

Our Values

We are a Māori organisation part of the Te Ohu Kaimoana Group and operate in line with tikanga Māori. We all work to balance these core values:

- **Integrity**
- **Sustainability**
- **Leadership**

What We Are

We are part of the Māori Fisheries Settlement and were established to advance Māori interests in freshwater fisheries. Freshwater fisheries includes species, habitat, surrounding land, water column, water quality and quantity. Protecting Māori interests in freshwater fisheries ultimately means protecting habitat to ensure quality water and abundant species.

Our Purpose

To advance Māori interests in freshwater fisheries through :

- Undertaking or funding research, development and education;
- Promoting the protection and enhancement of freshwater fisheries habitat;
- Promoting the establishment of freshwater fisheries; and
- Using resources to bring direct and indirect benefits to Māori in respect of their freshwater fisheries interests.

The Outcomes We Work Towards

Advancing Māori interests in freshwater fisheries means:

- Increasing iwi and hapū capacity and capability in freshwater fisheries and their ability to control their freshwater fisheries.
- Fostering indigenous fisheries expertise, knowledge and understanding.
- Increasing the quality and range of information to iwi and hapū on freshwater fisheries and their interests thereof.
- Ensuring that the indigenous fisheries are well and can be enhanced.

We take a long term and integrated view of our organisational outcomes.

Roles - There are two broad roles that direct our organisational outcomes:

Activities required by the Māori Fisheries Act 2004:

- Govern the Te Wai Māori Trustee Limited on behalf of beneficiaries under the Deed of Settlement.
- Advance Māori interests in freshwater fisheries.

Activities which are required by iwi and hapū:

- Research, development and education in relation to freshwater fisheries and Māori interests and rights thereof;
- Establishing , promoting , protecting and enhancing freshwater fisheries;
- Freshwater fisheries policy work and associated representation (rights protection and enhancement) .

SUSTAINABILITY

Annual Outputs (2011-2012)

Iwi and hapū interests and rights in fresh water:

Strategic: Investigate options for gaining recognition of Maori rights and interests in freshwater

Freshwater fisheries development and advocacy:

Core Business: Influence government freshwater policy processes, development and reform to protect and enhance the fisheries settlement in respect of freshwater fisheries.

Business Improvement: Review and revise criteria for the establishment of a contestable fund to promote Maori interests in freshwater fisheries development, research and education.

Te Wai Maori is recognised as an active and valued contributor on freshwater issues for Maori

Strategic: Help foster an effective voice for iwi on government and industry policy as it affects freshwater fisheries and their habitats.

Governance and management:

Core Business: Increase awareness of role and work of Te Wai Māori (e.g. Website, communications). meet all statutory obligations as required (eg audits; annual reports); monitor investment portfolio; and continue to enhance directors skills.

Business Improvement: Enhance key relationships with iwi and hapu, Industry and Government organisations.

Enhance relationship and work closely with TOKM including governance-to-governance planning discussions.

Key Performance Indicators

•Advice on Maori rights and interests and options for giving them recognition received by September 2012

- Develop an analysis of the Land and Water Forum report by 30 Sept 2012
- Criteria for providing funding for development , research and education to promote Maori interests in freshwater fisheries are reviewed and revised by 30 Sept 2012.
- Hold a National or Regional Maori Hui on eels by 30 Sept 2012.
- Identify processes Wai Māori might use to assist iwi to implement their collective fisheries strategies as they relate to freshwater fisheries and their habitats.

- Update information and promote Te Wai Maori website.
- All statutory obligations have been met as required.

Budget

Rights and interests	90,000
Development and advocacy	30,000
Governance and management	77,000
TOTAL	\$197,000

LEADERSHIP