

REPORT TO OWNERS

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TRUST STRUCTURE & YOUR TRUSTEES

LAND OWNERS & BENEFICIARIES

CHAIRMAN Isaac Hunter

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Richard Steedman (Deputy Chair) Peter Steedman

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Tama Wipaki Jenny Mauger

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David Steedman Adell Gilchrist

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Steven Stoney Lewis Winiata



Back row : Peter Steedman, Ike Hunter, Richard Steedman, Tama Wipakl, Lewis Winiata Front row: Jenny Mauger, Steven Stoney, David Steedman, Adell Gilchrist

BANK - WESTPAC TAIHAPE

ACCOUNTANT - SPOONER HOOD & REDPATH LIMITED, WHANGANUI

КО ТЕ МОЕМОЕĀ

Kia manaakitia ngā taonga tuku iho, ko te pōtae o Awarua. To sustainably conserve, protect and develop the land and people of Aorangi Awarua.

VALUES / KO NGA MEA KAINGAKAU

Kaitiakitanga Manaakitanga Mana Ahi kaa Tino Rangatiratanga Whai Hua

Protect and conserve the taonga tuku iho – land, environment and biodiversity.

Maintain effective Trust infrastructure and operations.

> KO NGĀ WHĀINGA 2016-2025

STRATEGIC FOCUS 2016-2025

Explore and develop key relationships for future mutual benefits.

Support whānau to become effective kaitiaki of the taonga tuku iho.

Improve access and sustainable use of the whenua.

Develop sustainable commercial investments to provide sustainable income and growth.

CHAIR'S REPORT

Whakataka te hau ki te uru, whakataka te hau ki te tonga
Kia makinakina ki uta kia mataratara ki tai
E hi ana te atakura
He tio
He huka
He hau hu
Mauriora!

At our last meeting at Winiata Marae it was agreed future meetings be held on a two yearly cycle rather than a three yearly, today is the very first meeting of that cycle. It was also decided to introduce a rotation of Trustees by retirement to the Trust Deed which we will present later in the Agenda.

An election took place with four new Trustees coming onto the Trust. This meant almost 50% of Trustees were new. They have settled in well after taking time to understand and observe the operations and activities of the Trust. New Trustees have either gravitated towards existing portfolios or took up an activity they are comfortable with.

Adell Gilchrist Digital Hub

Steven Stoney Rangatahi Programme

Lewis Winiata Health and Safety

David Steedman Erewhon Rural Water Scheme

& Economic Development

You will hear portfolio reports from our experienced Trustees on matters of Conservation and Pest Control Management, Economic Development and Hunting including an update on the Awarua O Hinemanu block.

We were approached in early 2015 to consider extending our Trusteeship to the Awarua O Hinemanu block. After careful consideration, and engagement with Owner's at our last meeting at Winiata, an application to the Maori land Court was successful including ring fencing the historical issues and the Trust has now taken on Trusteeship of the Awarua O Hinemanu Block.

Finally a reminder if you require any information outside of Owner meetings feel free to contact our Administrator, talk to one of your Trustees or visit our website.

Noho ake raa

Ike Hunter - Hemana



LAND MANAGEMENT REPORTS

ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT WORKING GROUP

There are two economic work streams being planned and developed at this time. They are Mānuka honey harvesting and the Taihape Cascade project.

Manuka Honey

The harvesting of Manuka honey in recent years has increased dramatically in Aotearoa.

Aorangi Awarua Trust Lands in their rural, remote and rugged state are ideal for this type of production as we have some good patches of mānuka and they are relatively remote from any pasture lands which contain clover. On the reverse side of this all honey harvesting is undertaken by helicopters and is thus very expensive.

As a result of a report to the last owners meeting the Trust went ahead with a pilot scheme with Westervelt Owhaoko Honey.

This pilot was designed to gain an economical mānuka honey harvest whilst also gaining good knowledge of favoured mānuka areas and results in different climatic conditions.

The Trust has now had two years of harvests and the results of those two years are set out as follows:

Year	15/16	16/17
Number of hives	40	148
Gross Kg	604.85	4,043
Kgs of honey/hive	15.1	27.3
Average manuka UMF/ NPA	6-7	10-11
Average \$/Kg	29	38 - 42
Net income from operations	\$3,508	\$32,135

These results have given the Trust some optimism in terms of a future income stream. Results for the 16/17 season were especially pleasing when many areas of the country had a very bad season due to a bad Spring/Summer for bees and nectar flow.

Other factors the Trust needs to keep in mind are:

- 1. Only Manuka honey is viable due to helicopter costs.
- 2. Results can vary significantly each season due to climatic conditions and access to non mānuka sources of nectar such as clover.
- 3. The industry is young and still holds significant risk.
- 4. The future opportunities of bringing economic development and jobs to our people within Mōkai Pātea.

The Trust is continuing with this work stream to gain further knowledge in this industry and to consolidate our learnings and future income stream.





The Taihape Cascade Project

Introduction

The Trust has the vision of using its land holdings to facilitate economic and social development in the Mōkai Pātea/ Rangitikei region. One of the Trust's economic development initiatives is the Taihape Cascade Project, which has recently been successful in receiving grant funding for business development purposes from TPK's Whenua Māori Fund.

Vision

The vision that underpins the Taihape Cascade Project is to link whenua to factory for the benefit of whanau.

Specifically, the project will ascertain the feasibility of using Trust lands to grow speciality crops and products (e.g. honey, hops, juniper berries) that can be locally processed into saleable products. The proposal seeks to repurpose the heritage Cascade Brewery Building in Kuku Street, Taihape as the manufacturing site and initial conversations have been had with the Taihape Musicians' Club in this regard.

Basing manufacturing at the Cascade provides a highly visible project 'anchor', and has the potential to be to Taihape what the Tui Tower is to Mangatainoka (with the exception being people actually live in Taihape). It also permits the project to draw on Taihape's rich brewing history.

The initial product focus on using high quality local water to make a range of non-alcoholic and alcoholic beverages (e.g. infused water, craft beer, honey mead, honey vinegar and gin) with a food offering to follow (NB: whilst currently 'out of scope', the proposal is to look at smoked and cured meats and small goods).

The project's vision is bold and audacious: the intention

is to create careers (rather than just jobs), to create them in and around Taihape, and create them for the benefit of local whanau.

Project Plan

A pre-feasibility study has been completed, which confirmed:

- 1. It is commercially viable to repair and re-purpose the Cascade building
- While the Musicians' Club reserves its options, there are no outright objections from the Club to the proposal
- 3. The artesian water is of sufficient quality and quantity to form the basis of a beverage project .

The Whenua Māori funding is now being used to develop three papers that can form the basis of a prospective business case. The papers are as follows:

- Paper 1: Whenua: what are the niche and potentially high value - crops that can be successfully grown/ harvested from Trust lands (as well as other land within the Rangitikei region).
- Paper 2: Factory: what are the products that can be made, what is required to make them, and how suitable is the Cascade site as a manufacturing base?
- Paper 3: *Customers:* Who will buy the resulting products and what are the channels to market?

The intention is to have the majority of all three papers completed within this calendar year with further funding sought for a building survey to be conducted in 2018.

It is envisaged that a business case and recommendation will be completed during the first quarter of calendar 2018.

Peter Fraser

HUNTING

Kia Ora Koutou,

I am Peter Steedman and my main Portfolio on this Trust is to promote hunting as well as take bookings from the Public and owners for land access.

In 2008 The Trustees of Aorangi Awarua Trust introduced recreation hunting to generate an additional income stream and to also enable a controlled land use programme administered by the Trustees.

The combined Aorangi Awarua Trust (AAT) Lands together with the Hinemanu o Awarua Trust (AoH) lands are presently being administrated in tandem. A programme will be introduced to improve the use of the AoH blocks for recreational use as finances become available, meanwhile the AAT will incorporate its use with the present permit system.

New Cabin

In February 2017 the Trust built a new cabin situated at the Narrows on the banks of the Rangitikei River. It is envisaged that this camp site will became a popular site for whanau groups, rangatahi groups and hunters alike, photos of this facility are available, Steven Stoney will report further on the Rangitahi Programme.



Pathway to Bivvy and view of meat safe

Hunting

There is six cabins scattered throughout the property belonging to the Trust and available for owners use at no charge, some cabins have a kent fire for cooking and heating, all have gas cookers and a full range of cooking and dinning utensils available, users need a sleeping bag, food, and toilet bag.

The cabin built in 2010 at the Makirikiri-Ikawetea, Ruahine corner area has been a huge success and get plenty of use by hunters, trampers, whanau, and Trust work programmes. All sites are identified as helicopter landing sites and have potential to develop further.

The majority of access to these huts is by helicopter (at your expense) plus a fee of \$100 including gst per person per night. The average income for the Trust from a party of three staying four nights is \$1,200.

The Trust has introduced a 24 hour permit fee is \$100 which caters for the one day or week end hunter which is restricted to walk in from River Valley Ventures. Hunters pick up their permit from me on Friday or Saturday evening and book into River Valley Lodge to go for hunt early the next morning. Hunters must report to the River Valley Office on arrival and prior to crossing the river via the flying fox, they are required to secure the flying fox to prevent any other persons crossing into the area.

Other activities on the land are:

- Pest control programme
- Aorangi Experience Ltd
- Te Potae o Awarua Programme
- Kiwi Programme

Trustees have developed a graphic chart for land use to record the hunting and the above activities to ensure a safe an acceptable working relationship.

Access to Land

All permitted use or access to the property is controlled by the Field Officer.

Access for Owners and Beneficiaries

Access for Owners for recreation or otherwise can be arranged by contacting either Field Officer or our Administrator. Fees are waived for Owners or their families, bookings are essential so we can coordinate access along side hunters.

Marketing

Marketing programmes for hunts are available on request.

Peter Steedman - Hunting Portfolio.

CONSERVATION & PEST CONTROL MANAGEMENT

Te Potae o Awarua Stoat Line

The Aorangi Awarua Trust has been part of a stoat trapping network in the Northern Ruahine Range since 2007. The network continues to be extended by dedicated whanau, volunteers, and DOC staff. The stoat trapping now includes Awarua o Hinemanu land.

The Trust continues to focus on Conservation and Pest Control management. From October to March work is carried out over two days with team leaders, whanau and volunteers.

180 stoat traps are spread across two major lines, Ohuitu Ridge and Ohuitu Stream. The traps are checked and repairs/maintenance carried out as they walk the line.

A further 20 self setting traps have been placed either side of the Ohuitu Stream to protect the adult Whio leaving them to nest and raise their ducklings without the threat of pest invasion.

It is planned a further 20 self setting traps will be set in the Waiokotore stream catchment this coming 2017-18 season. The total number of stoats killed 46; with three times as many rats for the 2016-17 season. For this coming season a heavy beech seeding had occurred and it is expected to drive introduced predators such as rats, mice, and stoats to even higher numbers than usual because of the over abundance of plant foods.

We encourage data collecting while in the field to help us best utilize our GIS program. The data we collect are recording predator numbers; bird life, fungi, weather conditions, hut and trap repairs.

Two months ago we experienced the heaviest snow fall in 30 years so it is expected our tracking network to be in a mess. Hut and track maintenance is carried out as required at same time as stoat lines are checked.

The Trust will be working with Department of Conservation and OSPRI in partnership to target possums and rats through a planned ground operation sometime in the future. Pest weeds are also targeted by the Trust along the Rangitikei River every two years which at this time is mainly gorse.

Tama Wipaki - Conservation Portfolio



EREWHON RURAL WATER SUPPLY SCHEME

On Aorangi Awarua Trust land, at a weir on the Reporoa Stream, water is being diverted into a pipeline to feed the Erewon Rural Water Scheme. There are two legal agreements behind this: an easement agreement; and a resource consent.

The easement agreement is between Aorangi Awarua Trust and the Rangitikei District Council for the weir and the pipeline structures. Throughout the 80s & 90s consultation & negotiations between Aorangi Awarua Trustee's & Rangitikei District Council continued to break down & were seen to be not in the best interests of the Aorangi Awarua Trust. The Aorangi Awarua Trust finally agreed to allowRangitikei District Council an easement over their lands & now receive an annual fee as part of this agreement.

The resource consent was given by Horizons Regional Council to Rangitikei District Council for the taking of the water to supply 31 rural properties. The catchment the water is drawn from includes a bog which is not secure from contamination (e.g. bacteria from dead animals that have fallen into the bog). Because the piped water has not been treated at the source to bring it up to drinking water standards it is only to be used for irrigation or stockwatering purposes by those on the Erewhon Scheme. The water would need to be chlorinated and treated with ultraviolet-light to meet drinking water standards, including if it was to be used for bottling.

In 2009 at the renewal of this consent an assessment of the environmental effects of the taking of this water was done by Horizons, and the effects were found to

be less than minor. Both Aorangi Awarua Trust and the Environmental Working Party (EWP) gave their written approval for the consent.

SUMMARY OF FACTS

Easement Agreement

- 1. **Easement:** May 2006 an application to the Maori Land Court for an easement over our lands was granted to RDC
- 2. Payment: RDC pay the sum of \$5000 per year.
- 3. **Full & Final Settlement:** The parties accepted that the settlement recorded in the document was full & final settlement of all issues arising between the Trust & Council.
- 4. **Erewhon Rural Water Supply Scheme Management Committee:** The Council appoints a representative of the Trust who is nominated by the Trust to the ERWSS Management Committee which is a committee of Council.
- 5. **Water supply to Marae:** The Council & Trust have agreed that the Trust may arrange for water that is surplus to the scheme's requirements be taken from a tank on a nearby property for supply to the Marae. The water that maybe taken by the Trust consists of the overflow from this tank



- 6. **Term of Agreement:** The agreement took effect from the date of execution & shall remain in force until it's terminated.
- 7. **Termination:** After 10 years, the Council may terminate this agreement at any time by giving one month's notice in writing. The termination of this agreement shall not resurrect any claims that either party may have had against the other before the agreement commenced which were extinguished by the operation (Full & Final Settlement)

Resource Consent

Consent Holder: Rangitikei District Council

Consent Date: 31 August 2009

Consent Type: Water Permit (surface take) & Water

Permit (dam)

resource consent.

Application: The applicant, Rangitikei District Council, has applied for a resource consent to take up to 1,800 cubic metres per day (1,800 m3/day) of surface water from the Reporoa Stream for providing water to the Erewhon Rural Water Supply Scheme. The water is abstracted from the Reporoa Stream via a small weir and supplies stock water to 31 farms by gravity feed. The applicant has sought a term of **35 years** for this

Notification: The application is for a Controlled Activity; or the consent authority is satisfied that the adverse effects of the activity on the environment will be minor. **Raelene Hurndell,** Manawatu-Wanganui Regional Council's Environmental Scientist assessed the application and considers that any adverse effects of the activity on the environment will be minor.

All persons identified as being potentially adversely affected have provided their written approval These were;

Wanganui Conservancy of the Department of Conservation Wellington Fish and Game NZ

Aorangi Awarua Trust EWP Barbara Ball & Rangi Hawira

Mid Central Health

Consent Compliance

By **1 May 2011**, the Permit Holder shall undertake at least ten gauging's, at least seven days apart, within 500 metres upstream of the weir used for abstracting water under this Permit, when the flow at the Rangitikei at Pukeokahu flow recorder is less than 8.7 cubic metres per second (8.7 m3/s), with at least five of these measurements taken when the flow is less than 5.3 m3/s at the Rangitikei at Pukeokahu flow recorder. The results of these gauging's shall be submitted to the Manawatu /Wanganui Regional Council's Environmental Protection Manager by **31 May 2011**.

The Manawatu-Wanganui Regional Council may, under Section 128 of the Resource Management Act 1991, initiate a review of all conditions of this Permit in the month of May in the years **2012**, **2015**, **2017** and **2023**.

The reviews shall be for reviewing the effectiveness of the conditions in avoiding or mitigating any adverse effects on the environment which may arise as a result of the exercise of this Permit.

Consent Duration

The Policy and Consents Manager of the Manawatu / Wanganui Regional Council (pursuant to delegated authority), grants resource consent to Rangitikei District Council under Section 104, 104B and 108 of the Resource Management Act 1991 to take surface water from the Reporoa Stream to supply water to the Erewhon Rural Water Supply Scheme at Reporoa Stream, east of Matawhero Road, Mangohane for a term of 18 years expiring on 1 July 2027.

Review of Conditions

The review of conditions shall allow for: The deletion or amendment of any of the conditions of this Permit; or ii. the addition of new conditions as necessary to avoid, remedy or mitigate any adverse effect on the environment.

The Manawatu-Wanganui Regional Council may, under Section 128(1)(b) of the Resource Management Act 1991, initiate a review of all of the conditions of the Permit at any time throughout the term of this Permit when a regional plan has been made operative which sets rules relating to maximum or minimum levels or flows or

rates of use of water, and in the Manawatu-Wanganui Regional Council's opinion it is appropriate to review the conditions of this Permit in order to enable the levels, flows, rates or standards set by any rule to be met. The review shall be for reviewing the effectiveness of the conditions in avoiding or mitigating any adverse effect on the environment, which may arise because of the exercise of this Permit, in response to any future Regional Water Allocation Plan.

Aorangi Awarua Trust Independent Review

We intend to seek a full review of the easement agreement within the next year & also carry out our own review of the assessment of environmental effects of this water-take. If we find that the effects are in fact of consequence then we will seek any of: a review of the consent conditions; environmental mitigation; or financial redress.

Closing Statement

My first term as a Trustee and Erewhon Rural Water Scheme Representative on the Aorangi Awarua Trust has presented many challengers. It is a privilege and honour to represent my whanau, hapu and iwi as kaitiaki of our sacred whenua. I have gained some excellent knowledge and always keen to learn new skills that can help me in my roles to deliver the best I can for all Aorangi Awarua owners.

Nga Mihi

David Steedman - Erewhon Portfolio

REPORT ON ECOLOGICAL DATA MANAGEMENT

for year ending September 2017

Goal

To provide owners, trustees and supporters with quality geo-referenced ecological data for informed decision making.

Current status

Resource Required Attained?

Operating system

√ Purchased laptop

GIS software

√ Received ARCGIS software from ESRI free in perpetuity

Training

√ Adell attended a Land and Information NZ (LINZ) Maori GIS Wananga in Wellington on 17 October 2016; DOC provides an ongoing tutor

Data

× See below

Plan for Sourcing Data

1. The proposedgeospatial layers of data are:

- landmarks
- location, catchment and levels of surface water/ ground water/springs
- huts
- trap-lines
- tracks
- natural phenomena events e.g. fire, wind storms

· flora/fauna quantity / quality

- · specific areas of interest e.g. moa findings
- Pest Management & Conservation work/ resource analysis

2. Collect information from:

- Internal historical reports
- Govt agencies records e.g. DOC, historical Lands and Survey etc
- Individual whanau
- Verbal transcripts used in historical law e.g. our Waitangi Tribunal cases etc
- Conservation group records
- · Hut books

3. Devise information collection / ecological monitoring programmes

- It is envisaged that the labour resource will for collection will come from:
 - owners and whanau
 - Educational Institutes
 - Govt agencies
 - Conservation groups
- It is envisaged that ecological monitoring training will rise from the wananga, and this may include the use of traditional techniques

4. Identify gaps in information

Adell Gilchrist - Digital Portfolio



RANGATAHI REPORT

Kia ora whanau,

My first term of being a Trustee on the Aorangi Awarua Trust, has been a challenge an honour and privilege. Thank you for the opportunity to represent my whanau, iwi, hapu as a Kaitiaki of the Aorangi Awarua Lands, I have enjoyed every minute.

Challenges

It has been a big challenge learning how the AAT Trust operates, the policies, mission statements, legislation and working alongside other Trustee. I felt this was a very important part of the Rangatahi Portfolio. Learning the different roles within the Trust has meant that I deliberately worked alongside other Trust members learning about the land, the mahi that is needed and constructive ways to implement a long term Rangatahi programme.

I take my role very serious and have tried to learn as much as possible.

Strategy

The strategy has been to try and get on the land as many times as possible I put my hand up for anything that was happening on the land. This allowed me to assist my fellow trustees with their portfolios.

Successes

- Worked alongside Tama Wipaki on pest control programme. Working on Makirikiri Stoat line. Dropped off at Ohuitu Ridge and walked to Makirikiri checking over 90 traps, walking 5-7 hours, cleaned hut and resourced kitchen.
- Worked alongside Peter Steedman, hunting, hut maintenance, and built a new hut in the narrows. A fantastic spot and wonderful experience, I suggest this spot be used as a Rangatahi/Whanau block and keep access to the Narrows for whanau owners only
- Cleaned up the Bivy hut, washed the hut down, cleaned spouting, water tank, picked up rubbish, and completed the new porter loo. Did the Bivy Stoat line, collected wood, relocated Makirikiri toilet

to higher ground away from water table.

- Worked alongside Jenny Mauger with Manu Tioriori programme.
- Worked alongside Department of Conservation on survey of Whio.
- Worked alongside Adell, helped with transporting Tauranga University Students doing Kiwi count.
- Encouraged rangatahi to get their pig dogs certified as Kiwi friendly.
- Encouraged our rangatahi not to poach, but ask and encourage them to get the relevant permits.
- Encouraged rangatahi to get their Fire Arms licence.
- Encouraging the rangatahi by word of mouth and facebook, to come on the land and do some mahi or when they are going in for a hunt to tidy up around the hut, not to just take from the land but give something back.

GOAL

E hinga ana te he tetekura, haere mai raa he tetekura

(When a leaf falls from a tree it withers, it turns brown, from that a shoot emerges and growth starts)

One of our main objectives is to encourage our people to return to their lands so that their mind, body and spirit can be refreshed. We have a duty to grab a hold of the aka Matua that has been left by our ancestors, for we will never be lost, we are the sacred seed sown in Rangiatea.

Support Rangatahi to become effective kaitiaki of the taonga tuku iho.

Steven Stoney - Rangatahi Portfolio.

HEALTH AND SAFETY OFFICER REPORT



E ngā lwi, kua mihia, kua tangihia o tātou mate, Moe mai koutou, moe marie ki te wāhi ngaro, E moe, e moe, e moe. Ko tātou ra enei, ko ngā morehurehu, E tangi nei, e mihi nei. Tēnā rawa atu tātou kātoa.

On behalf of the Board of Aorangi Awarua Land Trust I am honoured as our Health & Safety Officer to present this report to you today.

Throughout the past 2 years the Board have committed themselves to working really hard in making progress to develop and adopt our Health & Safety Policies and Procedures for the health and safety of all users of our land.

Close contact has been maintained with our Helicopter Services to ensure that they too comply with Health & Safety rules with our Hunters.

This is to ensure the safety of our Hunters who have a permit to go onto the Land.

Our Health and Safety Policy and Procedures are working documents and that will be used to evaluate and develop our ongoing strategy to manage risk.

Our future strategy is to:

- Continue to commit to the safety of all users of our lands
- Implement our Health and Safety Policy and Procedures through
- Inducting and educating users of our lands in our Health and Safety Policy and Procedures
- · Monitoring and Evaluating our Policy and Procedures and
- · Implementing any changes to Manage Risk

Ngā Mihi ki a koutou kātoa.

Lewis Winiata - Health & Safety Portfolio



AWARUA O HINEMANU BLOCK

The Awarua o Hinemanu Block is 2,561 Ha and is situated in the Ruahine Ranges. It has approximately 900 Owners of whom the vast majority are in common with the owners of the Aorangi Awarua Trust Lands.

There have been issues with the previous Awarua o Hinemanu Trust (AOHT) including missing funds of at least \$180,000 from their Nga Whenua Rahui kawenata monies and the subsequent recovery actions.

As a result of these issues the Court had appointed three responsible trustees - Clinton Hemana, Flo Karaitiana and Ranui Toatoa.

The Aorangi Awarua Trust then held conversations with both Clinton Hemana and Flo Karaitiana as well as gained information from Judge Layne Harvey on the issues confronting the Awarua o Hinemanu Trust.

As a result of a favourable Meeting of Owners of both the Aorangi Awarua Trust Blocks and the Awarua o Hinemanu Block on 17 October 2015 and a reserved Judgement by the Maori Land Court dated 21stDecember 2016 the Trustees of the Aorangi Awarua Trust were appointed as the responsible Trustees of the Awarua o Hinemanu Block.

Below is an assessment of the current situation of the Awarua o Hinemanu Block and a clear pathway forward on resolving each of those issues.

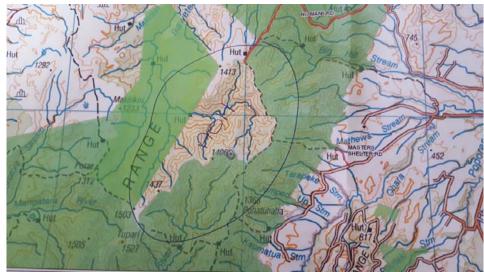
The issues and an outline of forward actions to address these are-

- 1. Funds missing. At least \$180,000.
 - a. Action to continue through MLC to prosecute/ recover missing funds. This action is likely to commence in November/ December 2017.
 - b. Meet with Nga Whenua Rahui Management to ascertain how this happened and whether further steps by them could have prevented this loss of funds.
- 2. Access Big Hill Station.
 - a. Cultivate a workable relationship with Big Hill Station.
 - b. Meet with Department of Conservation staff to assess access situation.
- 3. Development.
 - a. Expand Aorangi Awarua Trust hunting opportunities on to Awarua o Hinemanu.
 - b. Investigate ETS opportunities.

- c. Expand Aorangi Awarua manuka honey opportunities on to Awarua o Hinemanu.
- d. Envelope Awarua o Hinemanu into the Aorangi Awarua economic development work stream.
- e. Meet with DoC management re our future relationship.

4. Trust Structure.

- a. The reserved Judgement by the Maori Land Court dated 21stDecember 2016 appointed the Trustees of the Aorangi Awarua Trust as the responsible Trustees of the Awarua o Hinemanu Block.
- b. The Court asked that the next meeting of owners be held in Heretaunga.
- c. The Trustees are now ready to formally amalgamate the Awarua o Hinemanu Block into the Aorangi Awarua Trust along with our Aorangi (Awarua) and Awarua 1DB2 Blocks.
- d. The Trustees recommend that the name of the Trust remain as the 'Aorangi Awarua Trust'. This is based on the name of our Maunga Aorangi as the centre of these lands and the fact that all three blocks are part of the Awarua lands.
- e. That the owners of Awarua o Hinemanu adopt the Aorangi Awarua Trust Deedand that
- f. Clause 1. Of that Trust Deed be replaced with the following wording-
- g. 'This Trust shall be known as the Aorangi Awarua Trust and shall apply to the Maori Freehold Lands known as Aorangi (Awarua), Awarua 1DB2 and Awarua o Hinemanu.'



Circled is Awarua O Hinemanu block it neighbours Department of Conservation Forest and Te Koau Trust land

VARIATION TO TRUST DEED

for year ending September 2017

Alterations to Trust Deed to

- 1. Allow for Retirement (Rotation) of Trustees.
- 2. Allow for a meeting of owners every two years.
- 3. Allow for the inclusion of the Awarua o Hinemanu Block to be formally included into the Aorangi Awarua Trust.

The Meeting of Owners of 2015 asked the Trustees to present appropriate wording to allow for the retirement (also known as rotation) of Trustees.

The following is the proposed wording which would form a new clause to the current Trust Deed.

This proposed clause allows for a full rotation by retirement of all nine current Trustees over the next three meetings of owners (with longest serving Trustees retiring first) and that future terms of all Trustees will be six years.

It also allows all Trustees to stand for re-election on retirement.

Retirement of Trustees

- a. At the first biennial meeting of owners after the bringing into force of this section, **THREE** Trustees shall retire.
- At the second biennial meeting of owners after the bringing into force of this section, a further **THREE** Trustees not elected subject to clause a. of this section shall retire.
- c. At the third biennial meeting of owners after the bringing into force of this section, the remaining Trustees not elected subject to clause a. and b. of this section shall retire.
- d. All Trustees elected or re-elected subject to clauses a., b. and c. of this section shall retire at the completion of SIX years service on the Trust from the date of the motion of the meeting owners electing that Trustee.
- e. In relation to clauses a., b., c.and d. of this section the retirement of that Trustee shall take effect on the day of the meeting of owners scheduled closest to the date stated in those clauses.
- f. That a meeting of owners shall elect replacement Trustees for those retiring Trustees.
- g. A retiring Trustee shall be eligible for re-election.

- h. In relation to clauses a., and b. of this section those Trustees to retire shall be those with the longest tenure since they were last elected.
- If the Trustees are unable to determine which of their number shall retire under this section then the matter shall be referred to the Court for determination.

The Meeting of Owners of 2015 also asked the Trustees to alter the Trust Deed to allow for a meeting of owners every two years (rather than three currently).

This requires an alteration to clause 7. a. i of the current Trust Deed to replace the wording "3 years" with "2 years".

The new wording will be as follows-

The Trustees shall call a general meeting of beneficial owners from time to time and at least once every **two years** and a general meeting shall be called by the trustees upon service of a notice of a requisition in writing signed by not less than 15 beneficial owners stating the purpose for which the meeting is required.

Finally and as a result of discussions at this hui in regards to the amalgamation of Awarua o Hinemanu Block into the Aorangi Awarua Trust the Trust requires that clause 1. of the Trust Deed be replaced with the following wording-

This Trust shall be known as the Aorangi Awarua Trust and shall apply to the Maori Freehold Lands known as Aorangi (Awarua), Awarua 1DB2 and Awarua o Hinemanu.

Motion -

That the Aorangi Awarua Trust Deed be altered as per this report to allow for

- 1. Retirement (Rotation) of Trustees and
- 2. Allow for a meeting of owners every two years.
- 3. Allow for the amalgamation of the Awarua o Hinemanu Block to be formally included into the Aorangi Awarua Trust.

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