



Waikato River Trails Trust



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The Waikato River Trails has created access for walking, biking and tramping along New Zealand's longest river - the mighty Waikato.

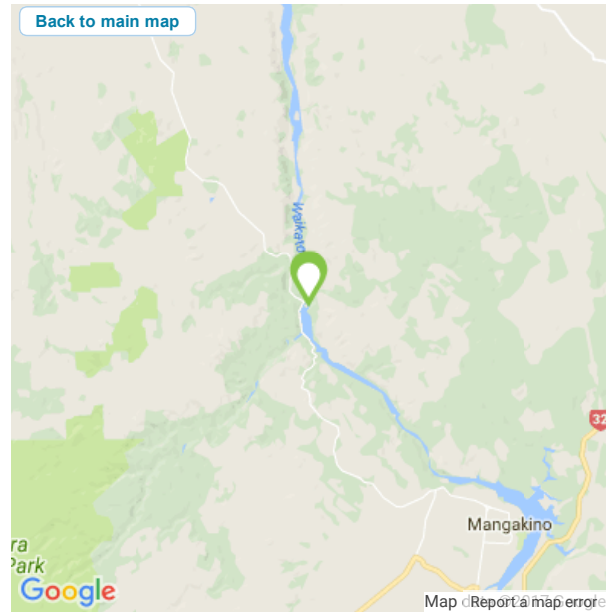
Flowing from Mount Ruapehu to the Tasman Sea via Lake Taupo, the Waikato River serves a multitude of communities along the way.

The trust's vision is "to create and sustain a variety of exciting walking and cycling trails as an enduring natural attraction which links riparian restoration with enhancement of the Waikato region as an active recreation destination" (Waikato River Trails). It's a big vision and the results so far have been spectacular.

After 8 years of development the trail opened in 2011, stretching all the way from Pokaiwhenua Bridge to Atiamuri - that's over 100km! The trail has five main segments: Karapiro, Arapuni, Waipapa, Maraetai, and Whakamaru. All of which have breathtaking views of the Waikato's natural environment.

Public access to much of the previously inaccessible southern Waikato land has only been made possible by the trust's keen volunteers. Help Waikato River Trails Trust 'realise the dream' by becoming a member or volunteer, or donating in other ways. Donations help to ensure the trails are maintained to a high standard and also support riparian care and improvement. Find out more at www.waikatorivertrails.com.

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