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1	First Tranche Regions scoping: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Taranaki • Tasman/ Nelson 	11 – and there may have been 2 additional FTE on the project throughout its life.	20/10/2023 Advice from First Tranche Regions team went to Nadeine Dommissie on 19/10/2023. Calls to participating regions were made on the following day (20/10/2023) to communicate engagement pause or stop. Administration to close out the project continued through to February 2024.	Nadeine Dommissie – Deputy Secretary, Policy Implementation and Delivery	Taranaki – funding for this project enabled a regionally led approach for councils and iwi to consider their readiness to be considered as a first tranche region and lead out implementation of the NBEA and SPA. Work was paused and then formally stopped given repeal of the NBEA and SPA. Nelson-Tasman – funding for this project enabled a regionally led approach for councils and iwi to consider their readiness to be considered as a first tranche region and lead out implementation of the NBEA and SPA. This project was completed as per the Deed of Contribution, and a closing letter sent to the CE of Tasman District Council on 10/01/2024. The scoping project was then formally terminated and unspent funds returned.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Document 1 • Document 1.1

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2	Greater Wellington	11	20/10/2023 Advice from First Tranche Regions team went to Nadeine Dommissie on 19/10/2023. Calls to participating regions were made on the following day (20/10/2023) to communicate engagement pause or stop	Nadeine Dommissie – Deputy Secretary, Policy Implementation and Delivery	Greater Wellington – discussion with Greater Wellington RC was in the very early stages with the intent being to test their current regional spatial strategy and Future Development Strategy against the SPA requirements to provide technical learnings for other regions embarking on the same. Discussions did not progress further following repeal of the NBEA and SPA. No funding was issued.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Document 1 • Document 1.1
3	Regional Readiness	11	20/10/2023	Nadeine Dommissie – Deputy Secretary, Policy Implementation and Delivery	<p>Regional Readiness Project (remaining regions) was intended as a desktop exercise for regions to assess their readiness to commence in the SPA/NBEA systems starting with spatial planning. This was being scoped in collaboration with the Local Government Implementation Group Project Hub.</p> <p>Work on this was paused and stopped following repeal of the NBEA and SPA.</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Document 1 • Document 1.1

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4	RM Implementation work programme	Regional Planning Committees: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 x 0.5 FTE were seconded from DIA • 4.8 FTE were MfE staff • 2 consultants National Māori Entity <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 4 FTE were MfE staff • 3 hourly-rate contractors (approx. 1.5 FTE) Freshwater Working Group <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2 FTE were MfE staff 	21/03/2024	Nadeine Dommissie – Deputy Secretary, Policy Implementation and Delivery	The RM Implementation work programme was made up of the following three teams: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Regional Planning Committees 2. National Māori Entity 3. Freshwater Working Group Following NBEA/SPA repeal, all work on these programmes stopped.	N/A

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5	Work on the contaminated land provisions/components of the RM reform, including planning for NPF1 and NPF2.	1*	No formal direction to stop – this programme was no longer required when the reform work programme ended.	No formal direction to stop – this programme was no longer required when the reform work programme ended.	<p>All planning for National Planning Framework (NPF) 1 and NPF 2 (including contaminated land provisions) was stopped due to changing priorities of the incoming government.</p> <p>Work directly related to the NBA and SPA was stopped following Government's announcement of 100 day plan.</p>	N/A
6	NPF Design and Development of the NPF Framework (including the Board of Inquiry)	29	30/10/2024	Sam Buckle – Deputy Secretary, Waste and Resource Efficiency	All of the NPF work was stopped due changing priorities of the new incoming government. This was done in a staged manner as we went through a period of interim NPF work while we waited on final government decisions, and then transitioned into 100-day work.	N/A
7	NBA & SPA Regulations Prototype plan	11	December 2023	Nadeine Dommissie – Deputy Secretary, Policy Implementation and Delivery	NBEA & SPA regulations work stopped when the Government repealed them in December 2023.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Document 7

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8	Emissions Trading Scheme (ETS) Review	5	06/12/2023	Hon Simon Watts, Minister of Climate Change	<p>Stopping the ETS Review is a manifesto statement for the new government.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Stopped after completion of phase 1 at the end of 2023. Phase 2 was not started. Published summary of submissions <p>Further public submissions on price will be handled via ERP2</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Document 8
9	NPS-Indigenous Biodiversity implementation investment plan engagement / funding programme	9	14/10/2023	Nadeine Dommissé – Deputy Secretary, Policy Implementation and Delivery	<p>\$17.4m in B22 contingency was drawn down in August 2023 to invest in the implementation of NPS-Indigenous Biodiversity. An investment plan had been approved in-principle by Minister Shaw, pending stakeholder feedback on the investment plan (BRF-3552). Targeted engagement was planned for November-December to test the investment plan with a subset of stakeholders/partners. Implementation pilots on hold. Māori Implementation plan on hold. Both likely to require reshaping following ministerial direction.</p>	N/A

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10	Future resilience planning: Tairāwhiti and Hawke's Bay Spatial planning (RGF) technical stocktake	11	20/10/2023 Advice from First Tranche Regions team went to Nadeine Dommissie on 19/10/2023. Calls to participating regions were made on the following day (20/10/2023) to communicate engagement pause or stop	Nadeine Dommissie – Deputy Secretary, Policy Implementation and Delivery	Tairāwhiti and Hawkes Bay – discussions were in early stages only with both regions about being supported to undertake a resilience focused spatial planning exercise. Discussions on this were paused in October 2023 ahead of repeal of the NBEA and SPA. No agreement was formalised, or funding issued.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Document 1
11	RM Transition and Implementation (Transition pathways and Practice Capability and Training)	9	Work directly related to NBA & SPA was stopped following Government's announcement of 100 day plan. Other work was transferred to new reform bills (RM1 & RM2).	Nadeine Dommissie – Deputy Secretary, Policy Implementation and Delivery	Development of training and guidance to support system capability directly related to the NBEA and SPA resource management reform was stopped. Work relevant to new reform bills continues.	N/A

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12	Freshwater Implementation	14	14/10/2023	Nadeine Dommissé – Deputy Secretary, Policy Implementation and Delivery	The Government has committed to reviewing and replacing the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management 2020 (NPS-FM) and extended the deadline for councils to notify freshwater plans and policy statements by three years until the end of 2027. Implementation support for the current NPS-FM has been stopped while the review takes place.	N/A
13	Draft Action & Investment Plan drafting and consultation (A 3-5yr plan of actions tied to the Waste Strategy).	2	31/03/2024	Sam Buckle – Deputy Secretary, Waste and Resource Efficiency	Work paused in late 2023, then stopped in March 2024 when fixed-term contracts ended. Government will not proceed with Action and Investment Plan, new investment priorities have been agreed by Cabinet in May and made public. Regional infrastructure planning exercise in the cyclone affected regions was completed in June 2024 and the reports handed over to regional stakeholders.	N/A

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14	Tranche 3 plastic phase outs drafting regulation	1*	May 2024	Shaun Lewis – General Manager, Waste Systems	<p>The Minister for the Environment intends to seek a decision from Cabinet on the third tranche (all PVC and polystyrene food and beverage packaging) of single-use and hard-to-recycle plastic phase-outs. If progressed, the regulations would likely not take effect any sooner than mid-2026 (not mid-2025 as originally signalled in the 2021 Cabinet decision).</p> <p>This provides a longer timeframe for businesses to change their manufacturing lines and processes, in line with feedback from key affected stakeholders.</p>	N/A
15	Audit and Investigations Case Management System or AICMS which is a CME case management system	1*	October 2023	Sam Buckle – Deputy Secretary, Waste and Resource Efficiency	<p>Due to the uncertainty and timing of the move to the EPA for Waste Operations. We are also wanting to exercise fiscal responsibility in optimising IT spend by avoiding duplicate investment in systems which may change with our future move to the EPA.</p>	N/A

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16	Kermadec/ Rangitāhua Ocean Sanctuary Bill	1*	28/03/2023	Decision made following ministerial consultation	Decision not to proceed with the Bill	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Document 3 • Document 3.1
17	Upholding Treaty settlements and other arrangements in RM reform	33	December 2023	Nadeine Domnisse – Deputy Secretary, Policy Implementation and Delivery	<p>The programme of work that MFE was undertaking alongside Post Settlement Governance Entities to uphold Treaty settlements and other legislative arrangements in the context of the Natural and Built Environment Act and Spatial Planning Act was stopped to align with the incoming Government's priorities and the repeal of these Acts.</p> <p>Work is now underway to ensure Treaty settlements and other legislative arrangements are upheld in the Government's current resource management reforms.</p>	N/A
18	RM Digital & Data enablement project	1*	<p>All work paused 25 Oct 2023. Email sent to Steering and Advisory Group</p> <p>Formally stopped 16 July 2024</p>	Nadeine Domnisse – Deputy Secretary, Policy Implementation and Delivery	Programme officially stopped 16 July (Q1 planning). Digital and data requirements of the RM System to be scoped and commissioned under new operating model functions.	N/A

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19	Kaiwhakare-Regional Navigators	8	20/03/2024	Anne Haira – Partnerships and Public Affairs	New programme from October 2022 establishing regional relationships/ presence with iwi Māori and local government through Kaiwhakare/ navigators in Te Tai Tokerau, Te Tau Ihu, Tairāwhiti, Taranaki, Bay of Plenty, Hawkes Bay and Wellington. Support of wider MfE but particular focus on Freshwater and RM Reforms in first instance. Pilot discontinued from 30 June 2024.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Document 4 • Document 4.1

*These programmes had a staff member working on them, but the role was less than 1 FTE.