

Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi Incorporated Staff Profile

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Ngaio Tiuka

Ko Mataatua te waka
Ko Mataatua, ko Te Kuhatarewa ngā marae
Ko Te Whai a te Motu, ko te Poho o Hinekura Ruapani ngā whare tipuna
Ko Te Urewera, ko Ngāti Hinekura ngā hapū
Ko Whakatāne te awa
Ko Waikaremoana te wai kaukau a ōku matua tipuna
Ko Manawaru, Huiarau, Tarapounamu me Maungapohatu aku Maunga
karangaranga
Ko Tūhoe, Ko Ruapani ngā iwi
Ko au he toenga nō rātau ma.

Born and raised in Hastings and educated at Te Aute College, Ngaio graduated from Victoria University in 2002, with a Bachelor of Science, majoring in Environmental Studies and Geography, tailoring his studies towards his interest in natural resource management for Māori.

Ngaio spent over 6 years working for Statistics New Zealand in a range of subject matter areas, initially in the Māori Statistics Unit, exploring existing statistics about Māori and developing information of more use and relevance for Māori, particularly in the environmental field. Ngaio then joined the environment team where he analyzed and reported on energy and forestry statistics. From there Ngaio joined the National Accounts Division, analyzing the nation's industry and commodity statistics to produce figures that contributed towards national economic information such as the National Gross Domestic Product (GDP). Prior to his new role Ngaio spent a year working at the Takitimu Maori Land Court, registering land titles with Land Information New Zealand.

Ngaio enjoys growing his own kai, diving, hunting (but, does not profess to be a master) and rugby league. He is also interested in current events and politics. He is thrilled to be back working for his people in an area of huge interest and importance to himself and his whānau.