

thence easterly across the Taylor Pass Road; thence northerly along the eastern side of the Taylor Pass Road to Hospital Road; thence easterly along the southern side of Hospital Road to Howick Road; thence southerly by the western side of Howick Road to Wither Road; thence westerly by the north side of Wither Road to a point in line with the eastern boundary of Section 30, Block IV, Taylor Pass Survey District; thence southerly across that road and by the eastern boundary of Section 30, Wither Settlement, to the northern boundary of Section 8, Wither Settlement; thence easterly along the northern boundary of Section 8, Wither Settlement, to the public road known as Redwood Street, and across that road; thence northerly along the eastern side of Redwood Street to the Wither Road; thence easterly along the south side of Wither Road to a point in line with the western boundary of the northern portion of Section 9, Wither Settlement; thence northerly across Wither Road and along the western boundary of Section 9 aforesaid to Hospital Road; thence easterly along the southern side of Hospital Road to the western boundary of Section 42, Opawa, Block IV aforesaid, and by a right line to a point on a public road approximately 6 chains north of the south-east corner of Section 34, Opawa, in Block IV aforesaid, and again by a right line to the intersection of the south Island Main Trunk Railway-line with the boundary of Section 2 of Block II, Omaka, in Block IV aforesaid, and along the said railway-line to the Pieton-Bluff State Highway; thence generally in a westerly direction by the State highway to the south-western corner of Section 33, Opawa, in Block XVII, Cloudy Bay Survey District; thence in a northerly direction by the western boundary of the said Section 33 aforesaid to the southern bank of the Opawa River; thence generally in an easterly direction by the southern banks of the Opawa and Wairau Rivers to the north-eastern corner of part Section 8, Opawa, Block I, Clifford Bay Survey District; thence southerly by the eastern boundaries of Sections 8, 7, and 9, Opawa, Block I aforesaid, to Morgan's Creek; thence westerly by that creek to Section 22, Opawa, Block I aforesaid; thence southerly by the eastern boundaries of Sections 22 and 21, Opawa, Block I aforesaid, and Section 20, Opawa, Block II, Clifford Bay Survey District, to Section 18, Opawa, Block II aforesaid; thence generally in an easterly direction by the northern boundary of Section 18 aforesaid to Chandler's Lagoon, and by the shores of that lagoon and the northern boundaries of Sections 13, Opawa, Block II aforesaid, 7 of Block I, Wakefield Downs, 9 of Block II, Omaka, 8 of Block I, Wakefield Downs, and 10 of Block II, Omaka, all in Block III, Clifford Bay Survey District, to the sea; thence in a southerly direction along the sea-coast to the Awatere River, and in a south-westerly direction along the northern bank of the Awatere River to the point of commencement.

T. J. SHERRARD,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

#### Constitution of Rural Fire District

B. C. FREYBERG, Governor-General  
ORDER IN COUNCIL

At the Government Buildings at Wellington, this 30th day of  
March, 1949

Present:

THE RIGHT HON. P. FRASER PRESIDING IN COUNCIL

PURSUANT to the Forest and Rural Fires Act, 1947. His Excellency the Governor-General, acting by and with the advice and consent of the Executive Council, doth hereby constitute and declare the areas described in the Schedule hereto to be a rural fire district, to be known as the "Tuwharetoa Rural Fire District"; and doth hereby specify the trees and other plants situated on the lands in the said areas as the property for the protection of which the district is constituted; and doth hereby further specify the period between the first day of October in any one year and the thirtieth day of April in the following year (both days inclusive) as a closed fire season in the said district; and doth hereby further declare that this Order in Council shall come into force, and that the Tuwharetoa Rural Fire District shall become a rural fire district, on the day following publication of this Order in Council in the *Gazette*; and doth hereby prescribe that the said district shall be administered for the purposes of the said Act by a rural fire committee which shall be known as the Tuwharetoa Rural Fire Committee, and with respect to the said Rural Fire Committee doth hereby make the following regulations.

#### REGULATIONS

1. IN these regulations, unless the context otherwise requires,—

"Act" means the Forest and Rural Fires Act, 1947;

"Committee" means the Tuwharetoa Rural Fire Committee constituted by these regulations;

"District" means the Tuwharetoa Rural Fire District;

"Minister" means the Commissioner of State Forests.

2. The Rural Fire Committee Regulations 1949, shall, so far as they are applicable, and with the necessary modifications, apply to the Tuwharetoa Rural Fire Committee constituted by these regulations, and these regulations shall be deemed to be special regulations for the purposes of those regulations.

#### MEMBERS

3. The Committee shall consist of nine members, who shall be appointed in the following manner:—

- Three members (herein referred to as the Government representatives), who may be the holders of specified offices in the Public Service, shall be appointed by the Minister as representatives of the New Zealand Government. One of the Government representatives shall be an officer of the State Forest Service; one shall be an officer of the Department of Maori Affairs; and one shall be an officer of the Department of Lands and Survey. They shall represent the forest, land development, and other interests of the Crown in the said district, and for the purposes of the said Act the Government representatives shall be deemed to represent the Crown as owner of land on which is situated property for the protection of which the Tuwharetoa Rural Fire District is constituted;
- Four members (herein referred to as the Maori representatives) shall be appointed by a resolution at a meeting of Maori forest owners, which shall be summoned and shall follow the procedure prescribed for a meeting of assembled owners in Part XVIII of the Maori Land Act, 1931;
- One member (herein referred to as the sawmillers' representative) shall be appointed either by a resolution passed by a majority of those present at a meeting of sawmill or logging proprietors affected by the constitution of the Tuwharetoa Rural Fire District, or by a majority vote by ballot of those present at such a meeting, as those so present by resolution determine;
- One member (herein referred to as the occupiers' representative) who shall be appointed either by a resolution passed by a majority of those present at a meeting of the owners or occupiers of land affected by the constitution of the Tuwharetoa Rural Fire District, or by a majority vote by ballot of those present at such a meeting as those so present by resolution determine.

4. The Registrar of the Aotea District Maori Land Board shall be the Returning Officer for the first appointments of the Maori representatives, the occupiers' representative, and the sawmillers' representative, and shall convene such meetings and conduct such ballots as may be required for the first appointments, and shall also convene the first meeting of the Committee. Thereafter the Secretary of the Committee shall be the returning officer.

#### SCHEDULE

AUCKLAND AND WELLINGTON LAND DISTRICTS.—AUCKLAND,  
ROTORUA, AND WELLINGTON CONSERVANCIES

#### Tuwharetoa Rural Fire District

ALL those areas in the Auckland and Wellington Land Districts, Taumarunui and Taupo Counties, containing approximately 235,000 acres, and described as follows:—

All that area containing approximately 178,000 acres, situated in Puketapu, Karangahape, Pukawa, Maungaku, Puketi, Pihanga, Waimanu, and Tongariro Survey Districts, and bounded generally as follows: Towards the north by a permanent State forest (*Gazette*, 1935, page 581), part of Waihaha No. 3 Block, and the Oruapuraho River; towards the east by Lake Taupo and the Tokaanu River to a point due west of Trig. Station E (Manganamu); towards the north by a right line bearing due east to the eastern side of the Tongariro Bridge—Waihi Pa Main Highway; towards the north-east by the north-eastern side of the said highway to the National Park—Taupo Main Highway, and by the crossing of the latter highway; towards the east by the eastern side of the last-mentioned highway and the Poutu Stream; towards the south by the Poutu Stream and the southern shore of Lake Roto Aira; towards the east by the Te One Stream; towards the south-west by the south-western side of the National Park—Taupo Main Highway and the Roto Aira Road; towards the south-east by the south-eastern side of the said road; towards the south-west by the Otamangakau Stream; towards the south by the said stream and the Wanganui River; towards the west by the Wanganui River, the Waipari Stream, and a right line bearing due north to the south-eastern corner of Hauhungaroa No. 11 Block (permanent State forest—*Gazette*, 1943, page 319); towards the south by Hauhungaroa No. 10 Block; and towards the west by Hauhungaroa No. 8 Block; and all that area containing approximately 57,000 acres, situated in Blocks XIII and XIV, Tauhara Survey District, Blocks II, IV, V, and IX, Tokaanu Survey District, Blocks I, II, III, V, VI, VII, VIII, IX, X, XI, XII, XIII, and XIV, Waitahanui Survey District, and Block V, Maruanui Survey District, and bounded generally as follows: Towards the north-east by Tauhara South A Block; towards the south-east generally by Wharetoto Nos. 8 and B Blocks, Patehe Block, Kaimanawa Nos. 1c and 1e 2a Blocks, Section 1, Block XII, Waitahanui Survey District, Kaimanawa No. 1e 2c Block, Section 1, Block XI, Waitahanui Survey District, and Kaimanawa Nos. 1e 2e, 1e 2f, 1f 1 Blocks, and Tauranga Taupo 3b 1a Block; towards the north-east by Tauranga Taupo Nos. 3a and 2a Blocks; towards the north-west by Tauranga Taupo No. 2a Block; towards the north-east by part of Tauranga Taupo No. 2b 1 Block and the Waitekoko Stream; towards the north-west by Lake Taupo; and towards the north by the Hinemaia Stream and the northern side of the National Park—Taupo State Highway. As the same are more particularly delineated on Plans Nos. 53/3 and 54/14, deposited in the Head Office of the State Forest Service at Wellington, and thereon bordered red.

T. J. SHERRARD,  
Clerk of the Executive Council.

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