

9 June 2010

Tena koe

### **Mandated Iwi Organisation for Raukawa ki te Tonga**

Raukawa ki te Tonga is a recognised iwi under the Maori Fisheries Act 2004 (the **Act**) and, as such, is entitled to receive Treaty of Waitangi fisheries settlement assets from Te Ohu Kai Moana. Our share of those assets, comprising cash, fish quota and income shares in Aotearoa Fisheries Limited, is worth approximately \$12 million. We will only secure those assets if we set up a mandated iwi organisation, which must meet certain requirements set out in the Act.

A committee has been set up by Te Runanga o Raukawa Incorporated and other interested parties to develop a mandated iwi organisation for Raukawa ki te Tonga. That committee, known as the MIO Formation Committee, has been working intensively over recent months to establish a mandated iwi organisation for Raukawa ki te Tonga.

The MIO Formation Committee has now prepared a draft constitutional document for the proposed mandated iwi organisation for Raukawa ki te Tonga, being a deed of trust for the Raukawa ki te Tonga Trust. That trust deed has been approved in principle by Te Ohu Kai Moana as eligible to receive our Treaty fisheries settlement assets. However, we want your views on this important issue.

The MIO Committee wishes to consult with you, the Raukawa ki te Tonga iwi members, on the proposed trust deed for the Raukawa ki te Tonga Trust. We want you to review and consider the proposed trust deed, and provide comments on it. Copies of the trust deed is available at the offices of Te Runanga O Raukawa located at:

39 South Street – FEILDING  
3 Keepa Street – LEVIN  
51 Main Street – OTAKI  
Or can be viewed at Regional offices of Te Puni Kokiri.

We encourage you to read the deed.

You will be able to provide your comments in two ways. First, written comments and feedback on the draft trust deed can be sent to the following address by no later than **5.00pm on 2 July 2010**:  
**PO Box 144 Otaki.**

Secondly, you may provide your comments at a hui for Raukawa ki te Tonga to be held on **4 July 2010** at Ngati Wehi Wehi Marae, State Highway 1, Manakau between 2.00pm and 5.00pm. We encourage you to attend that hui and have your say.

The MIO Formation Committee will take into account all of the submissions received on the draft trust deed and comments made at the 4 July 2010 hui and will determine whether changes need to be made to it. Following that, the MIO Formation Committee will be asking you all to ratify the trust deed, as amended, to take into account your views, at a further hui to be held on **22 August 2010**. You will receive notice of that further hui in due course.

If the trust deed is ratified, Raukawa ki te Tonga will be eligible to receive significant assets from Te Ohu Kai Moana prior to 1 October 2010.

This is an important kaupapa for our iwi and we encourage you to participate.

You have received this letter because you are registered on the iwi register maintained by Te Runanga o Raukawa Incorporated. You have supplied your contact details to the Runanga for iwi purposes, including in relation to Treaty fisheries settlement assets. The Raukawa ki te Tonga Trust, as the mandated iwi organisation for Raukawa ki te Tonga, will be operating for those purposes. Therefore, your registration details as held by Te Runanga o Raukawa Incorporated will be transferred to the Raukawa ki te Tonga Trust (once it is established), unless you indicate otherwise to the Runanga in writing.

We look forward to receiving your valued comments on the draft trust deed for the Raukawa ki te Tonga Trust and we look forward to hearing from you by 2 July or seeing you on 4 July 2010.

Nga mihi,



**Te Waari Carkeek**  
Chairman  
Te Runanga o Raukawa Incorporated



**Whatarangi Winiata**  
Convenor  
MIO Formation Committee