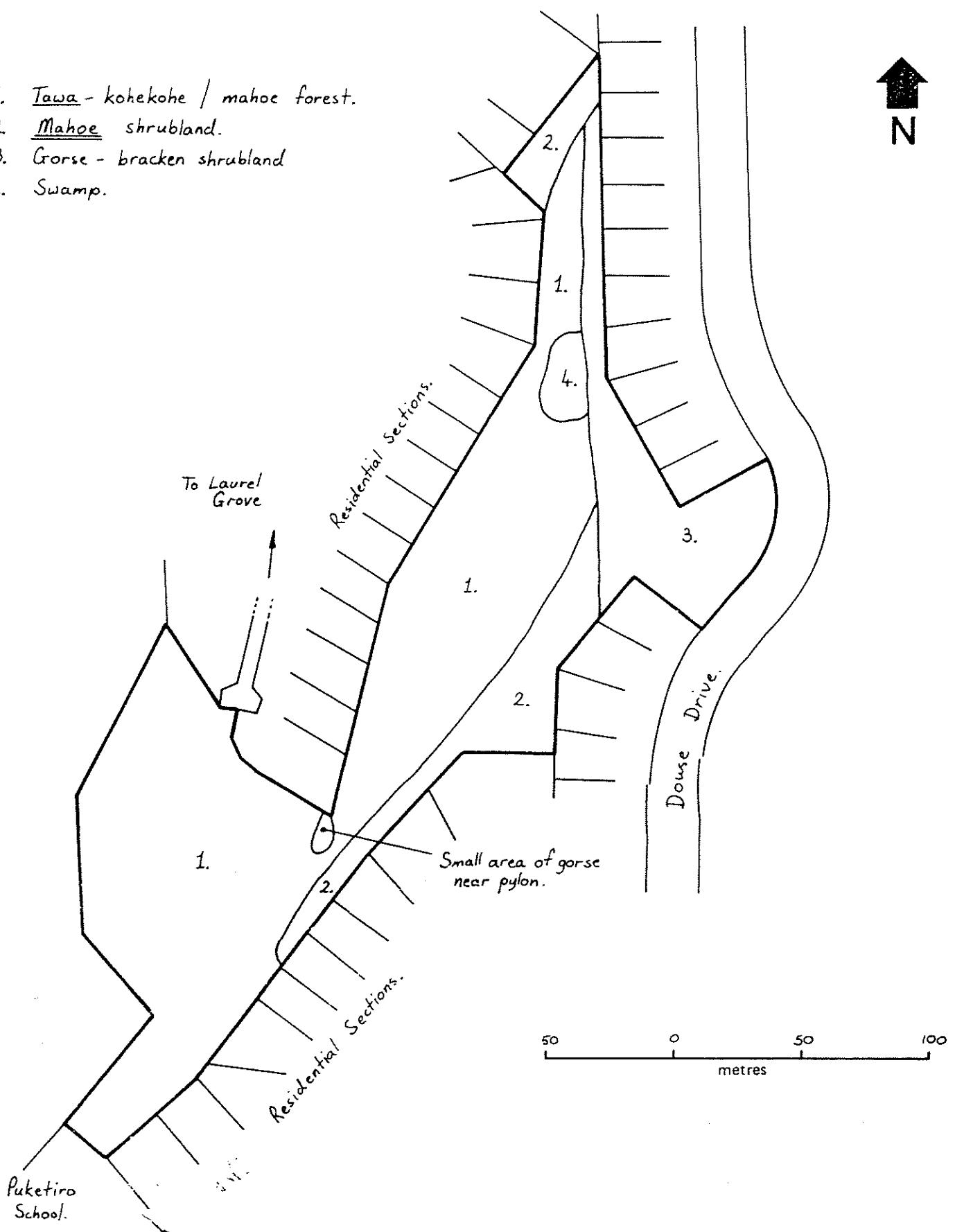


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2. Mahoe shrubland.
3. Gorse - bracken shrubland
4. Swamp.



Holdaway Scenic Reserve

Area: 2.9134 ha



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OUTLINE & TOPO Two steep gullies and unstable slopes, clothed in remnant tawa-kohekohe forest and secondary shrubland.							STATUS Scenic																																																																																																																								
SURROUNDINGS Suburb of Maungaraki on three sides, remnant tawa-kohekohe forest in gully between Holdaway and Percy Scenic Reserve.							RES sub-Cties																																																																																																																								
GEOLOGY Shattered greywacke							CONTROL Lower Hutt City Council																																																																																																																								
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		WATER / SHORE						MAMMALS												
10.3	tall conifer ¹ forest/trees conifer ¹ forest/trees beech forest/trees BL ¹ forest/trees	a = adjoined reserve	large	small	several	filled/cultivated	overhanging	emergent	herbaceous	cult.	rack	stone	shingle	mud	organic	rubbish	eutrophic	foot	boat	car
11.2	scrub/shrubs ~6m tall tussocks/grassland short tussocks/grassland grassland/greases sedgeland/cedges rushland/rushes/raupo herbland/herbs "tussock" herblands ⁴ fernland/ferns "moss" land bog/breathen	sw/fw coast																		
	exotic grassland exotic herbland/weedland exotic scrub/shrubs exotic forest/trees introduced "native" cover	sw/fw beach																		
	Agg/swamp/patichic marsh sw/fw	sw/fw estuary																		
	bluff/rocks	sw/fw rockpool																		
	bluff/rocks in bush	lake 120m +																		
	wetland	pool/fern																		
	stream	river 5m +																		
	springs/seepage	spring/seepage																		
1.4	(access)													N	S	M				
	signpost	to	S	M	adj															
	clear entry					✓														
	car																			
	4wd																			
	path																			
	marked track																			
	rough track																			
	paper road																			
	boat																			
	no obvious																			
	no legal		✓																	
	(general)	1	S	M	adj															
	reserve notice																			
	information notice																			
	plant labels																			
	picnic + water																			
	ditto + car																			
	boating																			
99.3	unnatural noise											N	S	M	adj					
	visual pollution										✓									

¹ tall conifer: kahikatea, kauri, matai, miro, rimu, totara² remaining 11 tree-sized spp³ broadleaved⁴ e.g. flax⁵ incl. rough grassland, pasture etc.

Indicator sp? but not T.P.

TREES AND SHRUBS

Native

Aristotelia serrata
Beilschmiedia tawa
Brachyglottis repanda
Carpodetus serratus
Cassinia leptophylla
Coprosma grandifolia
C. robusta
Corynocarpus laevigatus
Dysoxylum spectabile

Fuchsia excorticata
Geniostoma rupestre var.
Griselinia lucida
Hebe stricta var. *atkinsonii*
Hedycarya arborea
Knightia excelsa
Laurelia novae-zelandiae
Lophomyrtus bullata
Macropiper excelsum

Melicytus ramiflorus
Myrsine australis
Podocarpus ferrugineus
 (= *Prumnopitys ferruginea*)
Pseudopanax arboreus
P. crassifolius
Rhopalostylis sapida
Schefflera digitata
Weinmannia racemosa

Adventive and Planted

Berberis glaucocarpa
Cytisus scoparius
Hoheria populnea
Myoporum tasmanicum

Pittosporum eugenoides
P. tenuifolium
Podocarpus totara

Pseudopanax laetus
Salix sp.
Ulex europaeus

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CLIMBERS, LIANES ETC.

Native

Clematis paniculata
Freylinetia baueriana ssp. *banksii*
Metrosideros diffusa

Metrosideros fulgens
Muehlenbeckia australis
M. complexa

Parsonsia heterophylla
Ripogonum scandens

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Adventive

Lathyrus latifolius

Leycesteria formosa

Rubus fruticosus agg.

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GRASSES, RUSHES AND LIKE PLANTS

Native

Carex flagellifera
Cyperus ustulatus

Juncus gregiflorus
Scirpus prolifer (= *Isolepis prolifer*)

Scirpus reticularis (= *Isolepis reticularis*)
Uncinia uncinata

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Adventive

Agrostis tenuis
Dactylis glomerata

Glyceria declinata
Holcus lanatus

Juncus articulatus

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HERBS

Native

Astelia solandri
Collospermum hastatum

Earina autumnalis
Phormium tenax (planted)

Stellaria parviflora

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Adventive

Allium triquetrum
Angelica geniculata
Brassica rapa
Cardamine sp.
Cirsium vulgare
Conyza sp.
Cryptostemma calendula
Digitalis purpurea
Foeniculum vulgare
Fumaria muralis

Galium aparine
Geranium robertianum
Mimulus guttatus
Nasturtium microphyllum
Plantago lanceolata
Polygonum aviculare agg.
Prunella vulgaris
Ranunculus repens
Rumex obtusifolius

Senecio jacobaea
S. sp. (S. cineraria cv.)
Solanum nigrum
Sonchus oleraceus
Stellaria media
Tradescantia fluminensis
Vicia sativa
Vinca major
Zantedeschia aethiopica

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FERNS

Native

Alsophila tricolor (= *Cyathea dealbata*)
Asplenium bulbiferum
A. flaccidum
A. oblongifolium
A. polyodon
Blechnum chambersii
B. filiforme
B. sp. (B. capense agg.)
 (common sp.)

Dicksonia squarrosa
Histiopteris incisa
Hymenophyllum demissum
Lastreopsis glabella
L. hispida
Paesia scaberula
Phymatosorus diversifolius
P. scandens

Pneumatopteris pennigera
Polystichum richardii
Pteridium esculentum
Pteris macilenta
Pyrrosia serpens
Sphaeropteris medullaris
 (= *Cyathea medullaris*)
Trichomanes venosum

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BIRDS

blackbird
fantail
greywarbler

house sparrow
silvereye
songthrush

starling
white-backed magpie

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