

Takaka FLAG – Update to EPC
3: Takaka Water Management Catchments - Overview
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#### **Outline**

- Takaka Water Management Catchments
  - Extent of Freshwater Management Unit (FMU)
  - Catchment dynamics water resources & linkages
  - Water demand and use considerations

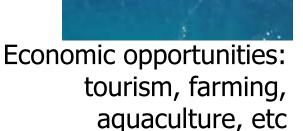
## What makes this area special?



Complex geology and complex water systems



Pure, free drinking water





Highest fish diversity measured in NZ (Onekaka)



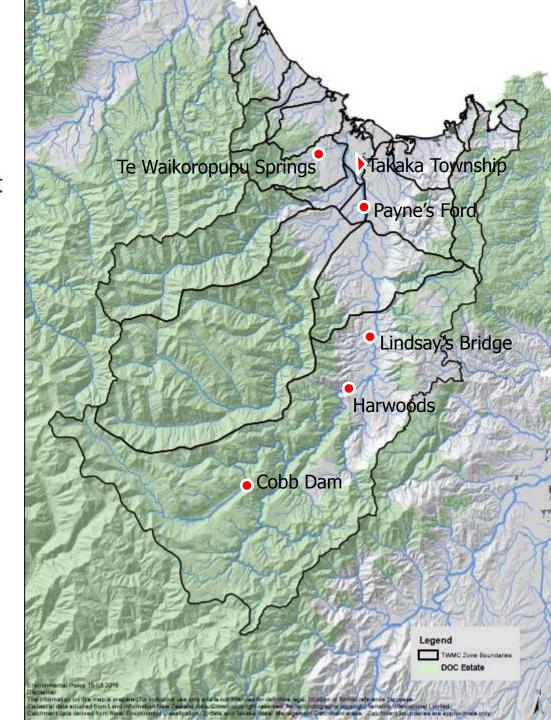
Te Waikoropupu Springs: Wahi Tapu, some of the clearest water in the world



Fantastic swimming & recreation

# Takakaka Water Management Catchments (TWMC)

- Freshwater Management Unit (FMU)
- Catchment Zones
  - Surface water catchments
  - Groundwater linkages
    - Groundwater access
    - River drying zone
    - Water quality relationships
- AMA Recharge area
  - Unconfined area of aquifer
  - Contributing catchment areas
- Confined AMA area
  - Confined area of aquifer
- Coastal margin
  - Salt intrusion risks



#### Water resources and features

- Rivers
  - Spring fed (eg Motupipi, Te Waikoropupu River)
  - Intermittent only flowing during or flowing rain (eg Rameka)

 Drying reaches – at times all surface water flows into groundwater (eg Takaka River in Middle Takaka zone)

#### Lakes

- Closed sinkholes (eg Killarney)
- Artificial (eg Cobb)

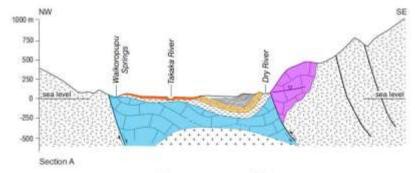
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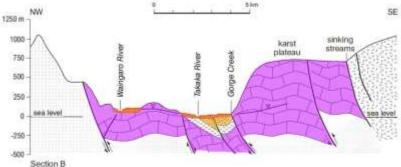
- 3 main aquifers: Marble, limestone and gravel linked in places
- Confined and unconfined

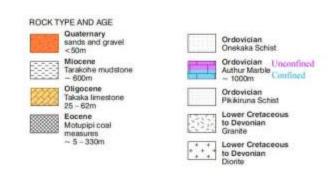
#### Springs

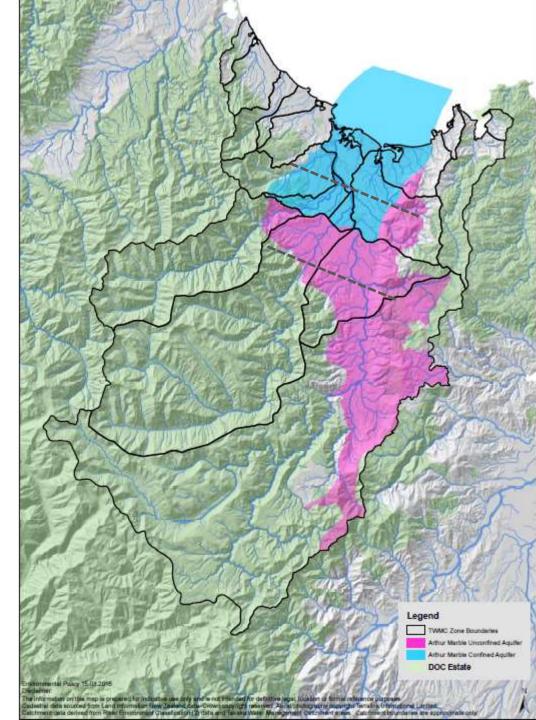
- Large (TWS) and small
- Permanent and intermittent
- TWS has tidal and Cobb influence and salt water inflow
- Estuaries and bays
  - Affected by surface water flows (eg Motupipi, Waitapu, Pohara, etc)

# Arthur Marble Aquifer (AMA)

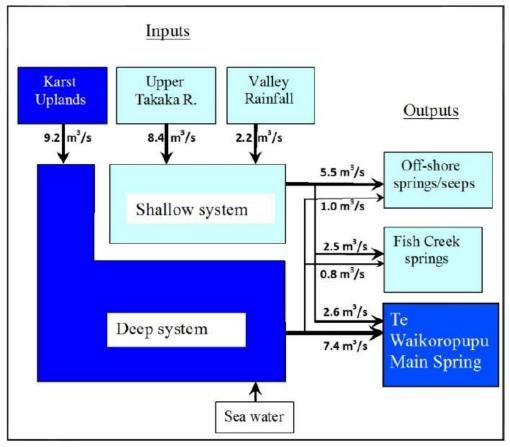


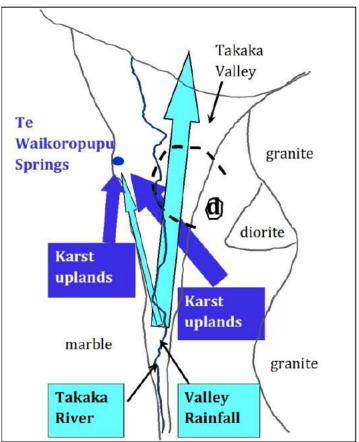






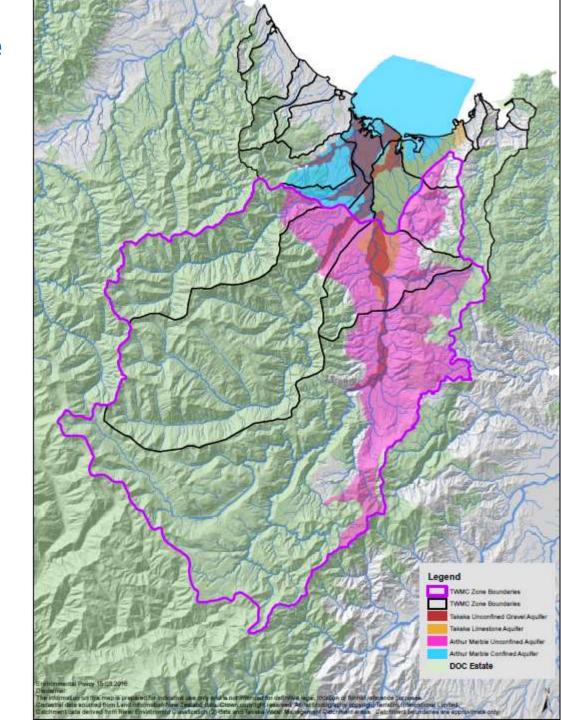
#### Arthur Marble Aquifer and Spring flows



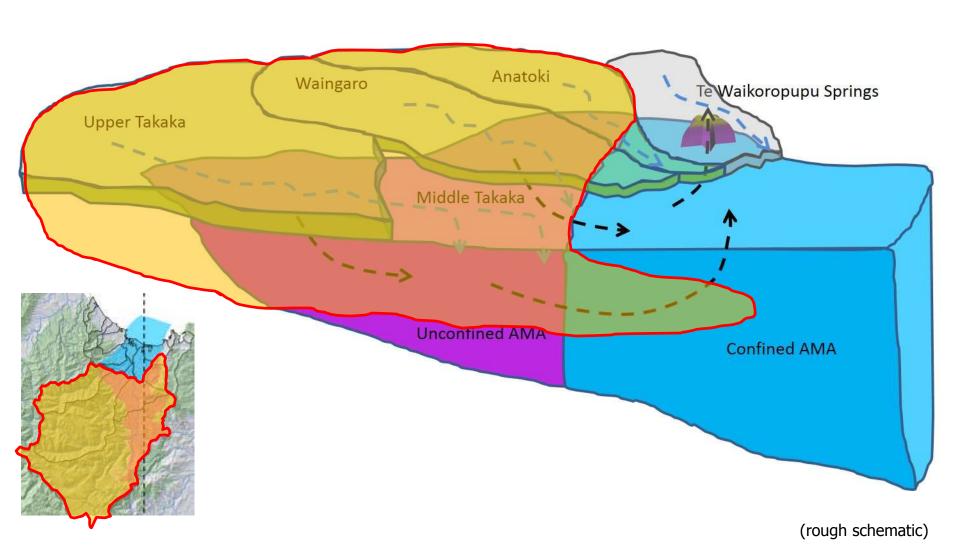


### AMA Recharge Zone

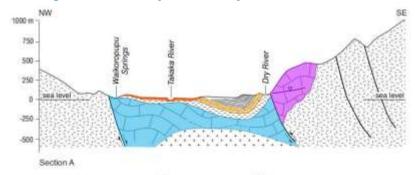
- All catchment areas that overly or feed into the unconfined part of the AMA
- These areas feed the confined AMA – part of which comes out at Te Waikoropupu Springs

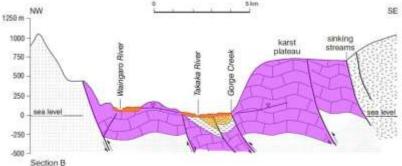


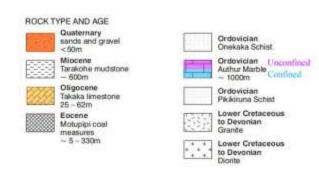
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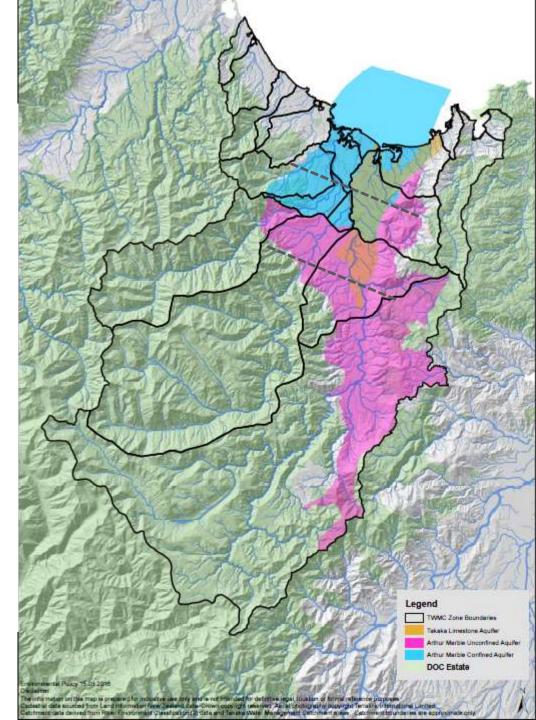


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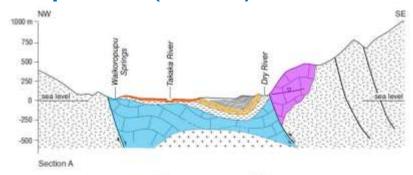


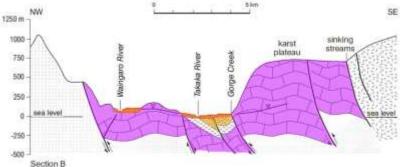


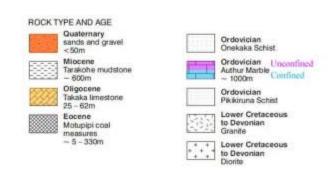


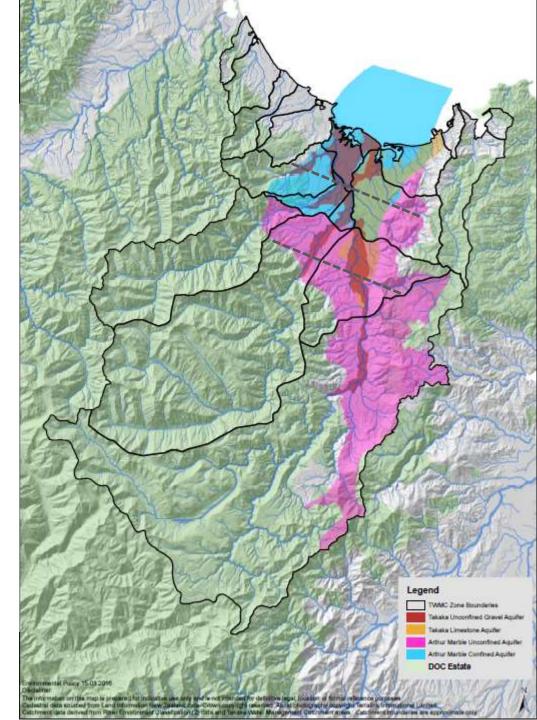


# Takaka Gravel Aquifer (TGA)









#### Water demand and use

- Demand for maintaining or improving water quality
  - Swimming and other recreation
  - Cultural and spiritual values (eg Te Waikoropupu Springs)
  - Drinking water (particularly groundwater)
  - Fishing and food gathering (freshwater and coastal)
  - Tourism, aquaculture, hydro-electric
- Demand for consumptive use of water
  - Farming, industry and commercial uses
    - Waiting list
    - Future potential demands eg bottled water
  - Urban growth
- Understanding potential conflicts
- Understanding pathways of effect and risks
- Complex water system we don't fully understand

# Questions?