



Totara Downs



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Totara Downs is a 180ha dairy support farm-lease grazing block located in Mangakino, 40 kilometres west of Taupo. The property borders the Pureora Forest Park on the Western edge of the Atiamuri Ecological District. An unnamed tributary of the Mangakino Stream, which drains into the Waikato River, runs through the farm.

This project will be a pivotal link in the future, present and planned protection efforts by ourselves and our neighbours and will be the critical piece in the puzzle of increasing water quality in the Mangakino and ultimately, Waikato rivers.

We would like to involve young people in the project and invited the local school to help with the planting of one of our wetlands. Our vision is for the teachers and students to use the wetland as a living classroom.

The project will take part over the next three years funded by us (the landowners) 50%, Waikato Regional Council 25%, WRA 25% and the Waikato Catchment Ecological Enhancement Trust will contribute a one of grant of \$11500. This is a Waikato River Authority funded project (WRA 14-002).

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