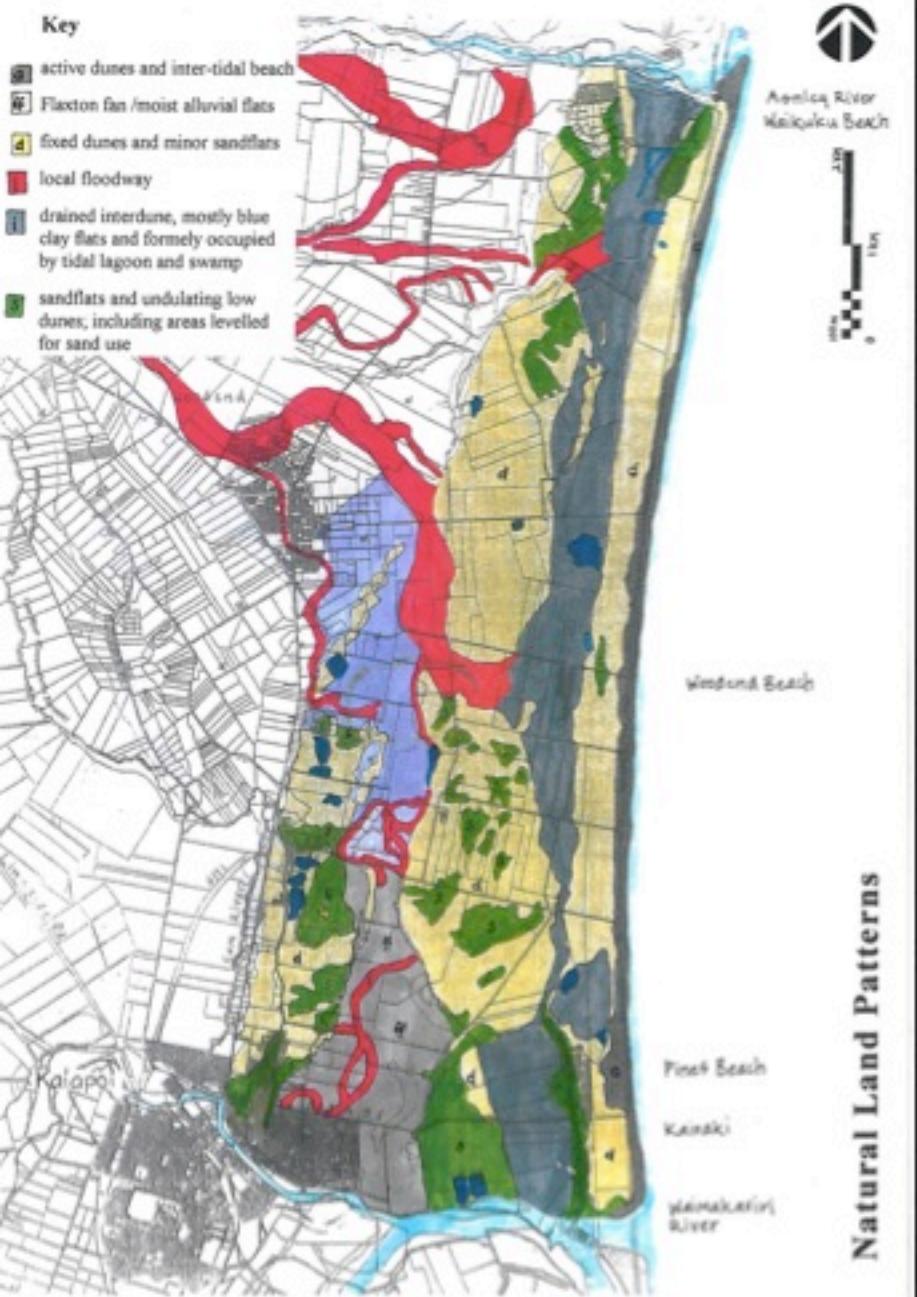
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# KAIAPOI URBAN DESIGN STUDY



Common Ground and Lucas Associates





## Land Patterns and Const

Although only a few metres above sea level. These sands and gravels were brought down by the river during interglacial periods when sea levels were higher than at present. The north-east lands have thus unde

## Coastal Erosion

The coast continues to build up lower inland areas. Excepting for hazard. Accelerated sea level rise in the coastal water table (Kirk,

## Dune Country

The lands north-east of Kaiapoi are dune-sands. The bands of free-drainage areas between. (refer to Suggested by some nearby sites have been deposited over the so

The higher, drier sand country areas have been mined, and in Kaiapoi Lakes pit pond sequenc

## Liquefaction

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## 12 Kaiapoi Urban Design Study 1999



## Low, Flat Land

The major topographic constraint is the low elevation, flatness and high water table of the floodway. The gentleness of the dune slopes of the north-east lands provide few constraints for urban development. In planning and design of urban development, the subtle landform distinctions and patterns could be:

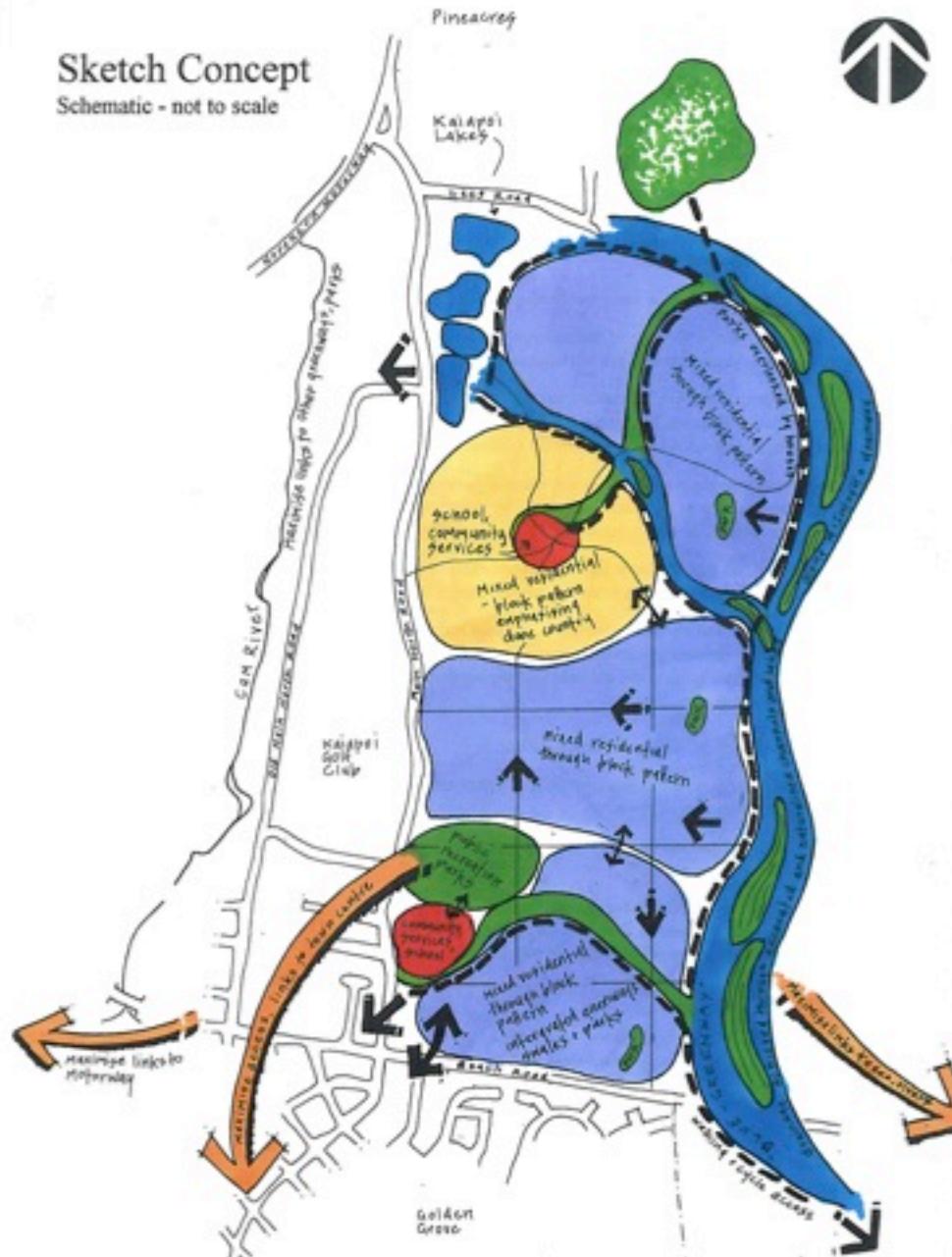
- \* followed;
- \* exaggerated with cut and fill - e.g. making the waterway deeper, the dunes higher;
- \* ignored, and largely filled or smoothed over to form drivable surfaces; or,
- \* countered through development of contrasting landforms - as in the stopbank form that typically sits abruptly on flat floodplains.

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Schematic - not to scale



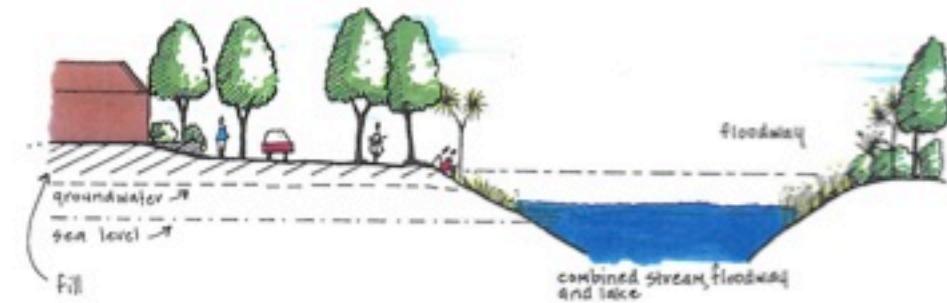
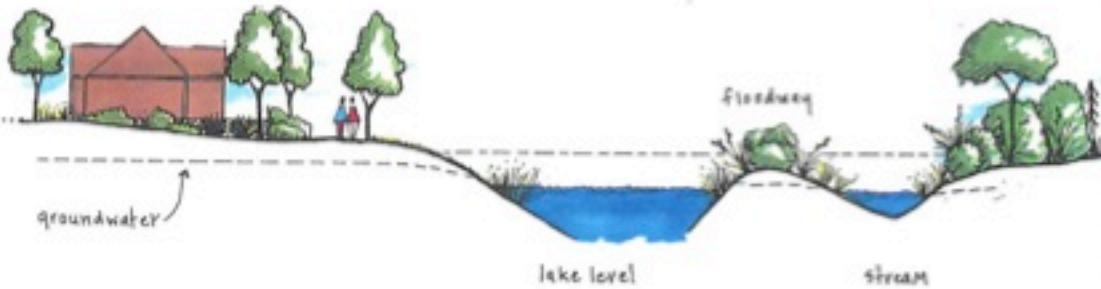
## Swale Drainage

Cross Section



## Blue-Greenway Concept

Cross Sections



Source: Lucas Associates

## Tjibaou Cultural Centre, New Caledonia





Source: Rachel-de-Lambert, Boffa Miskell

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