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Te Papa Atawhai

RECCE SITE DESCRIPTION RECORD SHEET

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START TIME: _____ FINISH TIME: _____

PLOT IDENTIFIER: _____ DAY/MONTH/YEAR: _____

SURVEY: _____ TOPO. MAP NO. & NAME: _____

REGION: _____ GPS Make & Model: _____

CATCHMENT: _____ Easting: _____

SUB-CATCHMENT: _____ Northing: _____

MEASURED BY: _____ GPS FIX: Single / Averaged; 2D / 3D Datum: NZGD2000

RECORDED BY: _____ GPS ACCURACY: 100% Y / N ; ± _____m

LANDCOVER CLASS: _____ LAND-USE CLASS: _____

PLOT AXES	**A–D**			**D–M**			**M–P**			**P–A**		
SECTION	**1**	**2**	**3**	**1**	**2**	**3**	**1**	**2**	**3**	**1**	**2**	**3**
BEARING(°)												
TIGHT TAPE DISTANCE (M)												
TIGHT TAPE SLOPE (º,+/–)												
HORIZONTAL DIST (M) VERTEX												
PHOTO IN – DATE AND TIME	**A**			**D**			**M**			**P**		

ALTITUDE (m)	(GPS)	(MAP)	
PHYSIOGRAPHY	Ridge, Face, Gully, Terrace		
ASPECT (0–359º)			
SLOPE (º)	TYPE Convex, Concave, Linear		
PARENT MATERIAL	Mapped / Observed		
DRAINAGE	Good, Moderate, Poor		
CULTURAL	None, Burnt, Logged, Cleared, Mined, Grazed, Tracked		
APPROACH			

MESOSCALE TOPOGRAPHIC INDEX (º, record +/–)		
N	0 º	
NE	45 º	
E	90 º	
SE	135 º	
S	180 º	
SW	225 º	
W	270 º	
NW	315 º	

Soil depth (cm)	**SURFACE CHARACTERISTICS**
	Bedrock %
A	Broken rock %
D	Size of broken rock <30cm/>30cm
M	Alluvial, Colluvial, Moraine, Volcanic
P	**GROUND COVER %:**
C	Vegetation
	Non-vascular
	Litter
	Bare Ground
	Rock
	AVERAGE TOP HEIGHT (m)
	CANOPY COVER (%)

LOCATION DIAGRAM

VEGETATION DESCRIPTION AND NOTES

BROWSE:

Species	Severity	Herbivore	Species	Severity	Herbivore
	L M H			L M H	
	L M H			L M H	
	L M H			L M H	
	L M H			L M H	

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Cover-classes: 1= <1%, 2=1–5%, 3=6–25%, 4=26–50%, 5=51–75%, 6=76–100%.
For a 20×20-m plot area: 1% = 2×2-m (i.e. 4 m^2); 5% = 4×5-m (i.e. 20 m^2).

	Tier 1	Tier 2	Tier 3	Tier 4	Tier 5	Tier 6
	>25 m	12–25 m	5–12 m	2–5 m	0.3–2 m	<0.3 m
Overall Cover						
Tier 7						
Epiphytes						
FAUNA (e.g., mammal, bird, reptile, invertebrate)						