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# TE PUTORINO O PĀHAUWERA

NGĀTI PĀHAUWERA DEVELOPMENT GROUP NEWSLETTER

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# KORERO From the CEO ROBIN HAPE

#### Kia ora e te whānau,

Things are changing at pace while we get this latest edition of Te Putorino out to you. We have a few articles on NPDT activities and some updates from whanau members to take your mind off things and keep you updated.

We are in unprecedented times with many unknowns with this coronavirus situation as we move between different levels. There is a lot of information out there and we want to reiterate the messages from the Ministry of Health.

- Cough or sneeze into your elbow or by covering your mouth and nose with tissues.
- Put used tissues in the bin or a bag immediately.
- Wash your hands with soap and water often (for at least 20 seconds).
- Try to avoid close contact with people who are unwell.

# **KEI ROTO:**

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- Don't touch your eyes, nose or mouth if your hands are not clean.
- Avoid personal contact, such as kissing, sharing cups or food with sick people.
- Clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces and objects, such as doorknobs.

Call Healthline on 0800 358 5453 if you have any symptoms and have been recently been overseas or have been in close contact with someone confirmed with COVID-19.

Look after yourselves and your whānau.

In terms of Ngāti Pāhauwera mahi during the lockdown and to support our whanau; We are working as part of the Tihei Mauri Ora Hub network which is an "all of community" response targeted for Māori who are likely to be most at risk, our whānau pounamu.

Those that have access to the internet and up to date information, enough kai etc. can continue protecting themselves and their whanau. The hubs purpose is to support those that need assistance, may not be able to care for themselves and are most vulnerable for whatever reason. In the response against Covid-19 Ngāti Pāhauwera Development Trust is active across Te Wairoa to Heretaunga. Have a look at the graphics attached to see the hub structure, emergency response centre and find more about your area and who is involved. We have Pāhauwera staff and volunteers, whanau and whanaunga working hard in the Wairoa, Mohaka, Ahuriri and Heretaunga Hubs. Hailing from a wide range of organisations, iwi, marae and individuals, we cannot thank all of those people enough for leaving their own whanau

### TIHEI MAURI ORA EMERGENCY RESPONSE CENTRE

Providing support to our 'Whānau Pounamu' in our communities (Whānau Pounamu are our most vulnerable Māori & Pasifika families)



Tihei Mauri Ora Emergency Response Centre

Updated 3rd April



bubble to do this important mahi whether it is as a part of the Trust or off their own back.

In terms of the Trust itself, our staff are working from home if they are able, the community support team, farms and orchard are considered essential and mahi there continues.

A pānui did go out about Manaaki Grants for which announcements have been delayed, and we will advise as soon as possible. Trustee and Company meetings continue and we are working hard behind the scenes to determine what different levels mean for the different areas that we work in and how we can support those in need in the most effective way. In these uncertain times, do look after yourselves

and your whanau and we will continue to keep you updated.

Nga mihi,

Robin Hape CEO NPDT

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# **UPDATE FROM THE CHAIRMAN** *Regarding COVID-19*

**TORO WAAKA** 

#### Kia Kaha, Kia Manawanui

Like others, the trust will all be in lockdown and subject to enforcement and compliance measures. Our offices will be closed and office staff will operate remotely during the lockdown to keep business going under the circumstances.

Level 4 means only essential services will be available following the announcements. Members can still make contact via message on the telephone network and emails. The farms/ orchards etc. will continue to operate in isolation but the trust administration will be operating remotely until the pandemic restrictions are lifted.

We must rely on the health authorities to assist us work through what will be a testing period. Our own resilience will also be tested as we isolate and attempt to live our lives as normally as we can. We anticipate our hauora/ whānau ora network to be vigilant in supporting vulnerable areas of our community but if there are gaps let the agencies know and/ or we can let the agencies know as well.



In terms of access to information there is the COVID – 19 <u>website</u> with a link to the pandemic levels and the safety information. To visit the site search 'MOH - COVID 19' or click <u>here.</u>

#### Our message to members is to ensure you are all safe in hygiene practice and comply with isolation requirements.

Isolation measures are to contain the transfer so once the transfer is contained, the threat areas identified and treatment delivered we can resume normal life.

For our whānau members who are vulnerable please check on them as part of own manaakitanga. If there are concerns about any whānau member then contact the authorities for assistance. Where practical the trust will continue to work with the Government agencies to see how we can develop complementary support services for whānau but events are unfolding at an unprecedented rate.

Nga mihi Toro Waaka, Chairman



# **CHAIRMAN'S REPORT** *Kōrero from NPDT Chairman*

TORO WAAKA

Tumanako, Whakapono, Ko te mea nui ko te Aroha.

In promoting Te Oranganui o Ngāti Pāhauwera it is pleasing to see people in our midst that recognise we all have obligations to each other and our wider community and we can all engage in acts of kindness that contribute to our collective wellbeing.

This may be providing a koha in the form of a wild pig at tangihanga or dropping off a kahawai or some kina at the kainga of a kuia or koroua who can no longer dive or access Kaimoana. We are fortunate to have leaders in our community that manage our Marae, facilitate events like fishing competitions, pig hunting or sporting events. These events provide opportunities to involve whānau in positive activities and maintains the active culture to enable manaakitanga to assist whānau in need. We should be proud we still have those who maintain the value of aroha ki te tangata, passed down by our tipuna.

Because hau kainga are reliant on hunter gatherer activities to supplement their incomes the Ngāti Pāhauwera Development Trust has been in negotiations with Fisheries officials for over five years and recently had success in getting Ngāti Pāhauwera Tangata Kaitiaki recognised by the Ministry of Primary Industries (Fisheries New Zealand) for the full extent of the rohe of Kahu o te Rangi before colonisation. This means the kaitiaki will be able to issue kaimoana permits down to Ahuriri. The intended kaitiaki will be Tiwana Aranui and Henare Waihape for the area south of Waikari. We have had Kaitiaki for the area north of the Waikari for some time. They are El Maadi Te Aho, Tom Heta and Kuki Green.

Following up on that I attended the Waitangi Iwi Chairs Forum and was able to get the support of the Iwi Chairs for a review of the Customary Fisheries regulations and the support to set up a roopu of Iwi reps to progress our Iwi interests in the Marine and coastal area. Our whānaunga Willie Te Aho who represented Whānau a Apanui at the forum seconded the motions. That's a good example of our effective Ngāti Pāhauwera networks. Our Tipuna Te Huki was an expert at growing relationships and networks.

Ngāti Pāhauwera is fortunate in that we have been able to grow our networks and be assisted in our journey by people with a social conscience and expertise to address the inequities of our community that arise out of Colonial exploitation.

We are privileged in having people like Donna Hall, Sian Elias, David Hurley, Ann La Porta, and others who represented Ngāti Pāhauwera in our early Mohaka River Claim process even though we had no money but promised to pay them if we got compensation from the Crown. One example of the importance of networks and relationships was having in our legal team Ann La Porta the wife of the USA Ambassador to New Zealand who embarrassed the NZ Prime Minister of the time at a dinner in Washington on

the matter of the New Zealand Government not paying its bills to Ngāti Pāhauwera. Two weeks later we got a cheque for half of what was owed of our cost of Ngāti Pāhauwera engaging in the Mohaka Treaty Claims process.

The aroha for our people, our whenua and our taonga has been one of the driving forces along with our strong spiritual beliefs that has provided us with the hope and faith to persevere in our daily challenges.

It is unfortunate that some of our people have learnt negative and selfish beliefs that cause harm to themselves, their families and their communities. The upside of this however is that this negative behaviour just as it was learnt it can be unlearnt with the right support and encouragement. Just as the Ngāti Pāhauwera

Development Trust reaches out for help to other Tribes, people with expertise or the Crown for help we all should accept that no one can survive without help from others and you have to reach out for help where you need to.

You will usually find people will be flattered you asked them and will be pleased to help. There will also be lots of opportunities for you to pay back kindness and demonstrate your aroha and support at community, marae activities and whānau functions to make the world a better place. There is a lot of value in the saying of our tipuna:

Tou rourou taku rourou ka ora ai te lwi. Your food basket and my food basket combined will feed the people.

Nga mihi Toro Waaka. Chairman



(Left): Elmaadi Te Aho, Phil Rowden, (Back by sign): Jamie Hutana, Michelle Thompson, (Front kneeling left) Jon-Paul Tremain, Mark Clayton, (Group on right): Eve Tremain, William Tamatea and Marie Moses.

TAIRAWHITI Police Strategy Planning Team met and greeted Ngāti Pāhauwera Development Trust staff at the Wairoa office in December 2019, instigating an impromptu discussion of better communication methods to bridge the gap between the Police and local communities. The team recognised the isolation of much of Ngāti Pāhauwera's community, reaching out to make connections to bridge the gaps across age variances and locations. Phil Rowden said while the NZP have developed strategies to liaise with local communities, it is another level of connection that organisations like NPDT offer that open more doors and opportunities for communication. The outbreak of the Corona virus in New Zealand has caused March's

scheduled meeting to be postponed.



# **COVID – 19** – The Ngāti Pāhauwera hongi a wairua

# Unite against COVID-19

#### Toro mai tou ringa

In former time when our people greeted someone on the other side of a gully or stream they would simply bend their thumb put that to their nose and extend their arm in the direction of the person or people they wanted to recognise.

I saw our Koroua do that to people fishing on the other side of the river. Given the circumstances we don't need to share breath to celebrate our coming together as one, we just need to know it in the wairua. Maybe this needs to become our practice at marae so we no longer need to kiss and hongi but extend our recognition from a safe distance.

In former times we did not kiss our women. The hongi was for both sexes. Kissing women as opposed to hongi came with the sexism of colonisation. Sadly all practices of greeting that engage in contact need to be considered with any pandemic outbreak.

The Spanish Flu wiped out up to 100 milion people including 40% of te Iwi Māori. There were waves of the flu as it adapted and took on new virulent forms.

Like the Corona virus the more at risk were the young and the elderly. You will note that the impact is mainly in the northern Hemisphere as it is their winter. The virus apparently is less effective in areas with higher temperature. It likely means we have to be more vigilant and safety conscious as winter comes?



Only you can put in place practices and preparation to help yourself and your whānau. Our hospitals cannot even deal with everyday current health care needs. Hopefully a innoculation discovery is not far away.

# **KOTEMAORI SCHOOL** – Maara Kai

#### Photo Left to Right:

Cheyden Maxwell, Silina Levuiloa, Shaiya McAnulty, Jordyn McAnulty, Deantaye Putaranui, Ryelee McKie, Alex McKie, Kohatu Sialemisa and Max Putaranui.

#### Kotemāori School Maara Kai, with the support of the Ngāti Pāhauwera Manaaki Committee kindly made a donation towards tools and plants.

The tamariki prepared and grew their maara and got to take home their kai, to share with their whānau. They even made a yummy vegetarian lasagne.

We also had whaea Mana Keefe come to the school and teach our tamariki a new song for our kura that pertains to the Kotemāori school and rohe and how we are connected within the boundary of Ngāti Pāhauwera, even mentioning our own landmarks at and around our kura.

Thank you so much for helping our kura.







# **MOHAKA SCHOOL CUP**

A massive congratulations to all of our winners - Ka pai tamariki!

**Jack Swann** Most Improved Pupil Cup

Jack MacDonald Bee Family Cup

Manaia Joe (Jnr)

Overall

Achievement Cup

**Raupunga Puhia** Bee Family Sheild Sensible & Team Leader

**Miro Tuhi** Bee Family Sheild Sensible & Team Leader

Lara MacDonald (Snr) Overall Achievement Cup

Hinewai Joe Athletics Trophy (Most points gained at Tutira Athletics)

Zoe Clark Citizenship Trophy (Consistently being

available and helpful)

**Tuhi Ranapia** 

Personal Pride Cup

Jack Swann

(Jnr Boys)

Swimming Trophies

(Selected by Swimming

Coach)-Denice Gasson

**Kayne Colquhoun** Margaret Hawkins Cup for Diligence

Hinewai Joe Recipient of Berndale Speech Cup for Southern Cluster Schools Competition

**Desire-Rain Heta** Personal Pride Cup

Lykeisha Culshaw-Kaisa (Snr Girls) Māori Culture Patu

Mohaka Harara Taupunga Opunga (Contribution to School and Community)

**Krucial King-Huata** Year 7 Leaver at Wairoa College (Year 8)

Alexiah Clunie Te Kahika Toe Toe

Rose Culshaw Cup for Diligence

**Azariah Huata** Runner-up of Berndale Speech Cup for Southern Cluster Schools Competition

Freya Morunga

Books In Home Mainfreight

**James Huata** (Snr Boys)

Māori Culture Patu

Lara MacDonald

Maera McDermott Memorial Trophy (Manaakitanga)



#### **Ysatis Perrett**

Mohaka School **Bus Trophy** 

> Manaia Joe (Jnr Girls)

Māori Culture Patu

#### Azariah Huata (Girls)

Swimming Trophies (Selected by Swimming Coach)-Denice Gasson

> **Kingston King** Mohaka Science Trophy

Zoe Clark Attendance Trophy

Māori Culture Patu Tuhi Ranapia (Boys)

Harriet Morunga

# HB FORESTRY AWARDS – Held 29 November2019

# **CONGRATULATIONS TO THE FOLLOWING:**





## **Trevor Sialemisa**

Trevor Sialemisa (pictured right) is son of Richard Sialemisa and receives the DG Glenn Logging Special Recognition Award for Outstanding Contribution to Forestry.

"This is an industry that challenges me, I have had the pleasure of working with people who are amazing and because of that I have two families, my whānau at home and my whānau at work."

## Eddie Te Kahika

Eddie Te Kahika (pictured right) is the recipient of the M W Lissette Receiving the Outstanding Health & Safety Management Award.

His discipline, care and attention has led to a safer working environment which, as well as keeping staff healthy, safe and injury free, has led to many savings for their company and excellent team spirit.

"To ensure you make good safe decisions in your working day, you need to have a fit and healthy mind."





## **Nigel Ross**

Nigel Ross is the winner of the Gair Contracting - Outstanding Innovation Award and Emerging Leader.

Receiving this award at Rayonier Matariki Safe Start breakfast Gaining this qualification means operators are working at the highest level in civil and forestry construction.

"A great year for getting the Outstanding Innovation and Emerging Leader Award. A top effort from every member of the team."

# Fiona Te Kahika

Fiona is a mokopuna of Marlene and Dennis Te Kahika, she was a nominee finalist for her category – The DG Glen Logging Women in Forestry Award.

"Thanks to Dennis for hiring me. King for pushing me to do better in work and Trev for training me, being patient and up-skilling me when needed."

# **PAHAUWERA SUCCESS STORIES** – Awatea Moxon and Dr Te Aro Moxon

Congratulations to Awatea Moxon – A previous recipient of a Manaaki Committee Grant.



Having completed her Bachelor of Science in Neuroscience and Psychology at the University of Otago in 2019 she has been accepted, as one of 12, into the Victoria University Clinical Psychology programme.

To support her studies, Awatea has been awarded two scholarships. The first is the Ngārimu 28th Māori Battalion Memorial Scholarship. This scholarship commemorates the bravery of Te Moana-nui-a-Kiwa Ngārimu and the 28th Māori Battalion who gave their lives in World War II. This scholarship is valued at \$10,000 and it is awarded to three Māori tauira who possess qualities of the 28th Māori battalion and who exhibit academic excellence at tertiary level.

The second is the Post-Graduate Freemason's Scholarship which is also valued at \$10,000 and is awarded to one student who is undertaking post-graduate studies. This scholarship is awarded for services to the community and academic excellence, supporting the best and brightest to contribute to the wellfare of New Zealand citizens.

According to Awatea;

"These awards come with both a sense of pride and of responsibility; to create change for our people. Not only am I equipped to support Ngāi Māori to heal, I am motivated to see Māori health flourish."

Both of these scholarships will be awarded to Awatea in Parliament on two separate occasions, on the 11th of March, 2020 and the 6th of May, 2020.



Dr Te Aro Moxon – A Pāhauwera Paediatrician on the road to Oxford University.



Dr Te Aro Moxon (Ngāti Pāhauwera and Ngāi Tahu) has recently been invited to study a Masters in Global Health Science and Epidemiology at the University of Oxford, UK.

Te Aro is Pāhauwera through his mother, Tureiti Moxon (née Hawkins), from Mōhaka. He is currently working as a paediatric doctor in Darwin, Australia, which has enabled him to complete his paediatric training and learn about Aboriginal health, complementing his passion for Māori health and reducing health inequities in Aotearoa.

Te Aro is proficient in te reo me ōna tikanga, having graduated from Te Panekiretanga o Te Reo in 2010, and Te Matapūnenga in 2013. Te Aro travelled to Raupunga in November last year to help perform the karakia to open the new whare at Te Huki Marae. Earlier that year, he received the Royal Australasian College of Physicians Trainee of the Year award, selected from among 8,000 doctors in training across Australia and New Zealand.

Dr Moxon's studies will commence at Oxford in October this year, and he hopes that building his skills in health research will assist him to develop new initiatives to improve the health of tamariki and whānau in Aotearoa.

# ANNE MATEKINO

Hardworking kuia reaffirms the importance of kaumātua in the community.

Anne Matekino Watson of Ngāti Pāhauwera, Ngāti Kahungunu is a perfect example of a kuia working hard to support whānau in her community.



Teaching tamariki, looking after mokopuna and organising a kaumātua ball in Foxton, Manawatū, over the weekend are just some of the activities keeping her busy.

"It was a first for me. I wanted to give them something, instead of sitting on the marae where they do tangihanga, where they go and visit people and so I thought it would be a good thing to have a kaumatua ball and do it for them...Some of them don't come out at all. It's been a big task; it's been a lot of challenges but we overcame those challenges."

Watson moved to Foxton over 30 years ago.

"The gang problem was high. Our mokopuna were targeted but then I saw it in another light, where I actually taught their children in the kōhanga." Today she is the person to call if anyone needs someone for karakia, christening, or someone to talk to.

"That is just who I am and when you're brought up like that from old people you tend to keep that installed within you. I never grew up with my own age group. I was always amongst elderly so my ways became elderly."

Around 120 kuia and koroua got their kanikani at a special Kaumātua Ball in Foxton. The event was hosted by Te Korowai o Te Awahou Māori Welfare League to honour nannies and koros aged 70 years plus who are still active in their communities.

Watson also has three tamariki and six mokopuna of her own.

"I have three kapa haka granddaughters.





I have a granddaughter that dances in highland dancing. They bring so much inspiration, my mokopunas to me." But she's frightened for the next generation.

"Why am I frightened? It's because there's a big wide world out there and it is full of different technology and it's beautiful technology but some of it is not so good."

"You know the old thing or going to see one another. It's all text message. It's all Facebook. But the biggest thing is going kanohi ki te kanohi," she says.

Her biggest hope for the future for te ao Māori is for mokopuna to know more about where they're from.

"Installing our reo back in our mokopuna, knowing who they are and where they come from. With the love of our kaumatua, mokopuna are sure to strive."



# **PIG HUNTING SEASON** – 2020 Update

#### The Hunting seasons is closed due to Covid 19. All forestry assess will be closed until further notice.

All hunters registered with the Ngāti Pāhauwera Hunting Club Incorporated, please ensure all your details are updated eg. vehicles, WOF, Rego, kiwi aversion certs, gun and driver licences. Contact Michelle at the Wairoa office 06 838 6869. Please have all updated details in before Friday 3rd April.

If there are new hunters wishing to register with Ngāti Pāhauwera Hunting Club Incorporated, contact Tom Heta Chairman on 06 8376 724. You must also be a registered member with the Ngāti Pāhauwera Development Trust.

#### We have a number of members who we do not have updated details for.

There are a variety of reasons for this, it may be date of birth, address, phone, email address, if you have moved or married recently, if you have added to the whānau or if you have lost a loved one.

If you have not received AGM details, Voting Packs, Manaaki Grants information – either you are not registered, or we do not have the correct details. Please go to our website NPDG Registration form: www.ngātipāhauwera.co.nz/rehitatanga/

This mahi is ongoing, we ask all registered members to update their details with us. This information would be very much appreciated. Please email your updated form to: admin@npdt.co.nz or drop it in to one of our offices.

# RANGATAHI TE TAITIMU TRUST – Te Wai Pounamu Hikoi

Attending Te Taitimu Trust Hikoi of Hope run by Zac Makoare and his family from Heretaunga to Te Waipounamu in January 2020 was awesome.

A large group of 100+ rangatahi and adults from all around NZ and Australia, ranging in age from 8 to 18 experiencing the new in a fun, caring environment.

With the support of police mentors present and visiting the Police College and meeting Commissioner of Police Mike Bush was really rewarding. The rangatahi were able to bond and get to know them in a different light and seeing them as being just one of us. Yellow Roopu Police Me<mark>nto</mark>rs



Water safety and diving activities are one of the ways how Te Taitimu Trust engage with their rangatahi – using the water as a vessel.

Learning how to put on a life Jacket, and making sure it fits well and secure. Using a snorkel and how to breathe with it. Getting into the help position and staying safe. This was put into practise during the snorkelling workshop at the Karitane Beach.

A trip to the Otago University meeting Dr Professor Richard in







Archaeology department, gave an insight of what has been discovered throughout NZ.

With the support of Sir Mason Durie opening up possibilities for the rangatahi, giving them direct connection to adults who will support them in their future.

Ngāti Pāhauwera had rangatahi and adults that attended this hikoi, all thoroughly enjoyed themselves. Overall thoughts of the hikoi by one of our rangatahi:

"I had a phenomenal time on the 2020 TTC it opened skills in me that I wasn't able to connect into while I was at home. Coming onto the camp helped me gain confidence, self-love, and gratitude not only to myself but to others. Not only did the camp help support my skills but it also allowed me to see the rest of our beautiful country. Which I know not only for me but for many of the other kids was their first time in the South Island. I not only enjoyed my time with the kids, but I very much so looked up to Matua Zac and his whanau for starting up this Camp which centres ways on how to live, love, and appreciate life as if it was the last day.



Suicide in whānau, Māori people, and Aotearoa is a massive issue in which this camp helps kids plan their life for their next steps, and how they can be positively responsible, loving and Māori leaders for the next generation. By being a part of the camp, it has shown me that our rangatahi have a bright future ahead of themselves, and that they are able to help someone who is feeling suicidal into a happier state of mind and way of living."

#### *"He aha te mea nui o te ao? He tangata, he tangata, he tangata.*

What is the most important thing in the world? It is the people, it is the people, it is the people"

Mauri ora

# **PIHANUI** Beautiful landscapes

PHOTGRAPHS TAKEN IN 2020







# **NEW CEO FOR HAWKE'S BAY DHB** – Keriana Brooking

#### Congratulations to Keriana Brooking who has been appointed the new Chief executive for Hawkes Bay DHB.

Ms Brooking is Ngāti Pāhauwera and Ngāti Kahungunu ki Wairoa descent. She is currently actively involved in supporting the Ministry of Health with the COVID-19 pandemic so she doesn't begin in the role until 5 October. We are very please to be able to panui this out to our members, great news for health in Hawkes Bay and for Pāhauwera. Click <u>here</u> for the full story.



# TAIAO REPORT

### **PUTERE LAKES**

# Water testing has begun on the Putere Lakes.

We are planning on a planting day in June or July 2020 on Lake Rotongaio which is in the worst condition due to being the smallest lake. The date for the planting day will be posted on our facebook page. Funding for planting has been provided by Nga Whenua Rahui and the Biodiversity HB Fund.

### **TE AWAAWA STREAM**

The Te Awaawa stream restoration project continues with the plants we planted last winter having been released (weeds cut around them) to assist them to grow. A smaller area will be planted this year. Planning and implementation continues on tracks, the hut, pou and other infrastructure.

If you have any queries or kōrero please contact Project Manager Michelle Thompson: Michelle.Thompson@npdt.co.nz



View from Tawhirirangi





## **DEPARTMENT OF CONSERVATION**

#### Our team is currently in Te Heru o Tureia cutting tracks.

Under the co-management arrangement with Department of Conservation we have asked that any works done in Te Heru are done with NPDT getting the opportunity to do the work ourselves. This has been going well between DOC and NPDT but operationally with the recent fire ban it has made access and the way that we work a bit more difficult. We have also done some releasing work at Mangawharangi where native trees were planted as part of the River Restoration project.

### **MOHAKA PLAN CHANGE**

The Mohaka Plan Change is underway with NPDT intending to talk to our members about their aspirations for the Mohaka River Catchment and water use.

Our understanding is that the water quality is on a downward trend for most indicators (nitrogen, bacteria, phosphorous, clarity) in the upper catchment around Taharua which of course affects everything downstream.

You can check the water quality of the Mohaka by visiting: www.lawa.org.nz or click here.

# NGĀTI PĀHAUWERA TAKUTAI MOANA:

# KA WHAWHAI TONU MĀTOU WE CONTINUE TO FIGHT!



Over 40 Pāhauwera kaumatua and members gave new evidence in 2013-2014 for this application.

### **TAKUTAI MOANA**

#### There is nothing currently to report on our Takutai Moana engagement.

Our High Court application is in progress and the date for the hearing remains early 2021. If you or a family member gave evidence in any of the hearings held (Mohaka River, Planning Tribunal) or provided and affidavit in the 2013 evidence, we would encourage you to participate in the High Court hearing. We will be providing evidence for a couple of weeks at the hearing and will arrange transport for those who need it. More details will be provided when the time comes.

Please get in touch with Bonny Hatami (bonny.hatami@npdt.co.nz or 0274609366) if you have any queries or to discuss.

**If you are interested in any of the Taiao kaupapa** and would like to know more or contribute please get in touch with Bonny at <u>bonny.hatami@npdt.co.nz</u>

In particular with the Mohaka Plan Change on the horizon, **if you are part of any Māori owned land blocks, Trusts or Farms in the Mohaka or Taharua Catchment** I am interested in your views and issues (forestry slash, gravel, sedimentation, nitrate leaching, future water use/restrictions etc)



# **REGIONAL PLANNING COMMITTEE** – New Appointment

An expression of interest for the Regional Planning Committee -Ngāti Pāhauwera was advertised. Tania Huata-Kupa tendered her interest for this position.

Tania Huata-Kupa being the successful candidate was put forward by the NPDT Trustees as the Ngāti Pāhauwera representative for the Regional Planning Committee. This committee is the co-governance group for the management of natural resources in Hawke's Bay and is a 50 percent iwi and 50 percent HBRC committee.

Toro Waaka was the previous representative and is happy to endorse Tania to represent the Trust and its members. Tania has the RMA Making Good Decisions certification (with Chairing endorsement) she is a current Member of the Institute of Directors, a governance board member on Māori Land Trusts, Tangata Whenua Representative on the Hastings District Council for the Wastewater Joint Committee, Clifton to Tangoio Coastal Hazard Strategy Joint Committee and a board member on Mana Ahuriri Trust.

Tania also has an interest in Māori Governance, Whānau land interests and experience in Māori Land court litigation. She adheres to cultural values, and professionally a financial mentor and Kaianga ora (sorted) facilitator educating financial literacy to assist and empower our whānau into home ownership. Unite against COVID-19



# **COVID-19** – Support from the Government

Finance Minister Grant Robertson announced a support package for New Zealander's and Businesses who have been impacted by COVID-19.

The package included support for:

- wage subsidies for affected businesses in all sectors and regions. Available from today
- COVID-19 leave and self-isolation support
- an income support package for our most vulnerable, including a permanent \$25 per week benefit increase and a doubling of the Winter Energy Payment for 2020
- a redeployment package with specific mention of support for Tairawhiti
- business tax changes to free up cashflow, including a provisional tax threshold

Since then further support has been announced including Mortgage relief and raising the cap of assistance to businesses and their employees.

Details to date are available <u>here</u> including fact sheets and a link to the application. As further information becomes available our team will continue to keep you updated.

If you have any queries you can also refer to the <u>website</u> or call us on 0800 40 80 40.



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