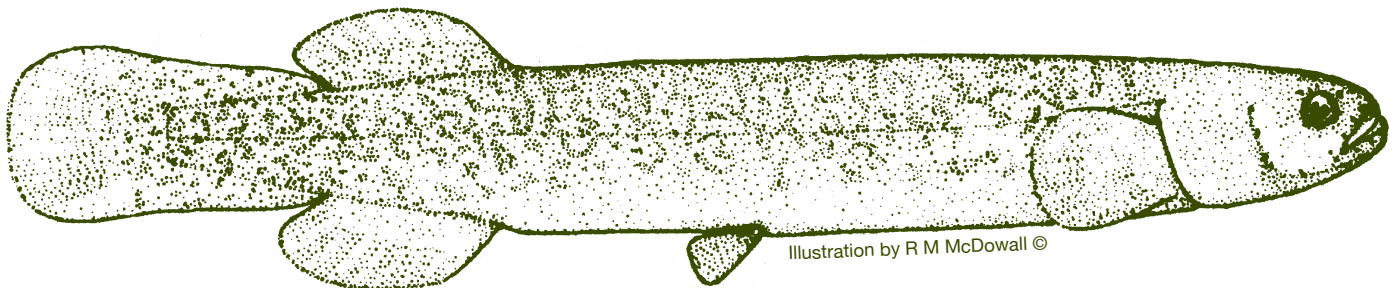


Environment Canterbury is pleased to offer, FREE to Canterbury schools:

Waitaha Wai

Canterbury mudfish/kowaro - an environmental resource for schools



Canterbury mudfish/kowaro are endemic to New Zealand and the species is our second-most endangered native fish.

The Canterbury mudfish/kowaro is a very special fish. They do best in high quality streams and wetlands, but can survive out of water in moist conditions. When stream flows are low mudfish will leave the water to find a moist hiding place for up to two months.

Along with other organisations and individuals, Environment Canterbury is working to raise awareness of Canterbury mudfish and promote the protection of their habitat. In October 2007, a Mudfish Awareness Week will feature activities to encourage schools and the community to take action locally to help mudfish.

Waitaha wai: Canterbury mudfish/kowaro is a free 20-page booklet with information and activities to enable you and your students to study the Canterbury mudfish/kowaro and plan a project to help improve its habitat in your area.

All Canterbury schools can order up to two copies, free of charge. If your school is in an area near to a mudfish population, you can also take part in a facilitated programme with environmental educators from Environment Canterbury and the Department of Conservation. (You will need to book early for this as places are limited.)

We look forward to hearing from you.

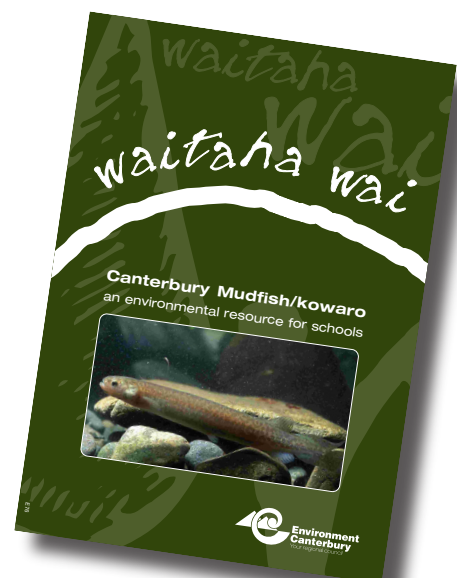
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- YES to resource booklet Number of copies
 YES we are interested in the facilitated programme