

## **Oruanui Farm Restoration Project**



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This project aims to make a difference by building capacity at Oruanui by educating whanau about protecting and restoring wetlands, streams and whenua

Key objectives of the project:

Capacity building at Oruanui, Facilitated Collaborative forums, Education of wider group of the Oruanui whanau, Ensure protection of the restoration efforts.

Outcomes of the proposed project:

- 1. Protection of the present wetlands, and the new planting that will be underway in the 2012 to 2015 years by working closely with the lease to retire marginal areas.
- 2. Protection of the stream from adverse effects from the farming operation through better understanding of issues, and mitigation of effects through raised awareness about good practices.
- 3. Stream and wetland health will be monitored using a mix of cultural health indices and western science measures as well over the five year period.
- 4. Capacity building of Trustees and whanau associated with this land.
- 5. Increased awareness through a series of forums with the trustee group, and associated beneficiaries about sustainable land management, farm systems, and the indicators and what to be aware of when running a dairy enterprise.
- 6. Improved understanding of hapu and non-hapu about the values of the streams, the freshwater values and its significance.
- 7. Improved understanding and planning for the dairy farm operation in order that a seamless transfer from leasor to owner/operator may occur in 2017.

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