



WHAKAPOUNGAKAU LANDS TRUST

Pānui | Trustee Election Candidates

Tēnā koutou e ngā uri, ngā kaipupuri hea hoki o Whakapoungakau,

We are pleased to present the candidates who have put themselves forward for election as trustees for the Whakapoungakau Lands Trust. These individuals bring a range of skills, experience, and passion for our whenua and our people. Their bios are shared below for your consideration.

TRUSTEE CANDIDATES



HAYDON PORE

E te mana whenua o Whakapoungakau, tēnā koutou

I'm a Dad and a Koro, passionate to reignite my Rotokawa, Whakapoungakau whakapapa.

I've spent my life working in security overseas and throughout Aotearoa – mainly at major development sites belonging to Pākehā and Governments. Now is the time for me to bring those skills home to this whenua - to use them honourably in the protection of our taonga for this generation and the next.

I've seen the bad and good of intensified development. If we go there, we must do so very very carefully and only at the say so of you – the owners.

I see serious risks for the owners right now. But rather than throw stones, I want to help. I hope to be a part of a team to navigate us to a future that's tika and pono.

I'm a direct descendant of the late Heeni Pore (aka Hēni Te Kiri Karamū) of Ngāti Uenukukopako and Ngāti Rangiteaorere. She's known as a leader, warrior and protector. I want to practice the aroha and compassion she did. And what better place to do that, then the land she came from.



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MARIANA TE KANAWA

I am a Provisional Chartered Accountant with an Applied Management Degree, majoring in accounting. I have worked at Accounting HQ Ltd for nearly 6 years. I love serving our Māori clientele, and I am passionate about optimising and assisting them to achieve best practice.

My fiancée and I co-own our business, Gage & Te Kanawa Transport. We have also built our empire and achieved generational wealth for our whanau through sheer hard work, strong business acumen, and prudent financial management.

I have served as Chairperson of Te Kohanga Reo ki Rotokawa, Board of Trustees for Whangamarino School and I am a current Trustee for Te Pamū o Nga Uri o Te Kirirape.

I am passionate about farming. My whanau and I have transformed a derelict farm into what is now revered by our Pakeha neighbours as the best farm in Mokauiti. We frequently travel back to the King Country as an active working party to attend to the regular duties required to manage the whenua and maintain 180 in-calf dairy heifer yearlings.

If I am elected as a Trustee, I will act and make decisions ensuring I uphold tika and pono virtues and prioritise shareholder aspirations.



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TANIRA KINGI

Ko au tenei he uri o Ngāti Pukaki, Ngāti Te Roro-o-te Rangi, Ngāti Taeotu me etahi atu hōnonga o ngā karangataha hapū o Ngāti Whakaue, Ngāti Rangiteaorere, me Ngāti Uenukukōpako. Ko Kihī Ātetini Te Wharepūrangi Kōkiri tōku nei tīpuna koroua. Tōna ingoa kē ko Wiremu Kingi. Ōku mātua kō Inez Haereata raua ko Manaia Pihopa (Bishop) Kingi, te tama o Rāniera te Tawhiti Kingi me Rihī Kārenga Taekata.

Tenā koutou - I am seeking your support to be appointed as a trustee to Whakapounghakau Lands Trust. I have extensive experience in the development and governance of whenua Māori organisations and as a governor and director on other boards throughout the country.

Current governance positions:

- Ngāti Whakaue Tribal Lands Incorporation – deputy chair
- Whakaue Farming Limited – director and chair
- Te Arawa Arataua (TAPS) – chair
- Landcorp Farming Limited – director
- NZ Climate Change Commission – commissioner

I am currently an independent science advisor and research consultant after a long career as a research scientist. I've worked for Massey University as a senior lecturer, and a senior scientist and science advisor for AgResearch and Scion. I've been a past advisor to Te Puni Kōkiri, and the Ministries of Primary Industries and Environment on whenua Māori, freshwater and climate change policy. I have a PhD in agricultural economics and development (Australian National University) and an MAppSci (Hons) in agricultural systems management (Massey University). I was born in Koutu, grew up in Ohinemutu and now live in Maketu.



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TE KAPUA-KI-HIKURANGI CAROLYN HOHEPA WATENE

“...Pikihia ngā hiwi o Whakapounghakau ki ngā pā tūwatawata o **Pateiti** tua atu **Kahuka** tua atu **Whakarongo Pātiti**...” (Te Patere o Ihenga)

Ko Whakapounghakau ngā pae maunga, Ko Te

RotoruanuiaKahumatamomoe te wai, Ko Te Arawa te waka, Ko Te Kapua Hohepa-Watene ahau.

With many potential developments being suggested for WALT, it is important that trustees be open and transparent, not be overcommitted or have several conflicts of interest and be willing to strictly adhere to the obligations within their trust deed. As part of the Hohepa whanau, we are happy to vote for anyone who agrees with these whakaaro.

We believe we need to safeguard our taonga at the Rotokawa Baths Reservation. Succession planning is crucial for us to have balanced representation on all of our entities with each of our whānau lines having a voice on important issues. Collaboration between all trusts in the Whakapounghakau rohe will ensure we are ready to protect or restore our taonga as needed. Ngā mihi nui.

Previous and Current Trustee Experience: Owhatiura South5 Committee (4 years), Post-Primary Teachers' Association (2 years), TeKuraKaupapaMāori o Ruamata Board (10 years), Ngāti Uenukukopako Iwi Trust (4 years), Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Rangiteaorere (current).



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VOTING INFORMATION

Date & Time: Sunday, 13 April 2025, from 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM

Location: Pikirangi Marae, Ōwhata, Rotorua

Method: In-person ballot voting only

Important voting rules:

- Only registered owners in the Whakapoungakau Lands Trust are eligible to vote.
- Each owner is entitled to submit one (1) voting form. Duplicate submissions will be invalid.
- You may vote for up to three (3) candidates, as there are three trustee spaces available.
- Completed voting forms must be folded and deposited in the ballot box at the registration table.
- Late votes will not be accepted.

Nō reira e te whānau, haere mai ki te kōwhiri – your vote, your voice, your future.

For any questions or further information, please contact the Returning Officer:
shareregister@arconsultants.co.nz

Ngā mihi nui,

