



He Mihi: Whakatau ki te Rangi, whakatau ki te Papa, whakatau I o Matua Kore I wharikihia ona manaakitanga ki runga I a matou, he mihi ka tika. He mihi hoki ki to tatou Kingi a Tuheitia otira te Whare Kahui Ariki katoa. Kei te tangi tonu ki a ratou ma kua haere kei tua o te arai. Na reira e nga mate haere, haere, haere. Haere hoki e te rangatira a Murdoch Pahi, tetahi mema o to matou poari. Na reira e te rangatira haere okioki ki te taha o to tatou matua nui I te rangi. Hoki mai ki a tatou nga kanohi ora, na reira e nga iwi, e nga reo, e nga karangamaha, tena koutou, tena koutou, tena tatou katoa.

Maraeroa A & B Blocks Settlement Update

We are pleased to advise that we have received an Offer of Settlement from the Crown. The Crown Offer of Settlement will now be presented to beneficiaries for their consideration and decision as to whether to accept or decline the offer at hui to be held shortly. Also to be presented for voting on will be the proposed "Post Settlement Governance Entity" (PSGE) to receive the settlement assets. Should the Crown Offer be accepted by registered beneficiaries at the Hui then Te Maru o Rereahu Trust will also be seeking a mandate at the hui to complete the Deed of Settlement for final ratification by beneficiaries. Included with this newsletter are summaries of the Crown Offer, the PSGE and Mandating process. Details will also be posted on our website.

What and where are the Maraeroa A & B Blocks

The Maraeroa block originally comprised some 47,000 acres and is located in the Pureora region of the Central North Island. The Block was partitioned by the Crown in 1891 into Maraeroa A, B & C Blocks. Maraeroa C comprising some 13,000 acres was left with the owners and is now managed by Maraeroa C Incorporation. Maraeroa A & B Blocks were taken by way of survey liens among other things and parts purchased by the Crown. Rereahu rangatira petitioned the Crown several times from 1891 to protest the partitioning as well as the errors made by the surveyors during surveying. There are some significant cultural sites in the Maraeroa A & B Blocks and include Rereahu's village site known as "Nga Herenga" and the Te Arero Pa site.

Who will benefit from the proposed Settlement ?

Descendants of the original owners noted on the Maori Land Court Owners Lists of 1886 & 1891 will benefit from the Maraeroa A & B Blocks Settlement. Simply request an owners list from the Maraeroa C offices at the address below. If one of your tupuna are on the list then you are eligible to register as a beneficiary of the new settlement entity to be established. The original owners list includes those of Rereahu, Matakore, Karewa, Maniapoto, Raukawa and Tuwharetoa descent. **Important: Please read attached Settlement Information**

Next Steps!

Please attend one of the five hui scheduled in August 2010 to consider and vote on the Crown Offer of Settlement, the proposed Post Governance Settlement Entity and the mandate for Te Maru o Rereahu Trust

Saturday, 21 August, 11.00am – 3pm Auckland University, Epsom Campus, Tutahi Tonu marae, Gate 3, 74 Epsom Ave, Epsom, Auckland

Sunday, 22 August, 11.00am – 3pm Tiroa House, 37-39 Taupiri Street. Te Kuiti

Wednesday, 25 August, 6pm – 9pm Te Mahau marae, Prince of Wales Drive, Waihi Pa, Tokaanu

Saturday, 28 August, 10.00am – 2pm Kokiri marae, 7-9 Barnes Street, Seaview, Lower Hutt

Sunday, 29 August, 11.00am – 3pm Pa Harakeke, 138 Maraeroa Road, Pureora