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Sites of Significance Management Plan

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Type of Site	Block Location (Tuaropaki E/Pouakani B1 etc.)	Amalgamated to Tuaropaki E Lands (Y/N)	Used by the Trust (Y/N)	GPS Co-ordinates for Site Access Point	Size of Entire Site (Approx.)
Multiple Puia & Steam Vent (Waahi tupuna)	Tuaropaki E	Y	Y = Forestry & Access Way	-38.5163259° 175.922268°	Area = 18.16 ha Perimeter = 2.32 km

ASSOCIATIONS & ENTITIES SITE IS LISTED WITH:

Taupō District Council	Listed as a Significant Natural Area (SNA)	Site Number	Area (ha)	Ecological	Geothermal	Protected	Habitat for at risk or endemic indigenous species	Naturally uncommon habitat & vegetation
·	Paerata Road Geothermal Area (Tuhuatahi)	1208	3 ha	Atiamuri	Y	N	Y	Y

CURRENT RISK ASSESSMENTS (1 = Easy - 5 = hard)

Number on Map	Site Access (1-5)	Weather Dependent Access (Y/N)	Gradient & Terrain from Public Road	Biosecurity Risk (1-5)	Unintended risk of people accessing site once location is known (1-5)	Overall Risk Assessment
6	3	Y	1.2 km track by 4WD, walk 500m at 45 -50° slope to reach steam vent at far end of site. Geothermal areas along the way.	3	5	4

Name	Specifi Risk Assessment	Overall risk outcome
Tuhuatahi	Level of fitness: Moderate Additional notes: Stay on track. Active geothermal structures. Risk of burns, drowning and inhalation. No mobile signal, RT required.	High

SCHEDULED VISITS/MAINTENANCE:

Reason for Visit	Responsibility	Tasks to Undertake	Frequency
Site Maintenance	Farm Staff	Grazing & Fencing Upkeep	As required
Testing TPC		Environmental Monitoring	As required / As determined by TPC
Site Maintenance Forestry Manager		Forestry Maintenance	As required
Site Review C&L Team		Visit, Assess & Report	Six monthly

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KARAKIA

Te Reo Rangatira / The Maori Language:

Kia tau te manaakitanga ki runga ki tēnā ki tēnā o tātau

Kia whakairia te tapu

Kia wātea ai te ara

Kia turuki whakataha ai

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Haumi e!

Hui e!

Taiki e!

Te Reo Pakeha / English:

Settle care and protection upon each of us

Move the restrictions of sacredness

So that the pathway may be clear

Set aside personal issues and grievances

Set aside personal issues and grievances

Gather it!

Bind it!

It is done!



HISTORY

The oral traditions of the Te Arawa and Tuwharetoa people ascribe the origin of geothermal activity in the 'Taupo Volcanic Zone' to the great ancestor Ngatoroirangi, and his sisters Kuiwai and Haungaroa. These ancestors were aided by ancient Atua known as Te Pupu and Te Hoata. There is a clear connection made in these traditions between the volcanic mountains and the areas of surface geothermal activity, hot springs, geysers, mud pools, sinter terraces and steam vents.

The village of Mokai and the lands of Tuaropaki fall in the direct path that was carved out by these two ancient Atua many centuries ago. The lands of Tuaropaki also fall towards the centre of this geothermal zone. Tuhuatahi as a resource, would have been used by local iwi, hapu and manawhenua for bathing, cooking and for rongoa.

