



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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Te Kaha Gold Nursery (Ngā Kākano a Teipo)

Te Kaha 67 & Other Blocks Ahu Whenua Trust



Location of the Land Blocks: Te Kaha 67A block 2.7063ha, Te Kaha 67C block 0.3389ha and part of Te Kaha block 13.0517ha.

Long-Term Aspirations: The philosophy and vision of the landowners is clear — this is an investment by coastal people in their own future. The proposal is cooperative and collaborative in its intent with the overarching objective of developing further land in Te Kaha into viable kiwifruit orchards.

Long term aspiration once the nursery is fully functional is to look at diversifying i.e. moving into the honey market and/or provide mānuka or kānuka seedlings.

Project Description: Te Kaha Gold Nursery (Ngā Kākano a Teipo) is a two-stage project to develop a small-scale nursery to grow kiwifruit root stock which will inform a feasibility study and business case for development of a larger scale nursery.

Outcomes: The primary consideration for the nursery is to produce kiwifruit root stock to supply to Te Kaha Growers blocks and other Māori land blocks in the region.

This will be attained through a pilot nursery using 0.4 hectares of unused land situated on Te Kaha 67C blocks. The findings, lessons learned, outcomes both technical and in general will inform a feasibility study and business case. If successful, a 2.5 to 3-hectare block has been identified to develop a larger nursery block, beside Te Kaha Regional School, and assist with the education development of unit standards for the school students to level 3 Horticulture.

Members (Land Owners): This Trust is the lead trust on behalf of Te Kaha Growers Landowners Group Holdings Limited Partnership ('TKG'). TKG is a collective of six (6) Māori land blocks: Te Kaha 67A Trust, Te Kaha 2B2 Trust, Te Kaha 15B, Te Kaha 14B2 (Māori Trustee, Responsible Trustee), Maungaroa No.1 Section 27, Te Kaha 9B

Partners: Te Kaha 67 & Other Blocks Ahu Whenua Trust, TKG Investment Group, Opotiki Packing, Coolstorage Limited and Te Puni Kōkiri

Te Puni Kōkiri investment:
\$132,750 (plus GST)

