

# Porirua ki Manawatū

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## Tēnā koutou katoa

Welcome to the fourth issue of the Porirua ki Manawatū staff pānui. In this issue we cover two inquiry events of 2017: the Rangitīkei River joint hearing held in Te Papaioeia (Palmerston North) and the release of the pre-publication version of the Tribunal's *Horowhenua: the Muaūpoko Priority Report*.

At the joint hearing, Deputy Chief Judge Fox verbally announced that, as Sir Tāmami Reedy would be stepping down, Dr Monty Soutar would be appointed to the Porirua ki Manawatū Tribunal. This was later confirmed via memorandum-directions (#2.5.148). Some information about Dr Soutar's previous work and his accomplishments are given at p. 3.

The research programme has progressed considerably over the last year and at p. 3 we set out the latest update from the Crown Forestry Rental Trust (CFRT) and the Waitangi Tribunal Unit (WTU). Over the coming month, research hui for Tony Walzl and Lou Chase will be held for Te Āti Awa/Ngātiawa claimants and CFRT reports will be released to parties. More information about these milestones are set out on p.3.

Finally, we set out updated staff contact details on the final page.

For any questions about inquiry progress, process or general queries about research hui and projects that have been commissioned, please contact staff.

Upcoming dates	
19 <sup>th</sup> century land and political engagement report, Tony Walzl   <b>Draft report</b>	23 August 2017
<b>Final report</b>	4 October 2017
Ngātiawa/Te Āti Awa oral evidence and traditional history report, Louis Chase   <b>Draft report</b>	30 August 2017
<b>Final report</b>	15 November 2017



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# The Tribunal releases *Horowhenua: The Muaūpoko Priority Report*

On 29 June 2017, the Porirua ki Manawatū Tribunal released their report, *Horowhenua: The Muaūpoko Priority Report*. After expedited hearings held in late 2015, and closing submissions in early 2016, the Tribunal prepared its report in response to the claims bought by Muaūpoko claimants. Parties opened their case by highlighting issues of landlessness, the management and care of Lake Horowhenua and its related tributaries, the Hokio township, public works takings and the loss of te reo and tikanga. Their recommendations and findings dealt specifically with Muaūpoko claims issues from within, and concerning, the Horowhenua block.

After distribution of the report, Deputy Chief Judge Fox issued memorandum-directions inviting parties to submit corrections to the spelling and macronisation of people and place names, or any other words and phrases referred to in

## H O R O W H E N U A *The Muaūpoko Priority Report*

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PRE-PUBLICATION VERSION



Hokio stream from Moutere Road

the report. Parties should note that while the Tribunal may incorporate these minor changes, their findings and recommendations will not change.

Staff extend thanks to all those involved in the completion of the report, particularly claimant and Crown counsel, and Muaūpoko people of the Horowhenua.

## Joint hearing: the Rangitīkei River

On 30 and 31 May 2017 the Porirua ki Manawatū panel sat alongside the Taihape panel to hear technical evidence concerning the Rangitīkei River, an awa that stretches across both inquiry districts. Only once before in the Tribunal's history have two panels sat together to hear evidence.

The panels heard the authors of two technical reports concerning the Rangitīkei River. These reports were written to deal with claims issues related to the river as a single body across both inquiry districts.

On day one, the Tribunals heard the evidence of Dr Robert Joseph and Mr Paul Meredith on their report, *Ko Rangitīkei te awa: the Rangitīkei River and its tributaries cultural perspectives report*. The report considered the cultural perspectives of tangata whenua in relation to the awa and its tributaries (including the Hautapu and Moawhango Rivers).

During their questioning, the panels and counsel explored the significance of the pātiki within the history of the river; the health of the River's mauri and the relationship between tangata whenua and local government authorities with responsibility to care for the awa.

On day two, Mr David Alexander gave evidence on his report, the *Rangitīkei River and its tributaries historical report*. The project considered the relationship between tino rangatiratanga and kawanatanga and the impacts of that relationship on the awa. Counsel and the panels explored the Crown's historical management and use of the river, the extent to which it had engaged with tangata whenua, and the current state of the river.

With thanks to the mana whenua, Rangitāne, and claimants and counsel who attended.

# New Tribunal member



Dr. Monty Soutar (Ngāti Porou, Ngāti Awa)

At the beginning of the joint hearing in May, Deputy Chief Judge Fox announced that Dr Monty Soutar would be appointed to the Porirua ki Manawatū panel as its newest member. Dr Soutar will assist with kaumatua responsibilities and bring his skills as a historian.

Dr Soutar is of Ngāti Porou and Ngāti Awa. He is a guardian of the Alexander Turnbull Library and a member of the National Archives Council. He has significant experience in historical research and vast knowledge in dealing with Māori Land Court records. He has worked widely with iwi and Māori communities.

His most recent publication is *Ngā Tamatoa: He Toto Heke* (2014). It is a te reo Māori translation of *Nga Tamatoa: The Price of Citizenship* (2008) about C Company of the 28th Māori Battalion. Dr Soutar was appointed to the Waitangi Tribunal in 2002.

Dr Soutar is also a panel member for the Taihape: Rangitīkei ki Rangipo and Military Veterans inquiries.

## Ngātiawa/Te Āti Awa research

### Research extensions

Deputy Chief Judge Fox recently extended the commissions of Mr Tony Walzl and Mr Louis Chase to allow for the analysis of additional research material. The draft and final reports will now be released on the following dates:

- *19th Century Land and Political Engagement report* (Tony Walzl)
  - Draft now due by 23 August 2017
  - Final now due by 4 October 2017
- *Ngātiawa/Te Āti Awa oral evidence and traditional history report* (Louis Chase)
  - Draft now due by 30 August 2017
  - Final now due by 15 November 2017

Once the drafts have been submitted, Tribunal staff will distribute them to inquiry parties via the distribution list. If you would do not believe you are currently part of the distribution list and would like to be added to it, please get in touch with staff. Our contact details can

be found on the last page of this pānui.

### Research hui

Once the draft reports have been distributed, research hui will be held with parties to discuss the material and put forward any suggested changes or amendments to the researchers.

All parties should note that the status of the draft reports will be close to a final report. The research hui will be the last opportunity for parties to submit meaningful feedback to the researchers before they finalise their report.

Pānui setting out research hui venues, times, dates and RSVP details will be sent out in the coming week.

We strongly encourage claimants to attend these hui so that the researchers can incorporate any pertinent changes before their final reports are released in October and November.

The tables below represent a snapshot of the Porirua ki Manawatū research programme based on the latest updates from CFRT and the WTU. Parties should always check recent distributions in case changes or updates have been issued. All are welcome to contact either the WTU or CFRT, depending on who is responsible for the project (see agency).

## Snapshot of the research programme: where are we now?

NGĀTIAWA/TE ĀTI AWA HISTORICAL RESEARCH				
Report Name	Author(s)	Agency	Draft	Final
Ngātiawa / Te Āti Awa research needs (scoping report)	Tony Walzl	WTU	-	#A186
Ngātiawa/Te Āti Awa land and political engagement issues, c.1819-1900	Tony Walzl	WTU	23 August 2017	4 October 2017
Ngātiawa/Te Āti Awa oral evidence and traditional history	Lou Chase	WTU	30 August 2017	15 November 2017
Ngātiawa/Te Āti Awa twentieth century overview and gap-filling (local issues) report	TBD	WTU	TBD	TBD

DISTRICT-WIDE OVERVIEW RESEARCH				
Report Name	Author(s)	Agency	Draft	Final
Technical research scoping report	Terry Hearn	CFRT	-	#6.2.2
Inland waterways cultural perspectives	Te Rangi Ltd.	CFRT	October 2016	Imminent
Local government issues	Suzanne Woodley	CFRT	December 2016	Imminent
Environment and natural resource issues	Vaughan Wood research cluster	CFRT	March 2017	31 July 2017
Inland waterways historical report	Te Rangi Ltd.	CFRT	April 2017	11 August 2017
Block research narratives	Walghan Partners	CFRT	June 2017	31 August 2017
Public works issues	Bassett Kay Research	CFRT	29 September 2017	20 November 2017
Socio-economic overview	TBD	WTU	TBD	TBD

NGĀTI RAUKAWA AND AFFILIATED IWI/HAPŪ HISTORICAL RESEARCH				
Report Name	Author(s)	Agency	Draft	Final
Hapū and iwi broadly associated with Ngāti Raukawa (scoping report)	Robyn Anderson	WTU	-	#A128
Historical Issues #4: Rangiratanga and kāwanatanga, 1890-2000	Grant Young	CFRT	February 2017	Imminent
Tūmatanui Incorporated Society oral and traditional report	Peter McBurney	CFRT	June 2017	July 2017
Historical Issues #2: Crown action and Māori response, land and politics, 1840-1900	ARRK Ltd.	CFRT	Imminent	31 July 2017
Historical Issues #1: Custom, colonisation and the Crown, 1820 - 1900	Richard Boast	CFRT	June 2017	1 November 2017
Historical Issues #3: Māori aspirations, Crown response and reserves, 1840-2000	Paul Husbands	CFRT	1 September 2017	3 November 2017
Te Hono ki Raukawa oral and traditional report	Te Hono	CFRT	TBD	December 2017
Tū Te Manawaroa oral and traditional report	TBD	CFRT	TBD	TBD

# Waitangi Tribunal Staff Update

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The Porirua ki Manawatū team works with the panel, claimants, researchers and other parties to organise and facilitate the inquiry, manage inquiry events and assist with documentation and legal issues.

Matthew Cunningham	<b>Senior Facilitator</b>	Matthew is responsible for the oversight of the inquiry and the research programme. He provides advice and quality assurance on procedural and research documents. He also analyses inquiry issues and develops inquiry procedures and strategies. His role extends to providing authoritative research, operational, procedural and planning advice to Presiding Officers and Tribunal members. <b>04 471 4936</b>   <a href="mailto:Matthew.Cunningham@justice.govt.nz">Matthew.Cunningham@justice.govt.nz</a>
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