Appendix B - Comparative table of possum control control programmes

Organisation / Council	Delivery approach	Control methods	Total Programme area (ha)	FTE Required to support programme	Frequency of control	Aerial control (cost per ha)	Ground control - initial knockdown (average cost per ha per year)	Ground control - ongoing control (annual control costs per ha)	Funding mechanisms
Waikato Regional Council	100% Contractor	Contractors carrying out ● Trapping network ● Bait station networks ● Ground VTA - Feratox	517,219	4-6	Ground control completed every 3 years Aerial control completed on 5-6 year rotation	$50-$70	$35 - $60	$7 - $11.7 (averaged over 3 year cycle)	A combination of targeted rates and general rate
Horizons Regional Council	Mixed contractor/ council staff approach with a ratio of 67:33	Contractors / In-house mix ● Bait station networks ● Ground VTA - Feratox	1,476,691	17	Every 2 years	-	$42	$10 - $15 (averaged over 2 year cycle)	A combination of targeted rates for properties greater than 4 hectares, and general rate
Taranaki Regional Council	Landowner/ occupier approach	Contractors conduct initial control before landowners take over. ● Bait station networks ● Ground VTA	232,000	4-6	One off	-	N/A	-	General rate
Environment Southland	Contractor/ Landowner/ occupier approach with a ratio of 50:50	Contractors conduct initial control before landowners take over. ● Bait station networks using Cyanide	430,000	2-4	One off	-	$13	-	Targeted biosecurity rate on all land over 4ha
Hawkes Bay Regional Council	Landowner/ occupier approach	Contractors conduct initial control before landowners take over. ● Bait station networks ● Ground VTA	747,750	2-4	One off	-	-	N/A	General rate
OSPRI	100% Contractor	Contractors carrying out ● Trapping network ● Ground VTA - Feratox ● Dogs and guns	1,261,524	-	Every year for ground control Aerial control completed on 4 year rotation	$35 - $40	-	$14 - $20	-
PFD Kilmog/Karitāne	Community-led / Contractor	Intensive AT220 trapping network ● 1 trap per 25 hectares (8 hectares of habitat)	6240	-	Every year	-	$38.5	$14.5	-