

Te Atiawa (Whanganui a Tara) Fisheries Report 6 September 2005

Executive Report

The first meeting of the Steering Group occurred on 17 August 2005. The purpose of the meeting was to begin the process of establishing a Representative Iwi Organization (RIO) to ensure that Te Atiawa was in a position to receive and benefit from their fisheries allocation.

Those attending represented tribal interest and the three marae, Te Tatau o Te Po, Pipitea and Waiwhetu. Membership included: Wirangi Luke, Ngatata Love, Toa Pomare, Bill Nathan, Neville Bake, Catherine Love, Johnny Warren, Wayne Mulligan and Morrie Love. A presentation on TOKM requirements was provided by Lorraine Skiffington and Tim Brown (independent facilitators).

Working Party Established

Agreement was made by the Steering Group to establish a small Working Party. The Working Party membership is: Bill Nathan, Johnny Warren, Wayne Mulligan and Kara Puketapu along with Lorraine and Tim. To ensure that the work programme maintains momentum to meet key deadlines over the next 6 months the Working Party has agreed to meet and communicates on a regular basis.

The Working Party was given the responsibility to prepare a plan, which is central to complying with TOKM requirements, leading the process of confirming (RIO) status and progressing to a mandated iwi organization (MIO) and reporting regularly to the full working party. The first meeting of the Working Party met on the 24 August 2005. The following documents were circulated and discussed. (Documents attached)

1. Deed Mandated Iwi Organisation Document (TOKM);
2. Asset Holding Company – Constitution (TOKM);
3. Assessment Programme (TOKM).

Plan

A plan was developed and endorsed by the Working Party. The plan has two phases, and the high level work programme is outlined.

Establishing a RIO by mid October

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Establish Trust• Appoint Trustees 9 term 1.5 years• Proceed with coastline agreement(s) including harbours, confirm population and coastline calculations with TOKM• Submit RIO documents to TOKM for approval	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Agree on name• Draft Trust documents• Construct iwi register to meet RIO requirements- drawing on TUHONO and existing records• RIO approval hui all by mid October receive ACE
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Proceed to MIO status October- April

<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Develop full iwi register to meet MIO requirements• Ratification of MIO• Submission of MIO documents to TOKM for assessment and approval	<ul style="list-style-type: none">• Set up full corporate entities, asset holding company and other enterprises• Mandating hui March 2006• Communication strategy – 10 September hui.
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A presentation report was prepared by the sub-team. This outlined the plan and also the separation of governance and management (presentation attached).

Other key factors in the presentation are:

- Powers, Roles and Responsibilities of Foundation Trustees;
- Human Resource Management;
- Reporting Responsibilities;
- Strategic Governance
- Trustee Core Professional Competencies and Duties including the need for balance of gender and age across the composition of Trustees and addressing succession planning.

Summary

Following the Steering Committee meeting the Working Party developed a plan to comply with TOKM requirements. The plan has two phases, achieving an RIO status in October and achieving an MOI status March/April 2006. There are two important factors that should be to the forefront, these are: there is a requirement for a new democratic iwi organization that must be mandated. Secondly, the mandate team should have a balance of competencies and plan for succession, age and gender.