

Provision of trees for riparian planting in the South Waikato



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This project builds on the existing work that has been undertaken over the past ten years by the South Waikato Environmental Initiatives Fund to provide additional trees for riparian planting.

By partnering with the Waikato River Authority the South Waikato Environmental Initiatives Fund aims to provide an additional 5714 trees to improve the health of rivers and streams in the South Waikato District, while establishing valuable habitat on the tributaries to the Waikato River in the South Waikato District.

To improve the biodiversity linkages between the Waikato River and the tributaries in the district, through supporting the existing funding of planting riparian margins and wetland areas by the SWEI.

To encourage and foster community partnerships between different stakeholders in the district, including Industry, Farmers, Fish and Game, Forest and Bird, The Raukawa Charitable Trust and South Waikato District Council, to achieve positive change in regards to the Waikato catchment and its tributaries.

This will:

- To improve the health and mauri of the streams and wetland sin the South Waikato District
- To support Te Ture Whaimana, the vision and strategy for the Waikato River
- To enhance and improved the wetland and riparian margins in the South Waikato District
- To improve the biodiversity on rural properties in the South Waikato District
- To reduce nutrient runoff into waterways by the planting of riparian areas
- To enable the SWEI to increase the number and size funded projects.

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