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Re. Ruamahanga River terrace and Coprosma wallii and Pittosporum obcordatum site, visit 22.10.1997.

Last year we failed to find Coprosma wallii at Mr Smailes Ruamahanga River property, a site where it had been found in the late 1960's/early 1970's. I had another look for this rare shrub, especially at the outer edges of the river terrace - but without luck. It may be that C. wallii was found across the road, on the hill slope (maori land - see file note: forestru.doc, 221097). I also wanted to know how many Coprosma virescens shrubs are present on the Smailes property and if the Pittosporum obcordatum is doing OK. I counted 11 Coprosma virescens (including two plants of only .5 m tall). The P. obcordatum was in bud and in good health. Still unfenced.

trees and shrubs (recorded on 22.10.1997)

Alectryon excelsus

Carmichaelia australis

Coprosma crassifolia

C. propinqua C. rhamnoides

C. virescens

Cordyline australis Dacrycarpus dacrydoides

Ileostylus micranthus

Korthalsella lindsayi

Lophomyrtus obcordata Myoporum laetum M. divaricata Nestegis lanceolata N. montana

Pennantia corymbosa Pittosporum obcordatum

Podocarpus totara Pseudopanax crassifolius

Sophora microphylla Streblus heterophyllus titoki

native broom

cabbage tree kahikatea

mistletoe (on C. crassifolia)

(on C. crassifolia, C. virescens and M.

divaricata) rohutu

ngaio

weeping matipo white maire

oro-oro

kaikomako

totara

lancewood

kowhai

small-leaved milk tree

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