



Waiuku Whitebait Habitat Restoration 2012



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To support the health and wellbeing of the Waikato River by saving the disappearing Mangati Stream near Waiuku.

This project will help support the health and wellbeing of the Waikato River by saving the choked and disappearing Mangati Stream, turning it once again into an important part of the biodiversity of the northern channels of the lower Waikato.

We envision that once the channel has been opened it will encourage the current which is vital to attracting spawning white bait.

We will replicate the plan of our stage one restoration by using existing streams [in this case the old flax drains that were in use for over a hundred years up until the 1960's] to connect the Mangati with tidal spawning areas that the inanga need.

This will also recreate the earlier use of the Mangati as a transport route allowing us access to control the exotic weeds that are constantly threatening the channel and surrounding swamp.

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