



**Lottery Grants Board**

Te Puna Tahua

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## REQUEST FOR

**R-LEH-2019-100229 for Lottery Environment and Heritage**

Date Request Received: 6 August 2018

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## ORGANISATION DETAILS

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<b>Organisation:</b>	BRAID INCORPORATED
<b>location:</b>	RD1,
<b>Who is the primary contact for this request?</b>	Sandra Whitelaw
<b>Who could sign the grant agreement if offered? Signature 1</b>	Sandra Whitelaw
<b>Who could sign the grant agreement if offered? Signature 2</b>	Nick Ledgard

### Organisation Details

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I confirm the information in our organisation profile including email address, bank account details and GST status, has been checked and is up-to-date.

**Confirmation:** I confirm

### ▼ LOTTO NZ PUBLICITY

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## REQUEST DETAILS

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### What do you want funding for?

To employ a permanent part-time manager to:

1. Continue the successful 3-year 'partnerships project' (2016-2018) to develop and foster partnerships with organisations, businesses and recreational river users to help protect braided rivers and braided river birds. The primary focus on colony nesting birds tarāpuka/black-billed gull (nationally critical) and tarapirohe/black-fronted tern (nationally endangered) because they are easily seen. Actions that benefit them result in collateral benefits for all braided river bird species and the biodiversity of the entire ecosystem.
2. Refine and develop content for trapping workshops by merging courses on braided river birds and monitoring protocols, with the goal of developing and implementing a predator management accreditation programme.
3. Expand and refine recently completed teaching and educational resources (see attached PDF) so they can be used to design unit standards (NZQA).
4. Support the nascent community-led trapping group we set up (following a trapping workshop) on the Ashley River estuary with the specific goal of reintroducing kāki/black stilt into the estuary. Currently there are only 120-odd wild kāki, all breeding in only one location: the Mackenzie Basin. This leaves them highly vulnerable to a singular catastrophic event.
5. Support Te Kohaka o Tuhaitara Trust's proposal to have having the Ashley Rakahuri pūhatanga granted the legal status of a person.
6. Advocate for braided rivers and braided river birds at every opportunity, particularly to regional and local councils.
7. Organise and run two Braided River seminars in mid-2019 and mid-2021.
8. Implement more robust monitoring of colony nesting birds including the use of an in-house drone (we experimented with this last season). Current monitoring (bird counts) occur only at the beginning of or during early stages of nesting. There has been little to no capacity for robust bird counts throughout the breeding season, to determine nesting success and possible population recruitment.
9. Organise and run one river bird survey while assisting with surveys run by other groups/organisations
10. Maintain the 450+ page BRaid website now recognised as the No 1 port of call for braided river ecosystem information, maintain a strong social media presence, and publish 6 newsletters annually (18 in total over 3 years).
11. Provide support through advice and resources to our affiliates and the wider community.

### What community need do you propose to meet?

Iwi regard critically endangered braided birds as taonga, and the mauri of braided rivers as well as their role in providing mahinga kai is central to their wellbeing. One of the questions most frequently asked of us is from the wider community is, 'What can we do to help?' While most people support conservation, few tools exist to enable people to significantly contribute to protecting braided rivers and braided river birds. This is because:

- (a) until recently, braided rivers have not been recognized by most of the community as providing vital ecosystem services with unique conservation values;
- (b) defining the physical area of braided rivers is problematic, as is the question of ownership and responsibility along different sections of rivers;
- (c) braided river birds are migratory and transient. They do not necessarily return to the same location, or even the same river, from year to year, plus their numbers are declining;
- (d) tarāpuka/black-billed gulls, for instance, still suffer an identity crisis.

Now that more attention is being focused on the state of our rivers, this an opportune period to engage the wider community by developing and providing educational and practical field tools to conserve and restore braided rivers and braided river bird habitats.

### How will you address the need?

By working with existing partners and developing and fostering new relationships with those working in the braided river space, plus the wider community, primarily but not exclusively across the South Island, to implement the points outlined above. We have a proven track record in our ability to do this.

<b>Project name/title:</b>	Braided Rivers Community Partnership
<b>What is the project start date?</b>	10/12/2018
<b>What is the project end date?</b>	10/12/2021

### FUNDING BENEFIT LOCATION

Where will the benefit of this grant request be realised?

## Location

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Southland District  
 Central Otago District  
 Waitaki District  
 Timaru District  
 Ashburton District  
 Waimakariri District  
 Hurunui District  
 Kaikoura District  
 Marlborough District  
 Tasman District

## NGĀ HUA/OUTCOMES

### What are the expected benefits/outcomes?

1. Support for existing and new businesses and organisations actively engaged in conservation activities on and around braided rivers, to help fulfill our core aim and DOC's goal to, 'Have every business committed to conservation by 2050.' (Lou Sanson, PA2050, June 2018)
2. Development of a certified training package that incorporate pest management, bird ID, and monitoring skills, will lead to better, more holistic conservation outcomes plus provide certification/ accreditation for these skills.
3. Ready-made environmental educational resources that teachers can use to meet New Zealand curriculum unit standards. "Conservation, it's in our DNA." (Hon. Eugene Sage, PA2050, June 2018).
4. Re-introduction of kākī to the Ashley Rakahuri. This will reduce the risk of extinction from a locational catastrophic event, lead to increased genetic diversity, and preserve one of Ngāi Tūāhuriri values, by returning a taonga species to its ancestral home.
5. Surety that the Ashley Rakahuri and its cultural and environmental assets are restored and protected for future generations.
6. Reduction of the decline in braided river bird habitat and a halt to the continued decline in the populations of endangered and nationally critical taonga bird species.
7. Provision of an open platform to share the latest research, management strategies, issues, and practical work thus far, and provision of networking opportunities between interested parties, thereby playing a fundamental role in restoring and protecting braided river bird habits and biodiversity.
8. A better understanding of fledgling success or failure, thereby significantly contributing to understanding the efficacy of current management strategies.
9. More bird surveys providing a baseline of information to prove the efficacy of management strategies
10. Maintenance of a comprehensive and responsive information portal to communicate all of the above to the wider community as well as those working in the braided river sector.
11. Enablement of our affiliates and the wider community to affect a better conservation outcome.

### Mahinga/activities: briefly describe your project or planned activities:

1. Continue to support and expand activities to engage a broad range of organisations and individuals in contributing to conservation outcomes, according to their needs and capabilities. Recognise these activities by continuing to develop and implement the BRaid accreditation Awards for improved bird management.
2. Continue to run and/or support trapping workshops run by other organisations, and merge elements with courses on braided river birds and monitoring protocols to develop accreditation programmes.
3. Work with professional educators to refine our existing educational resources to meet unit standards.
4. Support the nascent trapping programme around the Ashley River estuary.
5. Work with Te Kohaka o Tuhaitara Trust to support the goal of having the Ashley Rakahuri pūahatanga granted the legal status of a person.
6. Advocate for braided rivers and braided river birds at every opportunity.
7. Organise and run 2 braided river seminars.
8. Monitor colony nesting birds on key sites throughout the season, and report outcomes.
9. Organise, manage, and run one bird survey on the Wilberforce River, with appropriate reporting; assist with bird surveys run by other organisations.
10. Maintain and continually update the BRaid website with the latest information and send at least 6 newsletters to active subscribers, annually.
11. Respond to requests for information and provide practical assistance for research and field conservation management activities.

## How do you know this is needed?

### Environmental and Cultural

Braided rivers are rare in the world, but in New Zealand they are well represented, with 59% of the country's braided river area in Canterbury. Braided rivers are recognised as a special place in its own right in the Canterbury Conservation Management Strategy 2014-2024. In recognition of their importance and value, braided rivers are the only ecosystem in the ten broadly targeted areas to have its own set of targets in the Canterbury Water Management Strategy. One of the CWMS targets under 'Natural Character of Braided Rivers' is to implement actions to correct the decline in useable braided river bird habitat. However, this target is still a long way from being met, because strategies for water management in Canterbury have largely been focussed on permissible water takes and nitrogen loads, not on reversing the decline in braided river bird habitats.

Braided river bird species are taonga species that form a fundamental part of the cultural identity and heritage of Ngāi Tahu. These endemic species include, amongst others, the kāki/black stilt (nationally critical) the tarāpuka/black-billed gull (nationally critical), tarapirohe/black-fronted tern (nationally endangered), ngutu pare/wrybill (nationally vulnerable), and turiwhatu/banded dotterel (nationally vulnerable).

Prior to the implementation of the Braided Rivers Partnership Project 2015-2018, there was little understanding in some sectors of the true extent and nature of threats to braided rivers and their unique ecosystems. Bird counts still show that overall populations continue to decline. New threats to birds and braided river ecologies were also revealed during this period, but so too were new and promising management strategies, some of which are starting to prove effective. These problems and management options were publically showcased (with effective cross-fertilisation of ideas) through two braided river seminars that BRaid organised and hosted in 2016 and 2017. Each seminar was attended by over 150 people. The supporting document by Dr Richard Maloney, Department of Conservation, 2017 ('DOC\_future-targets braided-rivers.pdf') outlines the key issues to be addressed going forward. Three relatively new but major challenges being addressed by BRaid are:

- The exploding population of predatory black-backed/karoro or Kelp gulls across New Zealand. In some locations, they are proving to be an equal or greater threat than mammalian predators to endemic braided river species. This presents two urgent problems:
  - (a) Little understanding in the wider community of the difference between 'gulls': one species is in plague numbers; the second is one step from extinction.
  - (b) Black-backed gulls cannot be controlled through trapping, and thus, new strategies need to be developed and tested, and the wider community needs to be engaged to pre-empt adverse reaction (such as occurs with the use of 1080). Some experimental work on the use of nesting 'cages' to protect smaller braided river birds is underway and this needs to be investigated further, as it is proving highly effective.
- The loss of braided river area. Braided rivers themselves also suffer an identity crisis. The shingle beds have been and largely still are regarded as wastelands that can be mined for gravel, used as roads, or cultivated, instead of what they really are, which is highly productive and biologically rich features of a globally rare ecosystem (see DOC reference above). Unlike 'normal' rivers, braided rivers are not just waterways. They are highly dynamic and spatially complex ecosystem composed of ever-changing channels of water across periodically dry floodplains called braidplains. According to NIWA, these systems are amongst the most biologically diverse and productive systems on earth. Research by Environment Canterbury has revealed that between 1990-2012 alone, 11,630ha of braidplain was converted into intensive agriculture, reducing not only the amount of potential habitats for endemic and native braided river flora and fauna, but also by changing the hydro-geomorphology and thus, ecosystem services of the rivers (ECan Technical Report: <http://braid.org.nz/wp-content/uploads/2016/06/LandusechangeonthemarginsofflowlandCanterburybraidedrivers19902012.pdf>). In spite of the successes of the Partnerships Programme, according to the authors, (Philip Grove, BRaid Seminar 2017), this habitat loss continues.
- Climate change. While the biota of braided rivers has evolved to deal with freshes and floods, changing weather patterns due to climate change are altering the timing and intensity of floods. Combined with ongoing habitat loss, this places further downward pressure on braided river bird species.

### Educational

"Environmental education is a new focus for education. It is a way of helping individuals and societies to resolve fundamental issues relating to the current and future use of the world's resources. However, simply raising awareness of these issues is insufficient to bring about change. Environmental education must strongly promote the need for personal initiatives and social participation to achieve sustainability." (p 9 Learning to Care for Our Environment: Me Ako ki te Tiaki Taiao: A National Strategy for Environmental Education: <https://www.doc.govt.nz/pagefiles/160808/environment-education-strategy-jun98.pdf>).

We have developed some social/educational engagement strategies over the past two and a half years, and have had considerable success in involving schools in simple but effective communications and advocacy strategies (see <http://braid.org.nz/the-flock/teaching-resources/> and 'The Flock' <http://braid.org.nz/the-flock/>). However, there has been no capacity to develop these into resources that teachers can use for students to meet NZQA unit standards. While this is not a 'core' part of our activities, education is an integral part, and this is a logical next step.

**How will you achieve it?**

1. Continue supporting and expanding the 'partnerships project'
2. Continue to run and/or support trapping workshops; refine and develop content by merging them with courses on braided river birds and monitoring protocols, with the goal of developing and implementing a predator management accreditation programme.
3. Work with education professionals to refine educational resources to develop NZQA unit standards.
4. Support the nascent trapping programme around the Ashley River estuary.
5. Support Te Kohaka o Tuhaitara Trust's goal of having the pūahatanga granted the legal status of a person.
6. Advocate for braided rivers and braided river birds at every opportunity.
7. Organise and run 2 braided river seminars.
8. Monitor the number of colony nesting birds on key sites throughout the breeding season.
9. Implement established protocols to repeat previous bird surveys; work with existing volunteers and ground support crew including jetboat and local accommodation providers.
10. Maintain and continually update the 450+ page BRaid website with the latest information and send at least 18 newsletters to active subscribers over the 3-year period.
11. Provide support through advice and resources to our affiliates and the wider community.

**How will you show you have achieved it?**

- The number of existing partners operating independently, number of new partnerships, and number of accredited partners
- The number of trapping workshops supported, and number of attendees
- Completion and implementation of combined trapping/bird ID courses and accreditation programmes, and number delivered.
- The degree and number of elements featuring braided rivers incorporated into NZQA unit standards, or significant progress towards this as evidenced by specific programmes being used in some schools
- Number of trap nights and predators caught on the Ashley estuary. While this will be run by an independent group, along with work undertaken by the Ashley Rakahuri Rivercare Group and Te Kohaka o Tuhaitara Trust (both of whom create their own reports independently), the results will assist in gauging the suitability for re-introduction of kāki by 2022-2024 (depending in part on sufficient captive breeding stock being available).
- Number of joint programmes to reduce black-backed gull numbers, and evidence of community engagement.
- The Ashley Rakahuri has become, or demonstrably progressed to being given the legal status of a person.
- Advocacy has led to demonstrable action. For example, our advocacy to date has resulted in:
  - (a) Russell lupins being declared a pest species;
  - (b) ECan earmarking some \$200,000 for the management of braided river bird colonies on the Hurunui and Waiau Rivers;
  - (c) management plans being underway to control black-backed gulls on several rivers
  - (d) Trapping workshops resulted in new trapping groups with demonstrable results
- Results of monitoring colony nesting birds on key rivers over 3 years to gauge fledgling success.
- A report published on the current bird numbers in the Wilberforce River.
- Statistics showing the use of the website; evidence of 18 newsletters completed.

**How do you know the community supports your project? (e.g. What community consultation has taken place and is the project supported by local hapu and iwi?):**

This project supports elements of the Te Rūnanga o Kaikōura Environmental Management Plan 2007, Mahaanui Iwi Management Plan 2013, and Iwi Management Plan of the Kati Huitapa 1992, Arowhenua. Braided river bird species are taonga species that form a fundamental part of the cultural identity and heritage of Ngāi Tahu. BRaid's activities aim to preserve and restore Ngāi Tahu values, retain and enhance rare indigenous species, and provide educational opportunities and tools to enable all peoples to contribute to conservation of braided rivers and their unique birds.

Over the past 2.5 years, we have continuously demonstrated the willingness of communities to support projects to protect and restore braided river bird habits. We have recognised the efforts of commercial operators who volunteer their time and resources (see attached 'accreditation certificates'). The number of people, many of whom have never see a trap before, turning up to our seminars and trapping workshops also demonstrates that support. For example, in addition to works already underway by the Ashley Rakahuri Rivercare Group and Te Kohaka o Tuhaitara Trust's, more trapping was needed to enable kaki/black stilt to be returned to the Ashley estuary. The attached photo essay 'Ashley-Estuary-trapping-from-plan-to-results.pdf' tells that story from October 2017-June 2018.

**What community participation/collaboration will be involved?**

By its design, the project seeks to continually engage with all sectors of the community, collaborate with recreational and commercial river users, existing and nascent river care groups, and other Trusts and with linked interests and shared visions. It also seeks to engage and enable the next generation through the continued development and implementation of educational tools.

**How does your request align with the purpose or priorities of this fund?**

This request aims to protect, conserve and promote the unique and globally rare natural heritage of New Zealand: its braided rivers, to protect their native flora and fauna, and in particular to reverse the continued decline in the populations of braided river bird species and promote their importance and value as a fundamental part of our unique biological and cultural heritage.

This approach also segues with the realignment of conservation goals across government departments, in a very practical way, by enabling people with the tools to maximize conservation outcomes, with BRaid accreditation where appropriate.

**FUNDING BENEFIT ETHNICITY**

Please select the ethnic groups or communities which will benefit from your activities or project.

**Ethnicity**

All

**Other Ethnicity:****FINANCIAL INFORMATION**

**What is the total cost of the project?** \$89,886.00

**AMOUNT REQUESTED**

If you are GST registered this amount should be exclusive of GST. If you are not GST registered this amount should be inclusive of GST.

**What is the total grant you are requesting?** \$59,886.00

<b>percentage of project cost %</b>	66.624390895
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**Is your request for a plan or report?** no

**PARTNERSHIP FUNDING**

Please provide details of all partnership funding secured for this project, including the amount, the date and the source.

**Secured Partnership Funding**

\$15,000.00 1/7/2018 Environment Canterbury  
\$15,000.00 1/8/2018 BRaid

<b>Total partnership funding secured:</b>	\$30,000.00
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Secured partnership funding should be at least one third of the total cost of the project.

<b>Partnership funding as % of total project cost:</b>	33.375609105
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Secured partnership funding and amount requested should not exceed 100% of the total cost of the project

<b>Partnership funding and requested amount as % of total project cost:</b>	100
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### Comments on partnership funding and/or planned fund raising you are doing:

The project was designed to be contracted or expanded by varying the outputs and budget allocation, depending on the available funds.

Environment Canterbury has committed \$15,000.00 until 2019. We will continue to apply to ECan each year for this amount, but as it is not secured after that, we have included only the guaranteed \$15,000.00 to the existing \$15,000.00 of unallocated funds BRaid has budgeted for this (as of 09 December, 2018). Thus, the sum total of secured funds at this time is. \$30,000.00.

We may apply to the Department of Conservation Community Partnerships Fund for additional funding in order to increase outputs, but this is not critical to the viability of this project. DOC have been generous in supporting us through printing, transport, the use of their resources including hosting events, and remain committed to working closely with us into the future.

We may apply for some funding from the Rakaia Habitat Environmental Enhancement Trust for the cost of hiring a venue (undecided location) plus possibly catering for the braided river seminars (they have previously funded us for this).

We may possibly apply for some additional support for the Wilberforce River survey, from either the Rakaia Habitat Environmental Enhancement Trust or Coleridge Habitat Enhancement Trust (please refer to the latter's letter).

We may apply to PredatorFree2050 for some transport costs, hall hire, and catering for trapping workshops (they have previously funded us for this), however as we further develop these into combined courses with accreditation, we will work with DOC (who have also provided this), Boffa Miskell, and others to provide resources such as venues, printing, shared social media and online marketing etc., minimizing or even negating the need for additional dollar funding.

If and when other funding is required, for example for the purchase of additional traps to kick-start nascent rive care or trapping groups, we will seek funding from other sources including DOC (such as the 90 traps for the just-formed trapping group on the Ashley estuary. See 'Ashley Estuary trapping from plan to results.pdf' photo essay attached).

We periodically receive donations for specific projects (see attached financial statement for June 2018) that allow us to subcontract specialist services, such as the poisoning of black-backed gulls, ensuring better conservation outcomes.

Our 2017-2018 accounts are currently being audited; we add them if this application is successful, as they will be completed by then.

### PROJECT RELATIONSHIPS

Please provide contact details for the organisations, agencies or bodies who are involved in collaborating with your organisation on this project?

#### Project Collaborators



**Collaborator Type:** Agency  
**Collaborator Name:** Department of Conservation

**Contact Name:** Sarah Ensor

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**Collaborator Type:** Agency  
**Collaborator Name:** Environment Canterbury

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**Collaborator Type:** Organisation


**Collaborator Name:** Aspiring Biodiversity Trust

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**Contact Details**

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**Collaborator Name:** Ashley-Rakahuri Rivercare Group

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**Contact Details**

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 **Collaborator Type:** Organisation  
**Collaborator Name:** Te Kōhaka o Tūhaitara Trust

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**Contact Details**

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 **Collaborator Type:** Organisation  
**Collaborator Name:** Coleridge Habit Enhancement Trust (CHET)

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 **Collaborator Type:**  
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 **Collaborator Type:** Agency  
**Collaborator Name:** Royal Forest and Bird Protection Society of NZ Inc. Ashburton Branch

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 **Collaborator Type:**  
**Collaborator Name:** Rangiora High School

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**Give details of any projects or services being provided which are similar to your project:**

BRaid is an umbrella organisation. There are no other similar organisations other than our member organisations that focus on specific rivers. BRaid member and affiliate organisations include: Ashburton Forest & Bird, Ashley-Rakahuri Rivercare Group, Waiau Rivercare Group, Lower Waitaki River Management Society, the Orari River Protection Group, Coleridge Habit Enhancement Trust, the newly formed (with our support and assistance) Aspiring Biodiversity Trust, and as-yet-to-be named trapping group on the Ashley estuary, and others utilize our resources and are engaged in varying degrees appropriate to each river.

The Upper Waitaki is managed through the Department of Conservation's Project River Recovery, however this is not aimed at engaging river users/community groups, but instead actively supports BRaid's role in this regard. DOC also run trapping programmes in some rivers such as the Clarence and the Rakaia. They do not run educational programmes in schools, but they do support us in doing so (see ECan's Braided River Initiative, a 4-page infographic report for 2016-2017: <https://www.ecan.govt.nz/document/download?uri=3336481>)

ECan undertake some weed-clearing programmes in some sections of the rivers (contracted by LINZ) and, like



DOC, are key partners who provide us with resources. Following advocacy over the last few years, BRaid has assisted in identifying key locations where the Hurunui Zone Committee (under the Canterbury Water Management Strategy) can maximize biodiversity outcomes by investing \$200,000 in creating islands and managing black-backed gulls along the Hurunui and Waiau Rivers. This will be undertaken by ECan, Wildlife Management International Ltd, and ourselves acting in the role of community outreach and communications.

## PROJECT RESOURCES AND REQUIREMENTS

**Have you secured resource consent for the project?** Not Applicable

**Have you secured building consent for the project?** Not Applicable

**Does your organisation own the land the project will be on?** Not Applicable

**Will your organisation own the facility/site once the project has been completed?** Not Applicable

**Tell us about how your organisation will manage the facility, outlining how to fund the ongoing maintenance and running costs for the project:**

Who is, or will be, responsible for managing this project?

**Project Lead Name:** Sandra ('Sonny') Whitelaw

**Project Lead Email:** manager@braid.org.nz

**Project Lead Phone:** 0226378931

### Project Lead Qualifications:

Twenty years as owner/manger of the largest inbound tourism company in Vanuatu and member of the Vanuatu Board of Tourism, Sonny helped develop eco-tourism projects throughout the islands, and was later contracted under a European Union-funded sustainable development project to identify and manage micro-funded rural community initiatives. Having previously worked closely with the Research and Rescue arm of Sea World to change Vanuatu's laws to protect marine mammals, upon moving to Australia in 2000, Sonny was contracted by them and the NSW Fauna and Marine Parks Association, Queensland Wildlife Parks Association, and Fish n Ships Marine Education to design and promote environmental education across all sectors.

In 2012 in New Zealand, Sonny was recruited by the Hurunui District Council to complete the final 9-months of a DIA funded community development project. She designed and conducted a social survey across the district to determine the social impacts of the earthquakes (including a section on stakeholder engagement strategies and limitations), and subsequently worked with communities to create community-led development plans. Re-contracted by the Hurunui District Council as the Biodiversity Advisor under DOC funding, she worked collaboratively with DOC, Lincoln University and Hurunui College to run the Nina Valley Ecoblitz. Attended by 22 schools from Canterbury, West Coast and Nelson/Marlborough schools, the Project won the 2014 Green Ribbon Award for Education and Communication and Paramount Green Ribbon Award 2014. She continued to work with schools to develop biodiversity monitoring programmes and designed and managed a book project to empower and engage young people in conservation. Over 120 local children contributed to the 248-page A4 full colour (print and digital) book, Celebrating Biodiversity in the Hurunui District.

For the past three years that Sonny has managed BRaid, she has successfully implemented the existing Braided Rivers Partnerships Project (due to end December 2018) with organisations and businesses, overseen the environmental accreditation of several, created interactive educational resources and community art projects to promote braided river birds, built and run a 450+ page website, fostered the creation of the Aspiring Biodiversity Trust, and through a range of strategies has significantly elevated the profile of braided rivers and braided river birds, resulting in greater local government funding and resources now being directed to their management and protection.

Sonny has a BA in Geography and Anthropology (1979), an MA in Coastal Management and Climate Change (1981), an MA in Communications (2005), and Graduate Diploma in Sustainable Management (2011).

▼ SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION

Refer to Community Matters

Required Documents:

- Project budget
- Project Plan and timeline
- Quotes, contracts and/or quantity surveyor reports
- Partnership funding: evidence of one third funds secured or raised - not required for feasibility study, conservation plan or specialist report requests
- 2 Letters of support for your project

*Required for some projects depending on the nature of your project*

- Detailed job descriptions for any project related salaries identified in the budget
- Professional independent endorsement of the project, appropriate to the sector (for capital works projects in museums and art galleries and major restoration projects)
- Resource consent approval - where required for capital works projects
- Landownership: evidence of project support from legal owner and proof of ongoing access for general public for capital works projects
- Concept drawings or floor plans - for capital works projects
- Resource consent approval - where required for capital works projects

*Required for large projects (total project cost over \$250,000)*

- A completed feasibility study
- Any specialist or conservation reports, restoration plans or collection policies - check website for requirements

*Required for feasibility study, conservation plan or specialist report requests:*

- A detailed requirements brief

*Required for historical projects*

- Chapter outline
- Main sources

*Required for book publication projects*

- Synopsis of proposed book
- One chapter of draft text or manuscript
- Confirmation of the proposed selling price of the book

*Additional Supporting Documentation*

- Any additional supporting documents you believe provide critical information to support your request

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION
<p>DOC BRaid support letter 2018.pdf</p> <p><b>Evidence of community support and consultation (LEH)</b>                      Added by Sandra Whitelaw at 2:55 PM on 6 August 2018</p>
<p>Braid banded dotterel Kaikoura.pdf</p> <p><b>Evidence of community support and consultation (LEH)</b>                      Added by Sandra Whitelaw at 9:50 AM on 6 August 2018</p>
<p>BRaid accreditation.docx</p> <p><b>Evidence of community support and consultation (LEH)</b></p>

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION
<p>Added by Sandra Whitelaw at 12:44 PM on 4 August 2018</p>
<p>Ashely-Estuary-trapping-from-plan-to-results.pdf  <b>Evidence of community support and consultation (LEH)</b>            Added by Sandra Whitelaw at 12:36 PM on 4 August 2018</p>
<p>BRAid budget 2019-2021.xlsx  <b>Budget (LEH)</b>            Added by Sandra Whitelaw at 6:56 PM on 2 August 2018</p>
<p>IBRaid mplementationplan2019-2021.xlsx  <b>Project plan and timeline (LEH)</b>            Added by Sandra Whitelaw at 6:54 PM on 2 August 2018</p>
<p>BRAID_whitelaw_QUOTE Lotto.doc  <b>Quotes, contracts and/or quantity surveyor reports (LEH)</b>            Added by Sandra Whitelaw at 6:48 PM on 2 August 2018</p>
<p>ARRG BRaidsupport.pdf  <b>Letter of Support (LEH)</b>            Added by Sandra Whitelaw at 6:47 PM on 2 August 2018</p>
<p>ABT braid support letter.pdf  <b>Letter of Support (LEH)</b>            Added by Sandra Whitelaw at 6:47 PM on 2 August 2018</p>
<p>Braid-financial-position-june2018.pdf  <b>Partnership Funding: Evidence of funds secured or raised (LEH)</b>            Added by Sandra Whitelaw at 6:45 PM on 2 August 2018</p>
<p>ECan funding BRaid 2018.docx  <b>Partnership Funding: Evidence of funds secured or raised (LEH)</b>            Added by Sandra Whitelaw at 6:44 PM on 2 August 2018</p>
<p>ECan BRaid letter of support 2018.docx  <b>Evidence of local, regional, or district council support (LEH)</b>            Added by Sandra Whitelaw at 6:43 PM on 2 August 2018</p>
<p>TKOT Letter of Support BRaid Funding Application July 2018 Te Kohaka o T...  <b>Letter of Support (LEH)</b>            Added by Sandra Whitelaw at 6:41 PM on 2 August 2018</p>

SUPPORTING DOCUMENTATION
<p>BRaid_bankdepositslip.pdf</p> <p><b>Supporting Document; additional</b> Added by Sandra Whitelaw at 5:31 PM on 29 July 2018</p>
<p>FB BRaid support July 2018.docx</p> <p><b>Letter of Support (LEH)</b> Added by Sandra Whitelaw at 5:29 PM on 29 July 2018</p>
<p>BRaid HS Plan.docx</p> <p><b>Supporting Document; additional</b> Added by Sandra Whitelaw at 11:33 AM on 29 July 2018</p>
<p>Braid-financial-position-june2018.pdf</p> <p><b>Financial Statement: year-to-date or performance (LEH)</b> Added by Sandra Whitelaw at 9:54 AM on 29 July 2018</p>
<p>Coleridge-BRaid-support-July2018.pdf</p> <p><b>Letter of Support (LEH)</b> Added by Sandra Whitelaw at 9:54 AM on 29 July 2018</p>
<p>The Flock teaching resources.pdf</p> <p><b>Supporting Document; additional</b> Added by Sandra Whitelaw at 9:37 AM on 29 July 2018</p>
<p>DOC_future-targets braided-rivers.pdf</p> <p><b>Specialist or conservation reports, restoration plans or collection policies (LEH)</b> Added by Sandra Whitelaw at 2:59 PM on 28 July 2018</p>
<p>Karikaas BRaid support letter July 2018.pdf</p> <p><b>Letter of Support (LEH)</b> Added by Sandra Whitelaw at 2:15 PM on 28 July 2018</p>
<p>BRaid30Jun2017 Audit report.pdf</p> <p><b>Financial Statement: year-to-date or performance (LEH)</b> Added by Sandra Whitelaw at 2:04 PM on 28 July 2018</p>

## NOTIFICATION OF DECISION

**Decision:** Partially Fund

**Grant Awarded:** \$30,000.00

**Decision Reason:** It was noted that the request aligned with Lottery Grants Board outcomes and the Lottery Environment and Heritage Committee's natural heritage priorities and funding criteria. However, the Committee is not always able to provide funding to the level requested and on this occasion, has chosen to only make a

contribution to the outcomes of the project. Though the Committee acknowledges BRaid's contribution, and the importance of the Manager's role, in raising community awareness of braided river habitats and the vulnerable birds who nest there, it funds one-off projects. The Committee recommends BRaid secure alternative sources of ongoing funding before the expiry of this grant's timeframe. The Committee thanks you for applying to the Lottery Environment and Heritage Committee and wishes you every success with the project.

**Date notified:** 6 November 2018

## AGREEMENT DETAILS

**Grant Offered On:** 6/11/2018

### GRANT AGREEMENT



**Lottery Grants Board**

Te Puna Tahua

LOTTO FUNDS FOR YOUR COMMUNITY

The New Zealand Lottery Grants Board, acting by and through the Department of Internal Affairs, has agreed to contribute a Lottery Environment and Heritage grant of **\$30,000.00** to Braid Incorporated to support you to achieve the outcomes described in your request.

Each party warrants it has the authority to enter into this agreement and that all the information provided is true, complete and accurate.

Each party warrants it will fulfil its obligations as set out in this agreement.

Each party warrants it will attempt to resolve any dispute or difference amicably and in good faith, through dialogue in the first instance, or another form of dispute resolution.

The term of this agreement is from **1 November 2018** to **26 November 2021**

The Department of Internal Affairs will pay the grant as set out in the payments schedule in this agreement.

1. We confirm that the grant is still required and that the grant will be used for the agreed purpose.
2. We agree to keep financial records that demonstrate how the grant was spent for seven years after the end of the agreement term.
3. We agree to participate in a timely manner in any monitoring activities the Department of Internal Affairs, acting on behalf of New Zealand Lottery Grants Board, may undertake related to this grant, its purpose and its outcomes.
4. We agree to provide reports by the dates specified in the report schedule to this agreement, including reporting on how the grant was spent in relation to the budget presented in our request.
5. We understand that the Department of Internal Affairs, acting on behalf of the New Zealand Lottery Grants Board, is subject to the Official Information Act and may be required to release information unless there is good reason to withhold the information.
6. We understand that we may request a variation to the purpose, term or conditions of this agreement, and

the Department of Internal Affairs, acting on behalf of the New Zealand Lottery Grants Board, may approve a variation agreement.

7. If the grant is not used for the agreed purpose, the Department of Internal Affairs will recover the grant in part or in full on behalf of the New Zealand Lottery Grants Board and may advise other government agencies and funders of this issue.

8. We understand and agree that the Department of Internal Affairs may, acting on behalf of the New Zealand Lottery Grants Board, terminate this agreement immediately if we:

- a. fail to fulfil any obligations set out in this agreement or its schedules, and fail to respond to, address or remedy any issues identified by the Department of Internal Affairs within 30 days of electronic notice being sent, or
- b. provide or have provided misleading or inaccurate information for this agreement or the request, or
- c. become insolvent, bankrupt or subject to any form of insolvency action or administration.

9. We understand and agree that if this agreement expires or is terminated, Braid Incorporated must continue to fulfil its obligations and comply with any reporting or audit requirements.

10. We agree that the Department of Internal Affairs, acting on behalf of the New Zealand Lottery Grants Board, has our approval to publish that the grant has been made to Braid Incorporated for this purpose.

11. We agree that Lotto New Zealand may publish our organisation's name, the grant and grant purpose on the Lotto New Zealand website.

## Reporting and Payments

- We agree to provide the following reports:

REPORTING SCHEDULE	
Report Due By	Report Type
1/5/2020	Ara Poutama Milestone 1 Report
26/11/2021	Otinga Kōrero Final Results Report

## Ara Poutama Milestone Reports

- We agree to provide a report on progress to date, including information on how the project is tracking against the budget, timeline and project plan submitted with this request. This report is due on or before the date listed in the reporting schedule above.

- The Department of Internal Affairs will pay the grant as set out in the following payment table, within 15 working days of satisfactory completion of this agreement or any reporting requirements listed above.

PAYMENTS SCHEDULE	
Scheduled Date	Payment
30/11/2018	\$30,000.00

- Payment of any grant instalments will not be made until any associated reporting requirements are met in full, unless a variation to this requirement is negotiated and specified in an online variation to this agreement by both parties.

**OTINGA KŌRERO/RESULTS REPORT SAMPLE**

At the end of the term of this agreement, you will need to complete a results report that includes the following questions and requirements.

What happened?	<input type="text"/>
Who participated or benefited?	<input type="text"/>
What was achieved?	<input type="text"/>
What other community benefits or outcomes were achieved?	<input type="text"/>
Is there anything else you would like to tell us?	<input type="text"/>
Please upload an income and expenditure statement which reports what happened against the budget presented with your request. The Lottery Grants Board grant and any other grants or income should be clearly stated in the summary, along with all the expenses incurred.	
How did you use the grant?	<input type="text"/>
Did you use the entire grant?	<input type="text"/>
How much is your refund?	<input type="text"/>
Is there anything else we need to know about the financial statement in relation to the budget?	<input type="text"/>

**AGREEMENT ACCEPTANCE**

I, Sandra Whitelaw, confirm that we understand and accept the terms and conditions for this grant agreement.

**Agreement Selection:**

Signatories	Acceptance
Sandra Whitelaw	Sandra Whitelaw
Nick Ledgard	Nick Ledgard

**LOTTO NZ PUBLICITY**

Lotto NZ would like to contact your organisation about participating in Lotto NZ publicity. This is to provide consenting grant recipients the opportunity to promote their community based project, social service or activity through Lotto NZ’s advertising, and resources for your organisation. It is also to increase public awareness that playing Lotto raises money for communities.

As the person identified as Signature 1 in the Organisation Profile, and authorised to accept the grant agreement, **do you give permission for the Lottery Grants Board to give Lotto NZ your name and email address, for potential publicity purposes?**

The information provided to Lotto NZ will only be used to contact you about participating in their publicity. Agreeing to participate in Lotto NZ’s publicity does not affect any terms and conditions of the grant agreement.

I, Sandra Whitelaw give permission for my name Sandra Whitelaw, my phone number 0226378931 and the following email address, [manager@braid.org.nz](mailto:manager@braid.org.nz) to be provided to Lotto NZ.

**Lotto NZ Publicity Information  
Permission:**