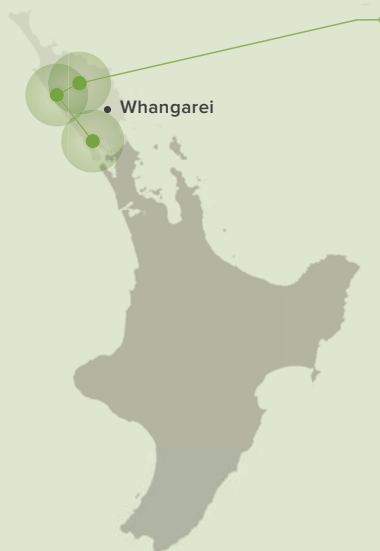


Whenua Māori Fund

Project Overview

The Whenua Māori Fund provides funding for the development and care of Māori-owned land — these are stories of the successful applicants.

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Ngā Ngāhere Momona

Taitokerau Māori Forestry Collective Incorporated



Location of the Land Blocks: 32,000 hectares of Māori Freehold Land within the Taitokerau Region

Long Term Aspirations: The project is part of a Māori led forestry strategy to create pathways across a Māori aspirational value chain. The Collective currently has a membership of Māori Trusts/Incorporations who collectively own over 32,000 ha of land in Taitokerau. The long-term aspiration for this project is for the Māori Trusts/Incorporations under the collective to actively own and manage the activities on their lands and to find suitable investors to support the replanting and new planting of all the underlying blocks into forest.

Project Description: The collective seeks to increase the productive use of Māori owned assets (at scale) and increase employment and skills in the region by trialling a prototype that attracts new investors through a secured supply. The prototype project aims to plant up to 813ha in exotic pine during the 2016 planting season.

Outcomes: The Collective vision statement “Kua oti to tatou Whare Whakairo” emphasises self-determination and self-reliance.

The prototype project involves testing the planting process for Māori land owners who are new to the business of planting trees and managing forests. The Collective will capture the key learning's and information, report on the projects planting findings, model the process for planting and improve owner access to expertise and services. A skills development programme will be produced to support the future development of the remaining 'Collective' land into forest and move further up the value chain.

Members (Land Owners): Te Hiku Iwi Development Trust, Te Ahuahu Trust, Te Puna Toopu o Hokianga Trust, Whakatere ki Koranui Trust, Ngāti Hine Forestry Trust, Ōpapaki Trust, Te Hurihanga Farms, Te Uri o Hau Corporation

Partners: Te Puni Kōkiri, Ministry for Primary Industries, Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Hine, NorthTec, Motatau Marae, Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Takato, Waipapa Pine, Rosvall Sawmill, BDO Bay of Islands, Wright Partners, Westpac, Sustainable Forest Management

Te Puni Kōkiri Investment
 \$266,00 (plus Gst)

