

Lake Horowhenua, Levin

# Porirua ki Manawatū Pānui

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#### Tēnā koutou katoa

Welcome to the second issue of the Wai 2200: Porirua ki Manawatū (PkM) district inquiry pānui.

Last year, 2015, was an eventful year for the inquiry: the last of five Ngā Kōrero Tuku Iho hui was held at Whakarongotai Marae in Waikanae, the Muaūpoko research programme was completed and ten research hui were held throughout the district for various research reports. The year concluded with three hearing weeks for the prioritised Muaūpoko claims.

The PkM inquiry team has also seen a number of changes with the departure of report writer Paul Husbands and claims co-ordinators Mema Tuigamala and Sam Sygrove. We welcome our new claims co-ordinator, Jay Cameron-Hamiora and historian (Tribunal Reports), Richard Towers, in this issue.

Please feel free to contact us if you have any questions relating to the facilitation of the inquiry. Our contacts details can be found on page 6.

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## Muaūpoko Expedited Hearings

On 28 November 2013 the Tribunal received an for application urgency challenging Muaūpoko Tribal Authority's mandate for settlement negotiations. On 10 June 2014 the issued directions declining application (Wai 2200, #2.8.1) but did accord Muaūpoko claimants priority in the Wai 2200 Porirua ki Manawatū inquiry. Following the completion of Muaūpoko-specific research (see p3 of this pānui), three weeks of hearings took place in the last quarter of 2015.

The first (5-9 Oct, 2015) and second (23-27 November, 2015) hearing weeks were held at the Horowhenua Events Centre, Levin. A mix of tangata whenua and technical witnesses were heard during these weeks.

During the second week of hearings the Tribunal panel undertook an informal visit to sites of significance in the Levin area including Hokio Beach, the Hokio stream and Lake Horowhenua. The final hearing week (14-16 December, 2015) was held at the Waitangi Tribunal offices in Wellington. Technical witnesses Dr Grant Young,

Mr David Armstrong and Dr Garth Cant were heard on their research reports during these three days and covered topics relating to deforestation and land alienation. Mr Armstrong's selection of reports considered numerous 'special factors' within the rohe including the Hapuakorari Reserve, the Hokio Native Township, Lake Horowhenua and Muaūpoko interests outside the Horowhenua Block.

We extend thanks to counsel and claimants for their hard work over the last six months. The expedited hearings were a success and your efforts contributed to a smooth and robust process.

Report writing for Muaūpoko is now underway. A timetable for closing submissions is set out below.



**Public Gallery,** Horowhenua Events Centre, Levin Hearing Week 2, Day 4, 26 November 2015

### **Muaūpoko Closing Submissions**

Milestone	Timing	Filing Date
Claimant counsel and unrepresented claimants file closing submissions in writing	Seven weeks after final Muaūpoko hearing week	Midday, Friday 12 February 2016
Crown counsel file closing submissions	20 working days after receipt of claimant closing submissions	Midday, Friday 11 March 2016
Claimant counsel and unrepresented claimants file submissions in reply	10 working days after receipt of Crown closing submissions	Midday, Tuesday 29 March 2016

# An update on the Porirua ki Manawatū research programme

Last year, 2015, was a busy year for Waitangi Tribunal staff and commissioned researchers. The following research projects have been completed in the last year and can be downloaded from the Waitangi Tribunal's website:

- Dr Terry Hearn, 'One past, many histories: tribal land and politics in the nineteenth century', an overview report on nineteenth century Crown–Māori relations concerning land and politics in the Porirua ki Manawatū district, June 2015 (Wai 2200, #A152).
- A research aid to the Rangitikei-Manawatū nineteenth-century purchase (MA 13) files, filed July 2015, prepared by staff of the Research and Inquiry Facilitation section of the Waitangi Tribunal Unit (Wai 2200, #A159). For more information on how to get the most out of this resource, see page 5.
- Muaūpoko-specific research projects commissioned by the Waitangi Tribunal:
  - Mr Paul Hamer "A Tangled Skein": Lake Horowhenua, Muaūpoko, and the Crown, 1898-2000', a research report on Muaūpoko claim issues relating to Lake Horowhenua, June 2015 (Wai 2200, #A150)
  - Mr Louis Chase, 'Muaupoko Oral Evidence and Traditional History report', August 2015
     (Wai 2200, #A160)
  - Ms Jane Luiten with Kesaia Walker, 'Muaupoko Land Alienation and Political Engagement Report', August 2015 (Wai 2200, #A163)
- Mr Tony Walzl, 'Ngatiawa / Te Ati Awa Research Needs Scoping Report', January 2016 (Wai 2200, #A186)

We wish to extend our appreciation to all of the researchers who worked tirelessly on their commissions in order to support the Porirua ki Manawatū district inquiry.

#### CFRT research projects for the Porirua ki Manawatū district inquiry

The Crown Forestry Rental Trust (CFRT) has been similarly busy contracting researchers for the Porirua ki Manawatū district inquiry research programme. CFRT's most recent quarterly research update was filed in October 2015 (Wai 2200, #6.2.52). The next quarterly research update will be due on 12 February 2016 and will be distributed via the Porirua ki Manawatū distribution list.

For more information on the inquiry research programme, go to: http://www.justice.govt.nz/tribunals/waitangi-tribunal/inquiries/district-inquiries/porirua-ki-manawatu

## Quick tip: The MA13 Files

The MA13 files are a collection of 19<sup>th</sup> century Native Office files that concern Māori land issues relevant to the Rangitīkei-Manawatū purchase completed in December 1866. This purchase has been identified as a key event in the history of the Porirua ki Manawatū inquiry district and the MA13 files are an excellent resource for claimants and researchers.

The files contain official records on a variety of Crown-Māori political engagement and land issues. These 'special files' were originally registered and indexed into the Native Office 19th century registration system. Tribunal staff have since prepared a research aid to assist claimants and researchers in accessing and using these files.

Interested parties are encouraged to use the MA13 files. Please email <u>WT\_Requests@justice.govt.nz</u> and request a copy of the MA13 index and files (Wai 2200, #A159 and appendices) to be sent to you on disc.

# Quick tip: Accessing documents via our website

Waitangi Tribunal staff receive numerous requests for inquiry documents and while we are always happy to assist, there is a quicker and easier way for claimants and counsel to find documents whenever they need them.

Most of the documents that have been officially distributed and added to the Wai 2200 Record of Inquiry can be found on our website. The documents are available for download in pdf format: <a href="http://www.justice.govt.nz/tribunals/waitangi-tribunal">http://www.justice.govt.nz/tribunals/waitangi-tribunal</a>

For larger documents, email <u>WT\_Requests@justice.govt.nz</u>

The **Search inquiries** on the homepage link will take you to the search engine for inquiry documents. Select **2200** in the **Wai Number** drop down box and enter further search criteria accordingly.

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  research reports, directions, and
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### Porirua ki Manawatū Tribunal



Deputy Chief Judge Caren Fox (Ngāti Porou) was appointed to both the Māori Land Court and the Waitangi Tribunal in 2000. She has been a presiding officer for the aquaculture claims, the Te Arawa mandate and settlement claims, the Haane Manahi claim, the Central North Island stage 1 claims, the Kōhanga Reo National Trust claim and the New Zealand Maori Council and Maori Wardens claims. At the time she was first appointed to the Māori Land Court in 2000, Judge Fox was one of only two women appointed to the Land Court since 1862.



Emeritus Professor Sir Tamati Reedy (Ngāti Porou) was a Fulbright Scholar serving as Associate Professor at the University of Alabama from 1982 to 1983. He was the chief executive and secretary of the Department of Māori Affairs from 1983 to 1989 and was awarded the 1990 New Zealand Medal for public service. Sir Tamati was a Dean at Waikato University. He was appointed to the Tribunal in 2010, and was knighted in 2011. Sir Tamati is interested in his mokopuna and tennis, and was a Māori All Black in the 1960s.



The Honourable Sir Douglas Kidd grew up in the Horowhenua and studied law at Victoria University. Sir Doug was a solicitor and practicing partner at Wisheart Macnab and Partners for 15 years. He was elected as a Member of Parliament in 1978, and has managed numerous portfolios. Sir Doug was made Speaker of the House in 1996, became a Distinguished Companion of the New Zealand Order of Merit in 2000, and was appointed to the Tribunal in 2004.



Grant Phillipson is an historian with a wealth of experience in Treaty history and Tribunal processes. He has been a commissioned researcher, research manager and Chief Historian at the Waitangi Tribunal, and has contributed reports to district inquiries including Te Tau Ihu o te Waka a Māui (northern South Island) and Rekohu (Chatham Islands). Dr Grant has published numerous papers about New Zealand history and was appointed to the Tribunal in 2010.



Tania Simpson (Tainui, Ngā Puhi, Ngāi Tahu) grew up in Te Kuiti and is the CEO of Māori development company Kōwhai Consulting. She has sat on several boards including Mighty River Power and AgResearch Ltd, and is the first Māori woman to be appointed to the board of the Reserve Bank. Tania has a Bachelor of Arts in Māori from Waikato University and a Master of Mātauranga Māori from Te Wānanga o Raukawa. Tania was appointed to the Tribunal in 2008.

## Waitangi Tribunal Staff Update

In 2015 the Porirua ki Manawatū team were sad to say goodbye to Assistant Registrar, Erandi Rangamuwa, claims co-ordinators, Tumema (Mema) Tuigamala and Sam Sygrove and report writer, Paul Husbands. In late 2015 we were joined by Jay Cameron-Hamiora (Claims Co-ordinator), Richard Towers (Report Writer) and Emma Powell (Research Analyst/Inquiry Facilitator).

Andrew Francis	Senior Research Analyst/Inquiry Supervisor	Andrew 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.  04 914 3076   Andrew.Francis@justice.govt.nz	
Emma Powell	Research Analyst / Inquiry Facilitator	Emma is responsible for the day-to-day aspects of the inquiry, planning Tribunal events, and project managing commissioned research. Emma is the central point for liaison on procedural and evidential matters between the Tribunal and external parties. She will draft and prepare documents, provide advice on inquiry matters, and provide analytical support at judicial conferences and hearings.  O4 471 4920   Emma.Powell@justice.govt.nz	
Jay Cameron- Hamiora	Claims Co-ordinator	Jay is responsible for the organisation and management of inquiry events, the preparation and distribution of documents, and the maintenance of the record of inquiry. He is the primary liaison for administrative and event management matters between the Tribunal and external parties.	
Richard Towers	Historian (Tribunal Reports)	Richard is focused on the future report. He attends hearings to assist the Tribunal with the interpretation of evidence, and takes notes on important points for report writing. Richard's post-hearing work includes analysing and providing advice on evidence presented to the Tribunal; drafting sections of the report; planning report writing projects; and co-ordinating final report production.	