

When deer must die: large uncertainty surrounds changes in deer abundance achieved by helicopter- and ground-based hunting in New Zealand forests

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Table S1. Details of the aerial 1080 poison operations conducted to kill brushtail possums in the Waihaha and Waiotaka study sites

Deer repellent was added to baits used in the non-treatment areas but not to baits used in the treatment areas

| | Waihaha | Waiotaka |
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| Treatment area | | |
| First non-toxic pre-feed | Carrot bait (2 kg ha ⁻¹) | 6-g cereal bait (2 kg ha ⁻¹) |
| Second non-toxic pre-feed | Carrot bait (2 kg ha ⁻¹) | Not applicable |
| Toxic | Carrot bait (5 kg ha ⁻¹ with 0.08% 1080) | 12-g cereal bait (2 kg ha ⁻¹ with 0.15% 1080) |
| Start date for toxic baits | 17 May 2005 | 10 June 2006 |
| Non-Treatment area | | |
| First non-toxic pre-feed | Carrot bait (2 kg ha ⁻¹) | Carrot bait (3 kg ha ⁻¹) |
| Second non-toxic pre-feed | Carrot bait (2 kg ha ⁻¹) | Not applicable |
| Toxic + deer repellent | Carrot bait (5 kg ha ⁻¹ with 0.08% 1080) | Carrot bait (5 kg ha ⁻¹ with 0.08% 1080) |
| Start date for toxic baits | 17 May 2005 | 10 June 2006 |