

Subject: [gbird] GBIRd Updates

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Hello GBIRd Colleagues,

Here are some important updates for the Program:

- I would like to welcome Dan Tomkins to the GBIRd Partnership as representative of Landcare Research (LCR) of New Zealand. Last week, the organizational representatives from GBIRd met with Dan to explore common goals and potential synergies. We all agreed to it would be mutually beneficial to work together, in light of ongoing efforts. The group is moving forward with including LCR into the GBIRd partnership – I will add Dan to the listserv and work with him on getting LCR's contributions to the effort in the MoU. I will also distribute the latest MoU version ASAP.
- The listserv is a work in progress - I found three posts (Toni's, Karl's, & mine) that were waiting for my approval as listserv administrator. I am trying to alleviate any approval requirement. Please keep using it and we WILL work out the kinks.
- I would also like to introduce a new volunteer to the GBIRd effort, Jake Hyman. With a freshly minted Bachelor of Science degree in Biology from the Univ of Oregon, Jake comes to us with experience in Marine Biology, structured Environmental Leadership training, and even some microbial genetics! Jake will be helping with GBIRd Program support (meeting coordination, data/file mgmt., etc.) as the effort continues to expand!

Your Friendly Program Coordinator,
Royden