

Lower Waipa River Riparian Project



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This involves riparian planting on a range of terrain, stream size and farm type, so farmers within the lower Waipa River Catchment and Waikato River Catchment can easily visit these "showcase sites".

From our nursery based in Raglan, Whaingaroa Harbour Care can transport up to 1,000 plants per day to planting sites between Pirongia and Ngaruawahia.

In 2013, we were able to showcase riparian planting on a sheep and beef farm alongside the Tumaeke Stream. The terrain includes steep hillsides, kahikatea forest and a flat floodplain.

In 2014, we propose riparian planting an intensive dairy farm, owned by Anthony and Shirley Brown, operating 600 cows in 170 ha adjacent to the Waipa River in Pirongia.

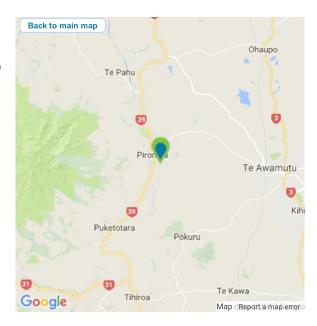
The riparian planting will occur in two different areas:

- 1) An existing farm pond and grazed gully system comprising 4.5 hectares
- 2) An area of steep pasture adjacent to the Waipā River (subject to flooding), comprising 3.3 hectares.

This project will retire 7.8 ha of land; require 2.7km of fencing and 80,000 ecosourced native plants.

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