
Te Waiora Iwi Partnerships

Te Mahi Ngātahi me Ngā Iwi



Te Waiora

Joint institute for freshwater management

NIWA and the University of Waikato have freshwater science research capabilities and facilities. We have established a joint institute for freshwater management "Te Waiora" to build a partnership to promote world-class research and management outcomes, and postgraduate education.

Te Waiora seeks to increase freshwater research outputs and management capability, and enhance outcomes with environmental, cultural, social and economic benefits. To do this we build regional and national partnerships, in particular with iwi, and leverage strategic international collaborations.

Vision

The joint institute provides the expertise, cross-institutional linkages, multi-disciplinary initiatives, training and societal engagement to enable sustainable freshwater management practices nationally and internationally.

Mission

The overriding mission of the joint institute is to undertake research and increase capability across a wide range of disciplines relevant to freshwater management to lift the quality of freshwater decision-making and outcomes for New Zealand and internationally.



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Pūtahi tōrua hei tiaki i te wai māori

He pūkenga, he wāhi hoki ō NIWA, ō Te Whare Wānanga o Waikato anō hoki hei rangahau i te taha pūtaiao o te wai māori. Kua whakatūria e mātou tētehi pūtahi tōrua hei tiaki i te wai māori e kīia nei ko “Te Waiora” hei whakatupu i te mahi ngātahitanga, hei whakatairanga i te rangahau kairangi rawa atu me ngā putanga kaitiakitanga, tae atu ki te mātauranga mō ngā tauira kua whai tohu paetahi.

E whai ana a Te Waiora kia whakanuitia ake ngā putanga rangahau wai māori me te kaha i roto i te kaitiakitanga, kia whakapikihia te kounga o ngā putanga e whai painga ana ā-taiao, ā-tikanga, ā-pāpori, ā-ōhanga hoki. E tutuki ai tēnei, whakatupu ai mātou i ngā mahi ngātahitanga ā-rohe, ā-motu hoki, otirā, ā-iwi tonu, ka whai kia nui ngā hua o te mahi ngātahi ki ētehi rōpū nō tāwāhi kua āta whakaritea.

Te whakakitenga

E whakaputa ana te pūtahi tōrua i te mātauranga, i ngā hononga ā-rōpū whakahaere, i ngā kaupapa tuitui i ngā momo mātauranga, i te whakangungutanga me ngā pāhekohekotanga ā-hapori hei hāpai i ngā tikanga tiaki i te wai māori kia toitū i te motu whānui, i te ao whānui hoki.

Te whāinga

Ko te whāinga matua a te pūtahi tōrua, ko te mahi rangahau me te whakapiki i te kaha i roto i te whānuitanga o ngā momo mātauranga e hāngai ana ki te tiaki i te wai māori, hei whakapiki i te kounga o ngā huarahi whakatau i ngā kaupapa wai māori me ngā putanga ki Aotearoa, ki te ao whānui hoki.



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Iwi partnerships

NIWA and the University of Waikato value our relationships with iwi and have a strong desire to involve iwi in the joint institute. Iwi have shown leadership in freshwater management throughout New Zealand through their treaty settlements to restore and protect the health and wellbeing of waterways and through their co-governance and co-management relationships. We engaged with iwi during the establishment phase of the joint institute to co-develop the operational iwi engagement principles and iwi freshwater research priorities outlined within the iwi partnerships document.

The iwi engagement principles and priorities will be embedded within the goals of the joint institute, and will

be used to assist in its establishment and the development of its strategic direction. The joint institute will in good-faith, use its best endeavours to operationalise the iwi engagement principles and partner with iwi to achieve their freshwater research priorities.

We also engaged with iwi to gain their support and input, to establish an inaugural Mātauranga Wai Chair within the joint institute. The Mātauranga Wai Chair will promote mātauranga Māori and assist in achieving the iwi's freshwater research priorities.

The iwi partnerships document is dynamic, living and evolving; and should be viewed and used in a way that builds a mutually beneficial partnership between the joint institute and iwi.

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Te Waiora

Pūtahi tōrua hei tiaki i te wai māori

Te mahi ngātahi me ngā iwi

He mea nui ki a NIWA me Te Whare Wānanga o Waikato ō mātou hononga ki ngā iwi, waihoki he nui tō mātou hiahia kia whai wāhi mai ngā iwi ki te pūtahi tōrua. Kua tū ngā iwi hei kaiarataki i ngā mahi tiaki i te wai māori puta noa i Aotearoa i roto i ā rātou whakataunga tiriti ki te haumanu, ki te tiaki hoki i te oranga o ngā arawai, i roto anō hoki i ō rātou hononga hei hoa-hautū, hei hoa-whakahaere hoki. I hono atu mātou ki ngā iwi i te wā o te whakatūnga o te pūtahi tōrua hei whakawhanake ngātahi i ngā mātāpono e pā ana ki ngā tikanga ārahi i te pāhekohekotanga ki ngā iwi, i ngā kaupapa rangahau mātāmua a ngā iwi e pā ana ki te wai māori e takoto ana i tēnei puka mō te mahi ngātahi me ngā iwi.

Ka whakatōkia ngā mātāpono o te iwi e pā ana ki te pāhekohekotanga me ngā kaupapa mātāmua ki roto ki ngā whāinga o te pūtahi tōrua, ā, ka whāia ērā hei āwhina i tōna

whakatūnga, i te whanaketanga hoki o tōna ahunga rautaki. Ka āta whai te pūtahi tōrua, i runga i te pono, ki te whakatinana i ngā mātāpono e pā ana ki te pāhekohekotanga ki ngā iwi, ki te hono hoki ki ngā iwi ki te whakatutuki i ā rātou kaupapa rangahau mātāmua e pā ana ki te wai Māori.

I pāhekoheko atu anō hoki mātou ki ngā iwi kia tautoko mai rātou, kia whai wāhi mai hoki rātou ki te whakatū i tētehi tumu mātauranga wai i roto i te pūtahi tōrua. Mā te tumu mātauranga wai hei whakatairanga te mātauranga māori, hei āwhina hoki ki te whakatutuki i ngā kaupapa rangahau mātāmua a ngā iwi e pā ana ki te wai Māori.

He mauri ora tō te puka nei e pā ana ki te mahi ngātahi me ngā iwi. Ka huri, ka kōpikopiko i roto i te wā, nō reira me pēnei te tirohia ōna me te whakamahia ōna e tupu ai tētehi hononga e whai hua ana ki te pūtahi tōrua me ngā iwi.

Ngā mihi

Ki konei mihia ai e NIWA me Te Whare Wānanga o Waikato:

- ngā iwi kua āwhina mai i te whanake ngātahitanga o ngā mātāpono e pā ana ki te pāhekohekotanga ki ngā iwi me ngā kaupapa mātāmua; me tā rātou tautoko ki te whakatū i te tumu mātauranga wai
- Te Mana Whakahaere i te Awa o Waikato, mōna i tautoko i ngā mahi pāhekoheko ki ngā iwi o te awa
- a Pānia Papa, mōna i whakamāori i ngā kōrero.



Operational iwi engagement principles

Overarching goal

A strong, mutually beneficial partnership, where positive freshwater management outcomes are being achieved.

To achieve the overarching goal, the joint institute will:

1. Partner with iwi to enable the achievement of the joint institute's mātauranga māori and iwi freshwater research priorities
2. Encourage collaboration and co-design of freshwater management research with iwi, including appropriately acknowledging an iwi's contribution to that research
3. Facilitate internship and scholarship opportunities within the institute as a pathway for iwi māori into freshwater management
4. Engage directly with iwi and consider their iwi management plans when undertaking specific research within the rohe of an iwi
5. Support information sharing between the joint institute and iwi
6. Involve iwi researchers in the joint institute's freshwater research, including the delivery of that research
7. Ensure open transparent communication and a no surprises approach in its relationship with iwi
8. Contribute to increasing iwi's and the joint institute's knowledge and capacity in freshwater management
9. Enhance and value relationships and trust between iwi and the joint institute by assisting each other to respond to freshwater issues
10. Respect and acknowledge the existing relationships that iwi have with NIWA and the University of Waikato, including their autonomy to engage individually or collectively with the joint institute, NIWA, the University of Waikato in freshwater research.





Ngā mātāpono e pā ana ki te mahi ngātahi me ngā iwi ka uru ki roto ki ngā whakahaere

Te whāinga tāhuhu

Kia pakari te hononga, kia whai hua ngā taha e rua, e tutuki ai ngā putanga pai e pā ana ki te tiaki i te wai Māori

E tutuki ai te whāinga tāhuhu, mā te pūtahi tōrua hei:

1. mahi ngātahi me ngā iwi e tutuki ai ā te pūtahi tōrua kaupapa rangahau mātāmua e pā ana ki te mātauranga māori me ā ngā iwi e pā ana ki te wai māori
2. akiaki te mahi ngātahitanga me te waihanga ngātahitanga o te rangahau e pā ana ki te tiaki i te wai māori i te taha o ngā iwi, me te whai kia tika te whakanui i te whai wāhitanga a te iwi ki taua rangahau
3. whakawātea ngā huarahi whai wheako hei pia, ngā huarahi whai karahipi hoki o roto i te pūtahi hei takahi mā ngā iwi māori e uru ai rātou ki roto i ngā mahi tiaki i te wai Māori
4. pāhekoheko tōtika atu ki ngā iwi, ki te whai whakaaro hoki ki ā rātou mahere whakahaere ā-iwi, nō mātou e rangahau ana i tētehi kaupapa whāiti i roto i te rohe o taua iwi
5. tautoko te tiringa o ngā kōrero i waenga i te pūtahi tōrua me ngā iwi
6. whakarite kia whai wāhi mai ngā kairangahau o ngā iwi ki ngā rangahau a te pūtahi tōrua e pā ana ki te wai māori, tae atu hoki ki te whakaputanga o taua rangahau
7. āta whakarite kia tuwhera, kia rere noa hoki ngā whakawhitinga kōrero, i runga i te whakaaro kia kua tētehi taha e ohorere, i tana hononga ki ngā iwi
8. āwhina te whakapikinga o te mātauranga me te kaha o ngā iwi me te pūtahi tōrua ki te tiaki i te wai Māori
9. whakapakari ake, hei uara anō ngā hononga me te mahi i runga i te whakapono i waenga i ngā iwi me te pūtahi tōrua, mā te āwhina a tētehi i tētehi ki te whakatau i ngā take e pā ana ki te wai Māori
10. whai whakaaro, hei whakanui hoki ngā hononga kua whakaritea kētia i waenga i ngā iwi me NIWA me Te Whare Wānanga o Waikato, tae atu ki tō rātou mana motuhake ki te pāhekoheko takitahi mai, ki te haere tōpū mai rānei ki te pūtahi tōrua, ki a NIWA, ki Te Whare Wānanga o Waikato hoki ki te rangahau i te wai Māori.

Iwi freshwater research priorities

Overarching iwi priority

Partnering in freshwater management research that will enable the achievement of environmental, cultural, social and economic freshwater goals and aspirations of iwi

Environmental priorities

Freshwater management research that will enable:

- The restoration, protection and maintenance of the health and wellbeing of freshwater bodies with iwi
- The achievement of treaty settlement principles pertaining to freshwater; including the vision and strategy for the Waikato River
- The successful funding, delivery and completion of iwi freshwater projects and restoration strategies
- The effective achievement of the freshwater objectives and policies within iwi management plans.

Cultural priorities

Freshwater management research that will enable:

- The development and implementation of a mātauranga Māori tool or model with iwi that is unique and specific to their waterways. The tool or model will seek to improve the understanding and ongoing use of mātauranga māori in freshwater management
- Freshwater taonga species to be healthy and abundant for whānau, marae and hapū

- The protection and recognition of iwi freshwater sites of significance and their importance
- The recognition and provision of iwi rights and interests to enable an enduring and sustainable framework for the management of freshwater
- The protection and undertaking of customary activities and practices in and around waterways.

Social priorities

Freshwater management research that will enable:

- The advancement of freshwater tribal development opportunities and capability of iwi in the areas of science, education and employment pathways
- Improved access to, and experience and use of freshwater to promote positive connections between the health and wellbeing of waterways and the health and wellbeing of people.

Economic priorities

Freshwater management research that will enable:

- The enhancement and sustainable prosperity of iwi's economic asset base and the Māori economy
- The development of iwi freshwater innovation and entrepreneurial capability and the attraction of investment
- Water allocation and use mechanisms to provide for iwi development interests.

Ngā kaupapa rangahau mātāmua a ngā iwi e pā ana ki te wai māori

Te kaupapa mātāmua a ngā iwi

Ko te mahi tahi i roto i ngā rangahau e pā ana ki te tiaki i te wai Māori e tutuki ai ngā whāinga me ngā manako ā-taiao, ā-tikanga, ā-pāpori, ā-ōhanga hoki o ngā iwi e pā ana ki te wai Māori

Ngā pou taiao

Te rangahau i te tiakanga o te wai māori e taea ai:

- Te haumanutanga, te tiakanga me te whakaūnga o te ora me te mauri o ngā wai māori i te taha o ngā iwi
- Te whakatutukihanga o ngā mātāpono i roto i ngā whakataunga tiriti e pā ana ki te wai māori, tae atu ki te ture whaimana o te Awa o Waikato
- Te tuku pūtea, te whakaputa me te whakatutuki ngā kaupapa ā-iwi e pā ana ki te wai māori me ngā rautaki haumanu
- Te whakatutukihanga me te whai hua anō o ngā whāinga me ngā kaupapa here mō te wai māori kei roto i ngā mahere whakahaere a ngā iwi.

Ngā pou tikanga

Te rangahau i te tiakanga o te wai māori e taea ai:

- Te whanaketanga me te whakatinanatanga o tētehi rauemi mātauranga māori, o tētehi tauira rānei, i te taha o ngā iwi, e motuhake ana, e hāngai pū ana hoki ki ō rātou arawai. Ka whai te rauemi, te tauira rānei ki te whakapai ake i te māramatanga ki te mātauranga Māori me te whakamahinga tonutanga ōna i roto i ngā mahi tiaki i te wai Māori

- Te tupuranga o te ora me te ranea o ngā momo koiara o ngā wai māori hei oranga mō ngā whānau, mō ngā marae me ngā hapū
- Te tiakanga me te whakaūnga o te mana o ngā wāhi tūpuna o ngā iwi kei reira te wai Māori me te hiranga o aua wāhi
- Te whakaūnga me te whakaritenga o ngā mana ā-iwi me ngā pānga, e hua ai tētehi anga pūmau, e mauroa ana hoki mō te tiakanga o te wai Māori
- Te tiakanga me te mahinga o ngā tikanga tuku iho i roto i ngā awa, i ngā tahataha anō hoki o ngā awa.

Ngā pou hapori

Te rangahau i te tiakanga o te wai Māori e taea ai:

- Te neke whakamuatanga o ngā kaupapa whakawhanake ā-iwi e pā ana ki te wai māori me te kaha o ngā iwi i roto i ngā kaupapa o te pūtaiao, o te mātauranga me te whai mahi
- Te whai wāhi atu ki te wai māori, otirā ka wātea ake ngā huarahi ki reira; te whai wheako me te whakamahi i te wai māori hei whakatairanga i ngā hononga whai hua i waenga i te ora me te mauri o ngā awa me te ora me te mauri o te iwi.

Ngā pou whai rawa

Te rangahau i te tiakanga o te wai māori e taea ai:

- Te whakawhānuitanga me te pūmau o te whai rawa o te putunga rawa ā-ōhanga o te iwi me te ōhanga Māori
- Te whanaketanga o ngā mahi auaha i ngā wai māori me te kaha ki te whakarite pakihi, waihoki te kukumetanga o te pūtea haumi
- Ngā tikanga toha wai, whakamahi wai hoki hei whakatutuki i ngā hiahia o ngā iwi kia whanake.



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