



Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi
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“The mauri of the Tukituki has been acknowledged by the Board of Inquiry”

Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi Incorporated is pleased that the mauri of the Tukituki and Papatuanuku has been acknowledged by the Board of Inquiry on the Tukituki Catchment Proposal (Ruatanuiwha Dam) through their direction to apply greater protection measures to the water quality standards than those proposed by Hawke’s Bay Regional Council.

Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi Incorporated would like to acknowledge all marae, hapū, industry and environmental groups who we have worked shoulder to shoulder during this process.

The HBRC placed significant emphasis on the proposed single nutrient management regime. The Board has rejected that nutrient scheme and emphasised significantly stronger environmental protections. The HBRC will be required to look very hard at the viability of the over-all scheme in light of the Board’s findings today.

We remain committed to working with Hawke’s Bay Regional Council to promote the mauri of our waterways, the sustainability of our natural resources and the kaitiakitanga of our hapū within the Ngāti Kahungunu rohe for future generations.

Ngāti Kahungunu will consider the full implications of the Board’s findings over the course of the next two weeks, and where necessary provide any feedback to the Board.

Iwi Chairman Ngahiwi Tomoana said, “Ngāti Kahungunu are pleased that all those submitters who have fought to protect and enhance the Tukituki and Papatuanuku can breathe a little easier, for now.”

Ngāti Kahungunu is the third largest iwi. Geographically the tribe has the second longest coastline in the country from Paritū in the North to Turakirae in the South. Ngāti Kahungunu Iwi Incorporated maintains an independent position to provide research, advice and advocate for the interests, rights, values, beliefs and practices of Ngāti Kahungunu alongside our whānau and hapū. Our mission is to enhance the mana and well-being of Ngāti Kahungunu.

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