

Investment Update: Cyclone Gabrielle Sediment and Debris Management and the removal of Woody Debris on Whenua Māori Funds 2023

Background

The following funding has been provided to assist the recovery of whenua Māori from Cyclone Gabrielle in Tairāwhiti and Hawke's Bay:

- **Sediment and Debris Management Fund:** \$30 million to help manage sediment and debris on Whenua Māori affected by Cyclone Gabrielle in Tairāwhiti and Hawke's Bay.
- **Woody Debris Fund:** \$2 million for short to medium term measures that limit the damage by further movement of woody debris from catchment systems on Whenua Māori affected by Cyclone Gabrielle in Tairāwhiti and the Hawke's Bay.

Sediment and Debris Management Fund

	Allocation	Committed	Proposals in development	Remaining
TOTAL	\$30.00m	\$4.217m	\$35.734m	-\$9.951m

Removal of Woody Debris Fund

	Allocation	Committed	Proposals in development	Remaining
TOTAL	\$2.00m	\$2.00m	\$0m	\$0m

Summary

- **Thirteen** projects to support the clean-up of whenua Māori have now been approved (with a combined value of **\$6.217m**). The largest contract value is **\$2.000m**. The average contract value is **\$0.478m**.
- **33%** of the applications approved involve whenua Māori that has particular cultural significance.
- **58%** of the applications approved are from a package or cluster of land blocks applying collectively.
- Demand for funding for sediment and debris management is strong, with **43** proposals in development (with a combined value of **\$35.734m**) and all allocated funds are expected to be committed as further proposals from collectives are expected in the future.
- The \$2m allocation for the removal of woody debris from whenua Māori has been committed. Engagement with landowners has identified significant unmet demand for funding support for the removal of woody debris.

Tairāwhiti

Projects Funded

Three Tairāwhiti projects have been approved this month through the Sediment and Debris Management Fund (a combined value of **\$0.274m**):

- The Proprietors of Waipiro A26B have been supported with **\$0.032m** to clean up silt and debris on three blocks under their administration at Opiki Station in Tairāwhiti, including Waipiro A26B3B1, Waipiro A26B3B2 and Waipiro A26C. This will include clearing the silt and debris from 15 dams, removing silt and debris from fencing and paddocks bordering the Waitaapi River.
- Haumako – Tara Limited Partnership have been supported with **\$0.022m** to obtain the necessary machinery (excavator hire), tools and resources to remove sediment and debris from their whenua.
- Whānau members have been supported with **\$0.220m** for land block Totaranui A3A (81.1 ha) near Ruatoria with hire of a bulldozer, 2 diggers, chainsaws and a dump truck to clear out silt, mud and debris, and to hire a ute and a 4x4 motorbike to enable access to parts of the land block currently cut-off due to the debris.

Proposals in Development

- The allocation for the management of woody debris in catchments on whenua Māori was fully committed in September.
- There are **22** proposals for the management of sediment and debris on whenua Māori currently in development, with an estimated combined value of **\$14.807m**. This includes **8** applications from Te Tumu Paeroa with a combined value of **\$11.80m**.

Hawke's Bay

Projects Funded

Three projects have been approved this month in Hawke's Bay through the Sediment and Debris Management Fund (a combined value of **\$1.285m**)

- Tangoio South Trust have been supported with **\$1.103m** to continue clean-up of silt and debris on blocks under its administration. Tangoio South Trust have also been supported to act as the umbrella entity for the clean-up of silt and debris on three whenua Māori land blocks within the Aropaoanui Valley including Aropaoanui 3B & 3F, Aropaoanui 3C and Aropaoanui 3E
- Taimoana Whānau Trust have been supported with **\$0.025m** to hire an excavator, tip trucks, and operators to clear out silt, mud, and debris from the land block and drains on their whenua.
- Hookmade Limited on behalf of Paeroa 2G1B5, Paeroa 2G1A1, Taumataoteo 32D1A, 32C2A and Te Rato 3E5A land blocks have been supported with **\$0.158m** to secure the necessary machinery, tools, and resources including labour, for the clean-up of approximately 4.3 ha of silt and debris impacted land, which will include clearing and flattening silt removing dead trees, waste and vehicles, clearing and salvage of fencing.

Proposals in Development

There are **19** proposals in development, with an estimated combined value of **\$12.181m**. This includes **3** applications from **Te Tumu Paeroa** with a combined value of \$4.20m.

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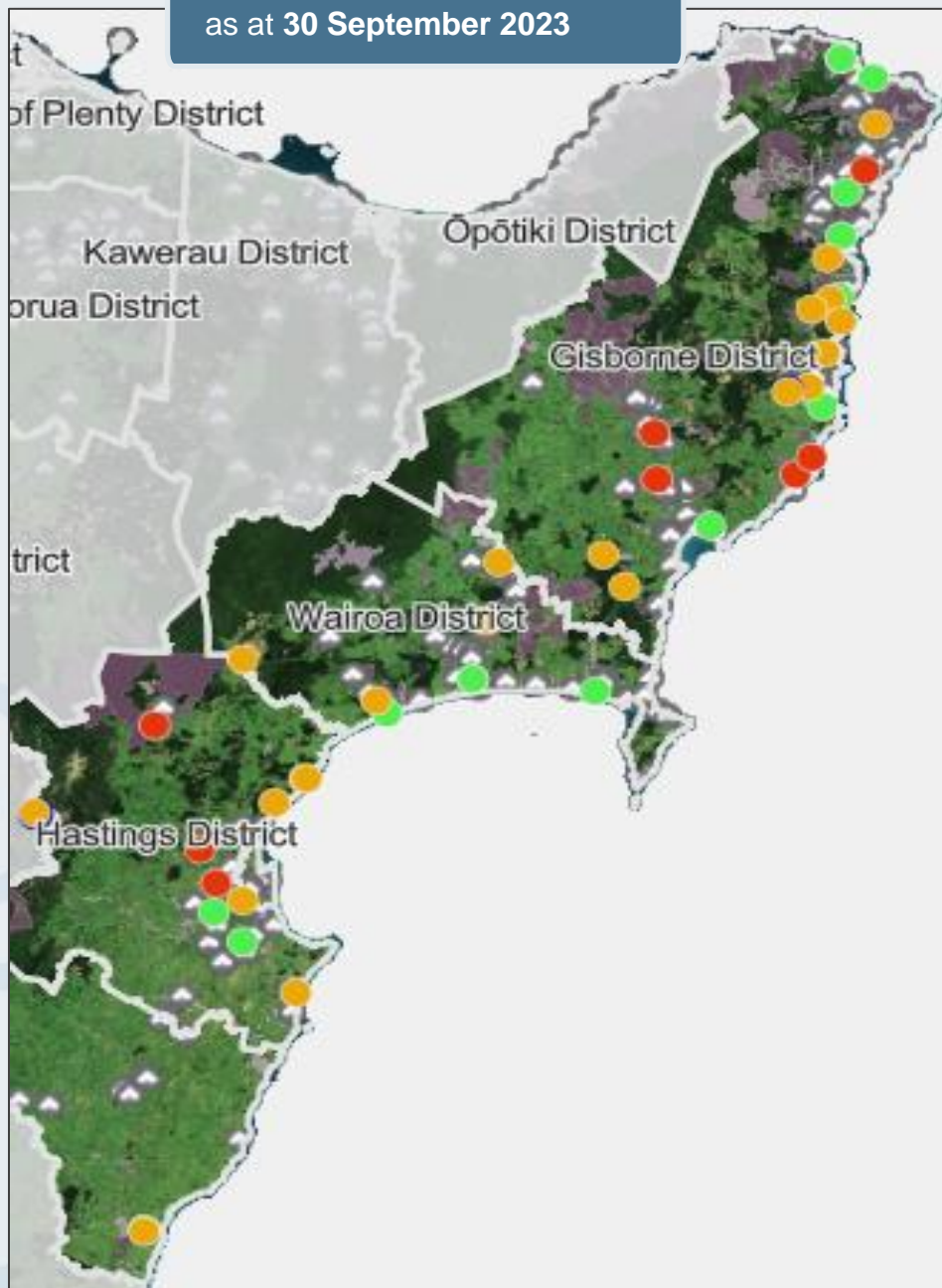
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Distribution of Engagement and Support for Funding Applications

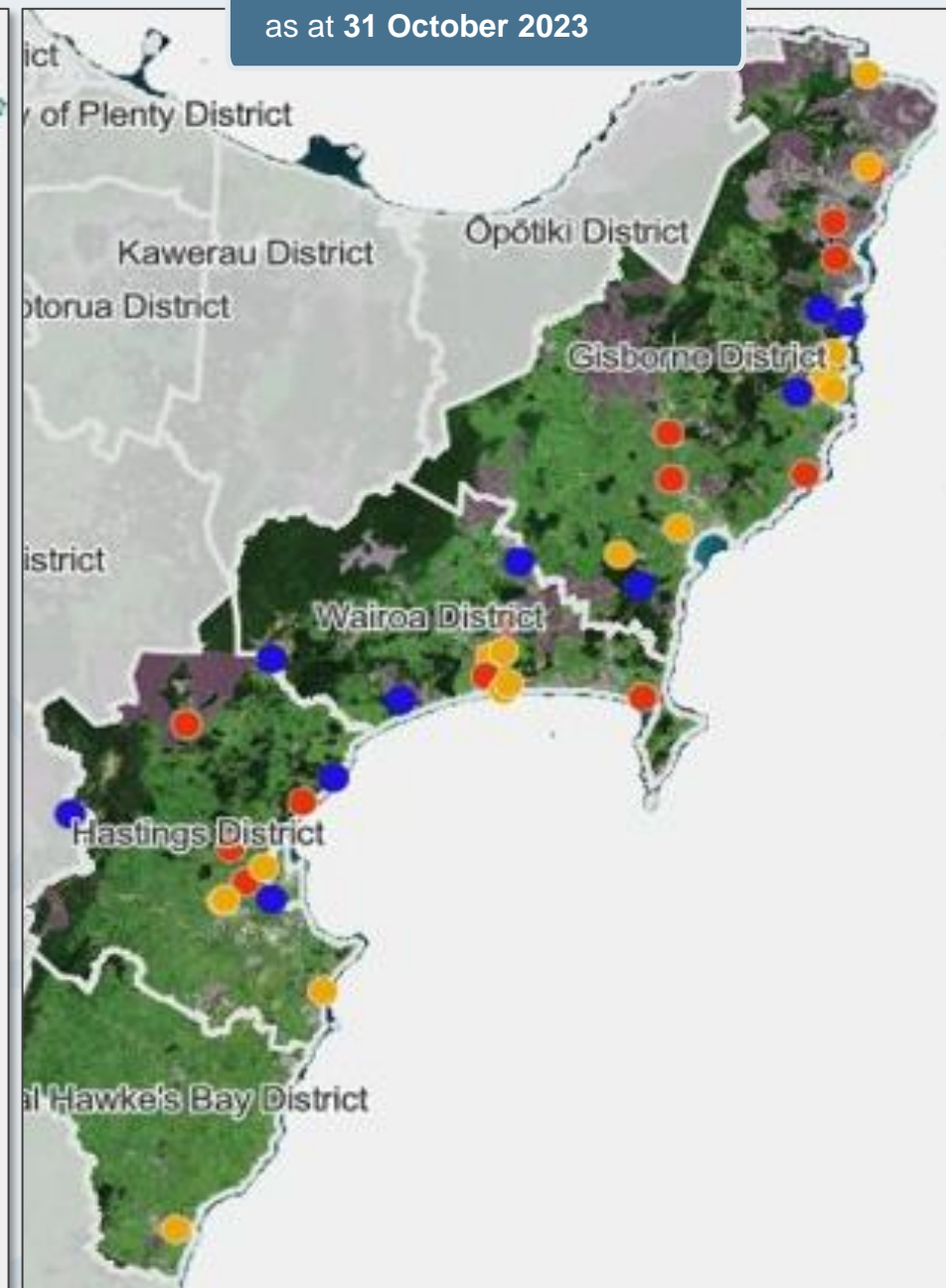
The whenua Māori Land blocks that have submitted applications and are impacted by Cyclone Gabrielle have been mapped over the Hawke's Bay and Tairāwhiti regions using Tōku Whenua.

- The Whenua Māori Service has been holding drop-in clinics each fortnight at regular venues (over 60 engagement hui held to date). The drop-in clinics provide an opportunity for Māori landowners to work with kaimahi on their applications for funding. The locations of community engagement hui as shown in the map September map only (●) as the location is the same for October
- There are 43 proposals in development (this includes applications in development (●) and under assessment (●) shown on the map. There are 20 proposals in development that have progressed to the point that exact land blocks have been identified. Twelve of these are in Tairāwhiti and 8 in Hawke's Bay. Projects approved for funding are also shown (●).

as at 30 September 2023



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KEY

- Community engagement hui
- Proposal in development
- Proposal in development - assessing
- Application approved