

Project Overview – WMF 01

Name of the Project	Prototype Project - 'Ngā Ngāhere Momona'
Name of the Applicant	Taitokerau Māori Forestry Collective Incorporated
Location of the Land Blocks	32,000 hectares of Māori Freehold Land within the Taitokerau Region
Long Term Aspirations	The project is part of a Māori led forestry strategy to create pathways across a Māori aspirational value chain. The Collective currently has a membership of Māori Trusts/Incorporations who collectively own over 32,000 ha of land in Taitokerau. The long-term aspiration for this project is for the Māori Trusts/Incorporations under the collective to actively own and manage the activities on their lands and to find suitable investors to support the replanting and new planting of all the underlying blocks into forest.
Project Description	The collective seeks to increase the productive use of Māori owned assets (at scale) and increase employment and skills in the region by trialling a prototype that attracts new investors through a secured supply. The prototype project aims to plant up to 813ha in exotic pine during the 2016 planting season.
Outcomes	The Collective vision statement "Kua oti to tatou Whare Whakairo" emphasises self-determination and self-reliance. The prototype project involves testing the planting process for Māori land owners who are new to the business of planting trees and managing forests. The Collective will capture the key learning's and information, report on the projects planting findings, model the process for planting and improve owner access to expertise and services. A skills development programme will be produced to support the future development of the remaining 'Collective' land into forest and move further up the value chain.
Members (Land Owners)	Te Hiku Iwi Development Trust, Te Ahuahu Trust, Te Puna Toopu o Hokianga Trust, Whakatere ki Koranui Trust, Ngati Hine Forestry Trust, Opapaki Trust, Te Hurihanga Farms, Te Uri o Hau Corporation
Partners	Te Puni Kōkiri, Ministry for Primary Industries, Te Runanga o Ngati Hine, NorthTec, Motatau Marae, Te Runanga o Ngai Takato, Waipapa Pine, Rosvall Sawmill, BDO Bay of Islands, Wright Partners, Westpac, Sustainable Forest Managment
Te Puni Kokiri Investment	\$266,00 (plus Gst)

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Collective Forestry Advisor, Ben Paraha (right) with one of the planters.



Land beneficiary and planting foreman, Maihi Tana

