

# Internship Report

**Name:** Michael Kinney

**Country:** United States of America

**University:** University of California, Berkeley

**Major subject:** BA. Integrative Biology

**Software Utilized:** Photoshop, Word, Fireworks MX, Adobe Premier, Adobe Premier Pro 2, SoundBlaster Audio Converter.

**Internship was under:** ERIS

**Internship title:** Conservation Ecologist

**Secondary Internship was under:** Bush Telly

**Title of secondary internship:** Conservation Filmmaker

**Duration of internship/s:** Feb 2006 - May 2006

## List of projects and duties:

- Improving a monitoring toolbox to support community lead ecological restoration projects by the creation of assessment guides to help initialize monitoring projects.
  - Guides included: Vegetation Plot Guide
  - Bird Count Guide
  - Stream Assessment Guide
  - Quick Stream Assessment Scoring Sheet
- Creation of figures to supplement guides for use on EcoTrack on the NZERN website.
- Creation of standard internship report form.
- Directing/Filming/Video and sound editing on the Travis Wetland natural history film project, "Travis Wetland: The making of a natural heritage park"
- Still photography for Travis project.
- Field video/sound capturing.
- Wildlife and plant identification for use in conservation film project as a means to promote community awareness.
- Technical support on the Travis Film project: including the standardization of both PAL and NTSC formatted video/audio in order to integrate them into one PAL formatted project. Integration of a wide variety of audio formats into standard Premier project using SoundBlaster Audio Converter
- Research into history of Travis Wetland, both farming and Maori uses before restoration project was undertaken and area was made into a natural heritage park.
- Started archive of Travis Wetland video footage and audio interviews for future use in Bush Telly conservation films.
- Collected interviews from members of Travis Wetland Trust.
- Presented finished Travis Wetland film at Travis Wetland Trust meeting to both trust members and members of NZERN.
- Exported Premier project as both a media file and as an AAF file for future use in Avid Liquid or other editing software.