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IWI AUTHORITY

Te Awa Kōrero

Pānui-a-marama
Hongongoi

Nau mai Haere mai!

Welcome to the first edition of our Ngāitai Iwi Authority monthly newsletter. This newsletter is one way we can keep our whānau connected with the mahi happening across our iwi. Each month we'll share updates on our projects, environmental and cultural initiatives, funding successes, upcoming events, and opportunities to get involved. We'll also provide regular updates on our Treaty Settlement Negotiations, ensuring our uri are informed as we continue this important

Journey for Ngai Tai. Thank you for being part of this journey as we work together to protect our taonga, build resilience, and create opportunities for current and future generations. Ngā manaakitanga, Ngāitai Iwi Authority

Te Matawai Funding Secured

We've successfully secured Te Mātāwai funding to support the revitalisation of te reo Māori. This investment will strengthen language capability, support intergenerational learning, and help ensure our reo continues to thrive. More details will be shared soon.

Blue Shed Demolition

The Board has approved the demolition of the Blue Shed to address ongoing safety and maintenance issues. Once the site is cleared, we'll work with the iwi to explore future opportunities for the space.

Making our Marae more resilient

We've secured Ministry for the Environment funding to deliver key projects from our Climate Resilience Plan. Working alongside the Marae Komiti, we'll progress flood protection, stormwater planning, renewable energy opportunities, and other resilience initiatives to strengthen our marae for the future.

Growing our environmental kaitiaki

New Bay of Plenty Regional Council funding will expand our environmental and climate resilience programme. Led by Ash Mio, the kaupapa includes maramataka-based planning, environmental monitoring, wānanga, and hands-on training to grow the next generation of Ngāi Tai kaitiaki.

Upcoming Events

- **Rangatahi Girls night, Friday 24th July 4.30pm - 7.30pm at the Runanga**
- **Hui a Iwi Sunday 30th of August - Torere Marae. Nau mai haere mai!**

Be Counted, Be Connected

Linda Steel has joined Ngāi Tai as our new Beneficiary Roll Administrator. Linda will be at the rūnanga every Wednesday from 11am–2pm to help whānau update their Beneficiary Roll details, register new beneficiaries, and answer any questions. Keep an eye out for upcoming registration campaigns and help us encourage your wider whānau to enrol on the Beneficiary Roll and participate in local and central government elections

Negotiations update

PSGE Deed has been sent to Te Tari Whakatau who have indicated that Ngai Tai have followed an exemplary process of consultation with the Iwi. It is now with their legal team to ensure we have complied with the Crown requirements to establish our new Governance Entity to receive Treaty Settlement assets. We are still in talks with our neighbouring Iwi over our shared interests in some of the whenua and are in the closing stages of our Kohinga Korero/ Historical Account. More importantly, we are on track to initial our Deed of Settlement before the next election takes place - Negotiations Team.