

Minute 12 of the Expert Panel

Taranaki VTM Project

Further Request for Information to Iwi and Hapu Participants

Response from Te Runanga o Ngāti Ruanui

Requested Information	Response	Comment	Appendix
Mana Whenua and Rohe	Our Rohe is supported by a Marine and Coastal Area (Takutai Moana) Act 2011 (MACA) Application	Our application relates to the entire Rohe coastline out to the 12 Nautical mile limit. There are small areas of cross claims with Iwi to the South (Ngā Rauru Kīhahi) and Ngaruahine Iwi hapu applicants to the north.	Appendix A MACA Application - Application by Te Runanga o Ngāti Ruanui Trust – For recognition orders pursuant to the Marine and Coastal Area (Takutai Moana) Act 2011 Affidavit of Nigel Nuku – supporting application Map - application area
Treaty Settlement Instruments	Ngāti Ruanui settled with the Crown in 2003.	Our Settlement details are contained in the list of information – Collation of Publicity Available documents. We hold a statutory Acknowledgement for our entire coastline. This acknowledgement clearly sets out our role of kaitiakitanga including our spiritual, cultural and physical connections with takutai	Appendix B Statutory Acknowledgement Coastline map

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Treaty Settlement Instruments	Ngāti Ruanui has a Fisheries Protocol	Protocol Issued by the Crown through the Minister of Fisheries and Chief Executive, Ministry of Fisheries regarding interaction with Ngāti Ruanui on Fisheries issues	Appendix C Deed of Settlement: Cultural Redress Schedule Part 1: Protocols: Fisheries Protocol
Iwi Management Plan, Hapu Environmental Plan, or PSGE planning document	Ngāti Ruanui completed an Environmental Management Plan in 2012. The plan has been lodged with Local Authorities, and they must have regard to it under ss 61 (2A) (a) 66(2A) (a) and 72(2A) of the Resource Management Act 1991	The Environmental Management Plan contains a specific section on coastal and marine environment and oil and minerals. These sections are supported with issue identification, objectives and policy positions including directions to local authorities.	Appendix D Ngāti Ruanui Environmental Management Plan – Coastal and Marine and Oil and Minerals section. Full copy has been provided as a separate attachment emailed directly to EPA.
Tikanga and Kaitiakitanga Practice	Kaitiakitanga and Tikanga practice are exercised through the following within the coastal area: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Formal Kaitiakitanga Group with the South Taranaki District Council and Fonterra – Discharge Consent – Ocean Outfall 2. Taranaki Regional Council RMA working groups which have included the Coastal Plan development 3. Ngāti Ruanui Protocol Department of Conservation 	Ngāti Ruanui provided details of our Tikanga and Kaitiakitanga Practice through the response to Minute 9. In summary we noted the following formal arrangements: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The Taranaki Regional Council formal partnership arrangements which were manifested in the development of the Regional Coastal Plan. 2. Development of a Whale Stranding Policy with the 	Appendix E Hawera Coastal Sampling Results

	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 4. Ngāti Ruanui Protocol Ministry of Business Innovation and Employment - Crown Owned Minerals 5. Partnership arrangements with the Crown (policy and codesign work). 6. Formal Partner with South Taranaki Ocean Reef Project (Project Reef) 7. Blue Whale research hui – Oregon State University 	<p>Department of Conservation.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. We operate a formal Kaitiakitanga Group (mandated through consent conditions) with the South Taranaki District Council and Fonterra in respect of the Ocean Outfall facility (operated by both). 4. We have an active relationship agreement with OMV and Beach Energy who operate offshore oil and gas platforms in the EEZ <p>We are an active participant in coastal environmental sampling with the Taranaki Regional Council for the ocean outfall consent. We have attached specific documentation relating to monitoring the sampling of our coastal reefs through this discharge consent. Further we have attached additional monitoring protocols for the outfall marine ecological surveys.</p> <p>We have been involved with Government Agencies in shaping</p>	
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		<p>Legislation and regulation relating to the EEZ Bill and recently the renewable energy provisions and in particular offshore wind energy interests.</p> <p>Our partnership arrangements with the oil and gas sector both offshore and onshore culminated in the recognition by the Crown with the publishing of the “Best Practice Guidelines for Engagement with Maori”</p>	
Customary Fisheries, Commercial Fisheries and Aquaculture	<p>Ngāti Ruanui holds commercial fishing interests, shares and quota through Ngāti Ruanui Fishing Limited.</p> <p>Ngāti Ruanui supports and adopts the submission of Ali Brooks.</p>	<p>The Māori Commercial Aquaculture Claims Settlement Act 2004 establishes a settlement that is unique in that it is prospective. Section 9 of the Act provides that iwi (via Te Ohu Kaimoana) must be provided with assets that are ‘representative of 20% of anticipated new space’ on a regional basis (i.e. based on regional council boundaries). Anticipated new space means the amount of space in the coastal marine area that the Minister responsible anticipates will become new space, i.e. will have resource consents for aquaculture granted. Iwi are therefore entitled to receive settlement assets under the Act in advance of new</p>	

		<p>aquaculture developments actually happening. The vehicle by which the Minister indicates the development that s/he anticipates will happen, region-by-region is a plan issued under s 14 of the Act and reviewed every 5 years under s 15. The initial plan was issued in August 2014 and did not anticipate any aquaculture being developed in the Taranaki region. Despite s 15, no review of the plan has yet been released. Ngāti Ruanui is not aware of any proposals for aquaculture development in the Taranaki region, but would be keen, in principle, to participate in any development that is consistent with its kaitiakitanga.</p>	
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