

# Te Tātarakihi

## August 2018





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*Front Cover: Ms Huhana Melanie Lyndon, new Chief Executive Officer*

# **Ngati Hine Forestry Trust – Panui 18**

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## **Appointment of New Tumu Whakarae - Chief Executive Officer**

**Tena koutou e te iwi**

**E mihi atu ana ki a koutou i roto i te hotoke. Me mihi atu ano hoki ki a tatou tini mate,ara, ko Sonny Livingstone tera me te tini atu. Na reira, haere atu e nga mate, whakangaro atu i te tirohanga kanohi.**

It is with much pride that we are able to announce to you as owners that after a period of recruitment the Trustees have appointed Ms Huhana Melanie Lyndon as its new Chief Executive Officer to lead the management of the Trust into the future.

She replaces Jonathan Rishworth who had been successful in his application to be the new CEO of the Te Uri o Hau Settlement Trust based in Whangarei. The Trust thanks Mr Rishworth for his diligent service and wishes him and his whanau all the very best in his new role.

Huhana Lyndon is of Ngati Hine [Te Orewai] and Ngati Wai whakapapa and her appointment to CEO fulfils one of the many expectations of the beneficial owners and those original Trustees responsible for the establishment of the Trust.

What is unique about this appointment is that it is the first senior management appointment from amongst its own beneficial owners that will have management oversight of the Trust and its activities which aligns with the Trust's vision that emphasises self-reliance.

Huhana brings a wealth of experience in iwi and hapu development and it is the expectation of the Trustees, on behalf of the 5,000 beneficial owners, that this will advantage the Trust.

Her experience with analysis and strategy amongst other key competencies will be invaluable as the Trust looks to diversify its interests in other land use activities other than forestry which in the long term includes bringing the lands back to native cover.

As was discussed in the May 2018 Te Tātarakihi the Trust is one of the first entities in the north to benefit from the Governments Regional Growth Fund relative to its One Billion Tree Planting Project.

This has allowed the Trust to consolidate its assets and now consider other land use activities and it will be Ms Lyndon's role to identify opportunities and to prepare business cases for the Trustees.

Ms Lyndon is part way through a Masters Business Management course and the Trust will continue to support her towards the completion of her studies.

Our expectations of her are high and we have no doubt that she will meet the challenges when exercising her duties.

Ms Lyndon will be commencing duties in September with a Powhiri to be held on Friday 14 September 2018 on the Tau Henare Marae (Pipiwai) at 11am.

### **Announcement and Tree Planting Ceremony - Crown Forestry Right**

The Trust's negotiated Forestry Right agreement with the Crown for a second and third rotation pine plantation was well canvassed in the May 2018 Te Tātarakihi. The formal announcement and tree planting ceremony "Te Herenga Rua i Pukeatua" marking this occasion was held on 31 May 2018.

This announcement and tree planting ceremony attracted considerable



*Photo taken at tree planting ceremony from left: Minister of Forestry and Economic Development Hon Shane Jones, Deputy Prime Minister Rt Hon Winston Peters, Associate Minister of Forestry Hon Meka Whaitiri and List MP Willow-Jean Prime.*

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publicity including significant segments screening on both Maori TV Te Kaea and TV One News on the evening of the 31st.

### **Manuka Planting and Forestry Training Joint Venture with the Crown**

Alongside the announcement of the pine plantation Forestry Right with the Crown on 31 May 2018 there was another announcement which did not receive as much coverage but was also alluded to in the Trust's May 2018 Te Tātarakahi. This announcement was made by the Hon Meka Whaitiri the Associate Minister of Forestry.

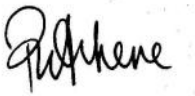
It was about a separate joint venture between the Trust and the Crown to plant up to 500 hectares of the Trust's forest estate in manuka. This planting will run alongside a forestry training programme involving some 40 trainees designed to build our own people's capability and capacity.

The objectives of this manuka planting and training programme are the attainment of NZQA qualifications and full time meaningful employment. The programme is to run over two years 2019 and 2020.

This particular joint venture with the Crown is a significant step towards the Trust's vision of gradually replacing pine with native. These manuka plantings will also contribute to commercial returns derived from manuka honey and possibly other manuka products such as manuka oil.

## **2018 Annual General Meeting**

The Trust's 2018 Annual General Meeting is to be held on Saturday 17 November 2018 at Te Rito Marae. The Trustees encourage the beneficial owners to attend.



Pita Tipene  
Chairman

### **Ngati Hine Forestry Trust Trustees:**

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# Ngā Karahipi Uru Rākau – Forestry Scholarships

MPI is offering scholarships for Māori and/or female students enrolling in a Bachelor of Forestry Science or Bachelor of Engineering (Hons) in Forest Engineering.

The MPI is offering 4 Forestry Scholarships in 2019 to:

- develop skills in the forestry industry
- encourage more Māori and women to work in the industry.

The scholarships are open to eligible students enrolling in either a:

- Bachelor of Forestry Science, or
- Bachelor of Engineering (Hons) in Forest Engineering

Each scholarship recipient gets:

- \$8,000 a year for 4 years (the length of the degree) for tuition fees and living costs
- a paid internship of between 4-10 weeks with an appropriate employer in the forestry sector.

**Existing scholarship awardees will need to reapply each year. Continuation of their scholarship will depend on academic performance and their intention to complete the course.**

To apply for a scholarship, you must be:

- either a New Zealand citizen or permanent resident
- eligible to enrol by 18 February 2019 in either a Bachelor of Forestry Science or Bachelor of Engineering (Hons) in Forest Engineering
- of Māori descent and/or female.

## **How to apply**

Applications for 2019 scholarships open on 27 June 2018 and close on 31 August 2018.

To apply for a Forestry Scholarship:

- download the application form
- prepare the supporting documents and information

**email your completed application and documents**

to [mpiforestryscholarships@mpi.govt.nz](mailto:mpiforestryscholarships@mpi.govt.nz)

If you have questions, email [mpiforestryscholarships@mpi.govt.nz](mailto:mpiforestryscholarships@mpi.govt.nz)

**Check out the following link for full details and requirements:**

<http://www.mpi.govt.nz/about-us/our-work/scholarships-and-awards/nga-karahipi-uru-rakau-forestry-scholarships/>