

Pre-season update

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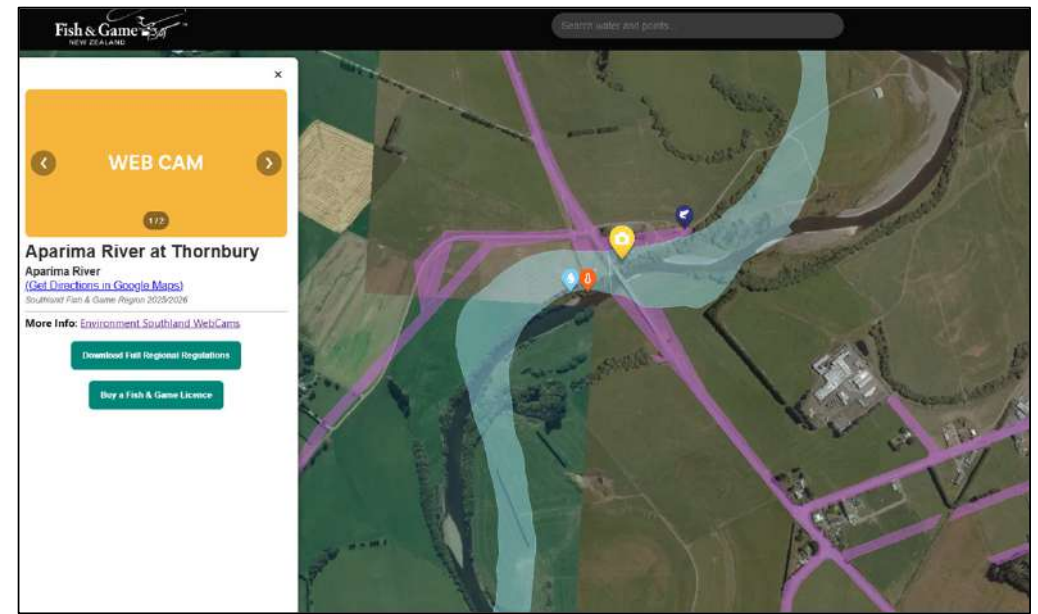
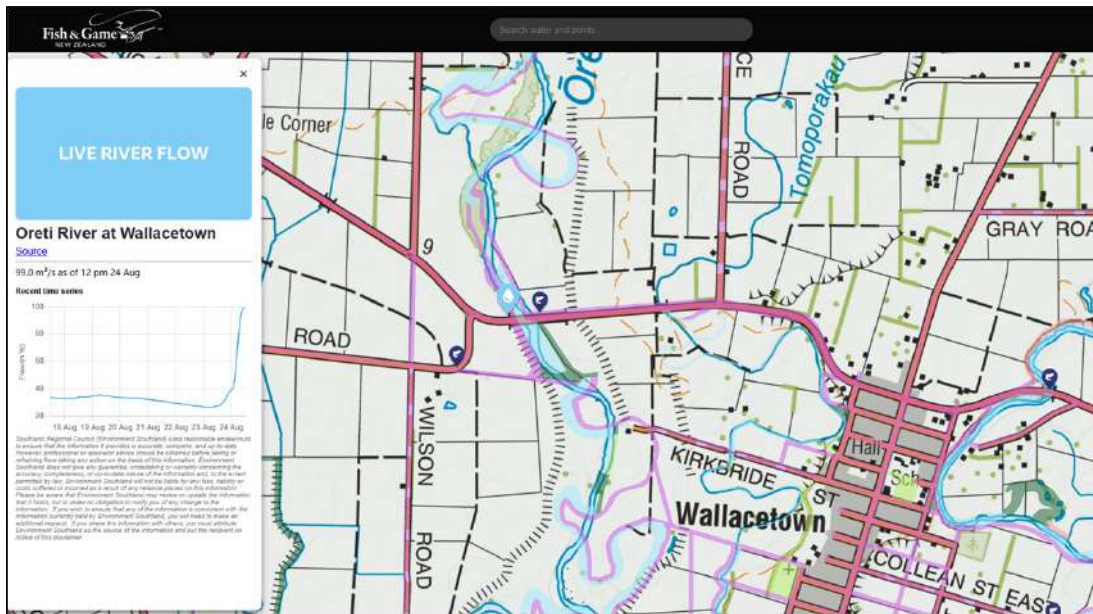


Discussion outline

- Access map upgrades
- Drift diving results
- Fishing Knowledge Hub
- Mouse year ahead



Updated access maps



<https://fishandgameaccessmap.org/?data=dev>

Drift diving reaches

River / Reach	Location Description	Number of Reaches	River Length (km)	Data Range
Upper Oreti River	Ca. 3km either side of Three Kings Gorge	2	6.9	2000–2026
Upper Mataura River	Ca. 2km either side of Garston Bridge	2	3.6	1994–2026
Mid Mararoa River	Kiwi Burn to Wash Creek	6	6.0	1999–2026
Lower Mararoa River	Whitestone River confluence to Mararoa Gorge	4	6.2	2004–2026
Monowai River	Lake outlet to weir	1	6.9	1981–2026
Upper Waiau River	Lake Te Anau outlet to Balloon Loop	7	7.0	2005–2026
Lower Waiau River	Mararoa Lake Control to Jericho	6	6.0	2006–2026
Mid-Aparima River	Etalvale and Opio	2	6.6	2005–2025

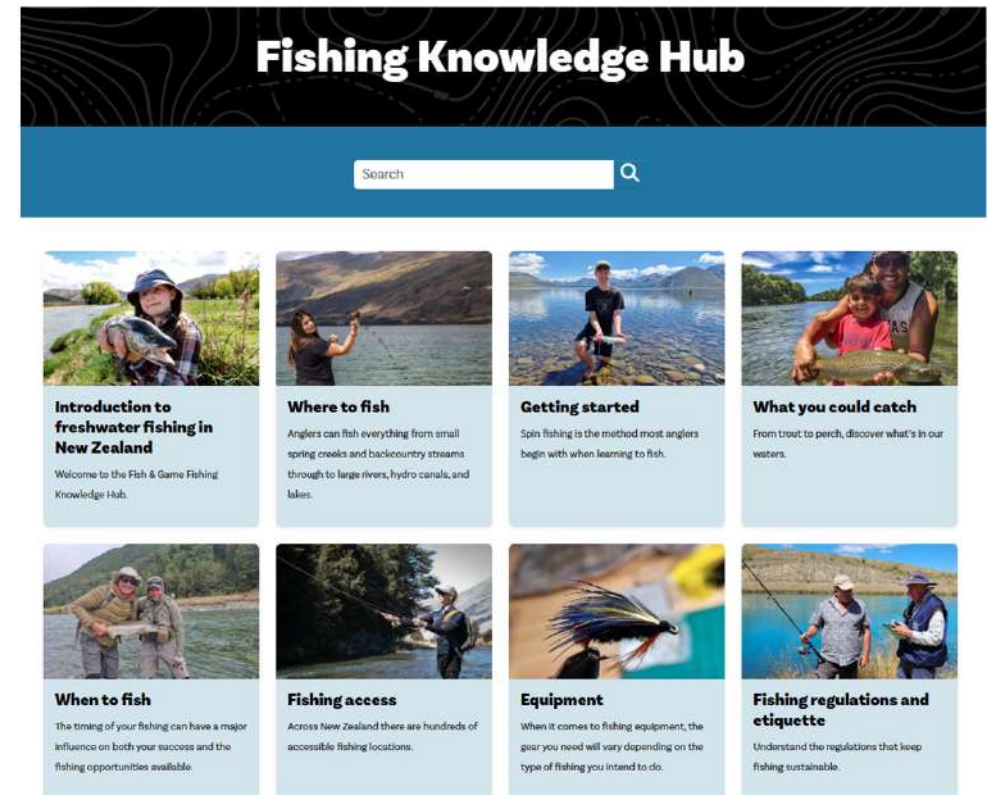
Drift diving results

River	Long-term average number of trout per km of river	Number trout per km (2025/26)	Short term (5 year) population trend	Long-term population trend (>5year)
Upper Oreti	20 brown	30 brown trout (>400mm)	Stable	Stable
Upper Mataura	32 brown	20 brown trout	Decline	Increasing
Mid-Aparima	40 brown	Not available	Stable	Declining
Monowai	10 brown trout	9 brown trout (>250mm)	Brown declining	Brown declining
	12 rainbow trout	7 rainbow trout (>250mm)	Rainbow declining	Rainbow declining
Lower Mararoa	4 brown trout	6 brown (>250mm)	Brown stable	Brown stable
	28 rainbow trout	104 rainbow (>250mm)	Rainbow stable	Rainbow increasing
Mid-Mararoa	3 brown trout	6 brown trout (>250mm)	Brown stable	Brown declining
	5 rainbow	5 rainbow trout (>250mm)	Rainbow stable	Rainbow declining
Upper Waiau	76 brown	30 Brown	Brown stable	Brown stable
	252 rainbow	104 Rainbow	Rainbow stable	Rainbow stable
Lower Waiau	57 (both species collectively)	54 (both species collectively)	Brown stable	Brown declining
			Rainbow stable	Rainbow declining

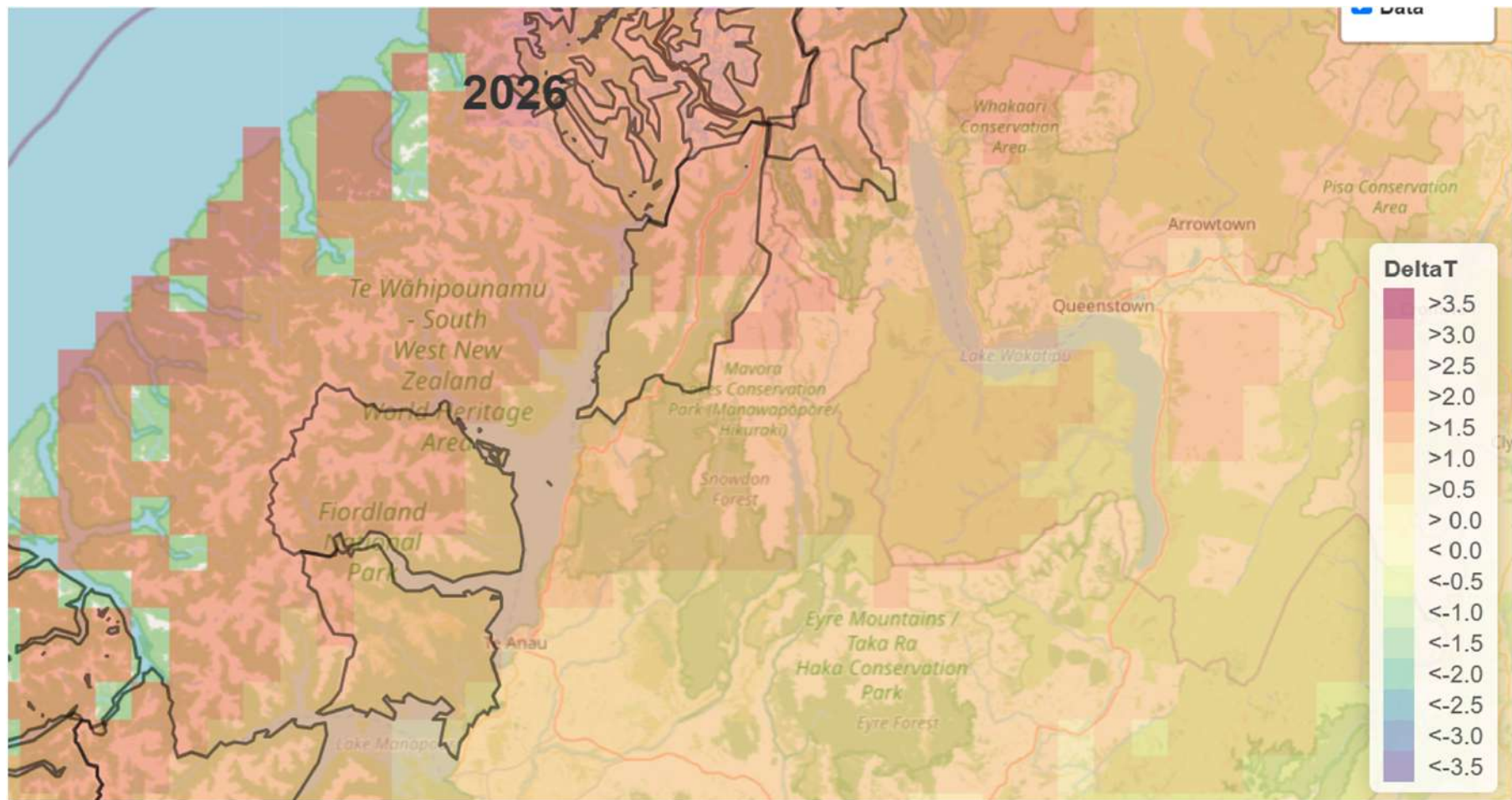
Fishing knowledge Hub

- Southland staff have been supporting NZC on the development of the Fishing Knowledge Hub.
- This will be an online resource for beginner anglers or those looking to upskill.
- Covers all elements of trout fishing with written material, downloadable PDFs and instructional video.

<https://www.fishandgame.org.nz/fishing-knowledge-hub>



Mouse year ahead



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Te Anau – Light Murchison's – Moderate-Strong

Kepler – Moderate-Strong

Eglinton – Moderate in South, heavy in North

Clinton - Heavy

Hollyford - Heavy

Manapouri - Light

Monowai - Light

Borland – Moderate

Houroko - Moderate

Mavora - Light

