



PAPATŪĀNUKU O TE  
APŌPŌ MO TE  
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Presented by Te apōpō

# The Vision

- Te Urewera.
- Whanganui River.
- Two National 'first steps in the right direction.'



# The ideal world – Hawaiki



- International example of what the future for conservation looks like

# Ko au ko Papatūānuku

- **Conservation**

*noun*

- the action of conserving something, in particular:

The Law of physics

- the principle by which the total value of a physical quantity or parameter (such as energy, mass, linear or angular momentum) remains constant in a system which is not subject to external influence.

# Ko au ko Papatūānuku

- Can we guarantee that external influences will stay as they are, thus allowing for our current methods of conservation to remain for the next 30 years?
- If not, what are we doing to prepare for that - are we in a position to foresee the challenges that lay ahead? Or even opportunities for the future?
- And do those who will ultimately inherit the consequences of these decisions feel the same way?

# WHY?

- How many of our iwi authorities seriously consider the input of the inheriting generations when they make a commercial decision against the environment?
- How many city, region or even district councils invite the inheriting generations to their environmental policy planning meetings?
  - How many times has Govt invited Māori, let alone the inheriting generations to the table when discussing issues that don't only effect the environment, but our very state of being.

# Ko au ko Papatūānuku

**Does conservation of land for Māori, differ much to the conservation of our culture and identity?**

- Whakapapa
- Pepeha
- Tikanga
- Whakataukī
- Kupu Whakarite



# Ko au ko Papatūānuku

- We must shift our mode of thinking -
- “Indigenous peoples rights to their lands, territories and natural resources”
- Kei a Papatūānuku kē te mana



# Setting National Targets for River Restoration Nationwide

- “We recommend;

3. That the New Zealand Government adopt into overriding legislation; National River Restoration Legislation similar to that achieved under the Waikato River Settlement – Te Ture Whaimana o Te Awa o Waikato: Vision & Strategy for the Waikato River; and

3.1 That the New Zealand Government legislate for national targets and timeframes by which all New Zealand Rivers must be restored through the reduction of phosphorous, nitrate, sediment and other contagion and to the extent that;

3.1.1 Rivers are swimmable along the entirety of their catchments

3.1.2 Rivers are safe enough for food-gathering along the entirety of their catchments

3.1.3 Rivers are of drinkable water standards at the point of discharge”

# Addressing the Climate Crisis in Aotearoa

"We recommend;

7. That the New Zealand Government commit to no new state investments into fossil fuels such as KiwiSaver and the like by the next financial year"

# Implementation of a Constitutional Review Process & Transformation

"We recommend;

14. That the New Zealand Government, in partnership with tangata whenua, deliver on the transformation of a new constitution for Aotearoa founded upon Papatūānuku & Te Tiriti o Waitangi; to be entrenched into the governing political structure of New Zealand with prevailing legal status which enables Te Tiriti to strike-down all attempts upon it, thereby preventing breaches of Te Tiriti from ever occurring again in the future; and

14.1 That the New Zealand Government provides constitutional recognition and protection of Papatūānuku & Te Tiriti o Waitangi across all legislation and other major policy-setting documents and decisions"

# Ōtakiri Springs Recommendations

"We recommend;

1. That the New Zealand Government launch an Urgent Ministerial Inquiry and moratorium into the Bay of Plenty Regional Council consent process and application lodged by Cresswell NZ Ltd – RC RM17-0424 for the extraction of groundwater from Ōtakiritanga o Te Toki a Iratumoana spring for the purposes of commercial bottling"



# Te apōpō o Ōtakiri – Ōtakiri Springs

