



Wharekorino Wetland Enhancement Project



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Restoring Wharekorino wetland area.

This showcase project at Mangatoatoa Marae will be an exemplar of best practice for restoring a safe wetland area.

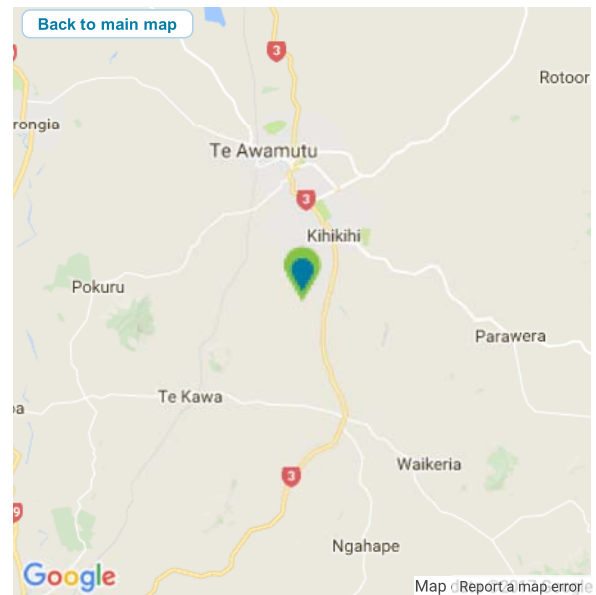
The project will reintroduce plant species that historically provided food for people as well as habitat for wetland fish and birds. Species that support rongoā (traditional medicine), mahinga kai (traditional food) and toi māori (traditional art) have been selected to create a seed source for other local wetland restoration projects.

Specific project goals are as follows:

- The landowner(s) will retire 3.5ha of the wetland gully
- The landowner(s) will exclude 100 percent of stock from the wetland and puna
- Waikato Regional Council will remove one hundred percent of broadleaf privet within the wetland
- Pūniu River Care will drill and inject herbicide into eighty percent of crack willow within the wetland
- Pūniu River Care will have propagated 33,000 native plants for the wetland
- Pūniu River Care and Waikato Regional Council will provide ongoing weed control within the wetland.

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