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|  | Your organisation | Your role |
| Title | Department of Nature Conservation (DNC) | Manager – Easternville Regional Office |
| Description | Central government agency responsible for protecting, conserving, and growing the country’s natural and historic heritage. | * You oversee the work of several rangers who look after County Catchment’s nature reserve land. * You are also responsible for the team that works on the Wahi Tapu programme, which allows for the protection of indigenous land through covenants. * You are based in Easternville. |
| Goals | * Maintain, protect, and restore the country’s natural and historical heritage. * Increase national recreation rates and encourage more public participation in conservation. | Progress conservation outcomes in Easternville and the surrounding area, including support for community-based conservation efforts. |
| Values | Work together to advance conservation, care for each other and our visitors, and learn together as a team. |  |
| Relationships | Based in Capital City beside other central government departments. | * You report directly to the DNC director in Capital City. * You are well-connected with catchment residents and other local agencies through your participation in community-based conservation efforts. * Your local staff members have extensive networks and relationships with community members. |
| Resources | * The Wahi Tapu fund has an annual budget of $6 million that can be allocated for the management of culturally, spiritually, and/or ecologically significant covenant land. * DNC has significant budget constraints overall but is prepared to invest up to $2 million over the next several years in catchment restoration efforts. * DNC supports local conservation initiatives through in-kind resources. |  |
| You are here because … | DNC would like to participate more fully in the County catchment planning process. So far, because DNC is not perceived as an economic development agency, attempts to become more involved have not borne fruit. | You and your director both feel that DNC requires a stronger voice in catchment planning matters. You are eager to progress connections with the various parties active in the catchment in order to become more involved. |