

Resource Inventory Overview

Kai Tahu ki Otago have been working towards developing an inventory of site-specific and resource specific information. This information will be used to enable informed resource management decisions by Kai Tahu ki Otago and provide others with a Kai Tahu ki Otago perspective in relation to cultural issues.

The resource inventory will benefit consultants, applicants for resource consents and the regulatory, statutory and cultural functions of Territorial and Local Authorities. The resource inventory will help streamline consent processing and policy development by Councils in the Otago Region through greater informed decision making and input by Nga Runanga into these processes.

Overview of Long Term Plan

KTKO Limited proposes to gather information for and develop a number of GIS-based resource inventory layers. These include, but will not be limited to:

- = Detailed mahika kai inventory
- = Areas of significance to Te Runanga o Ngai Tahu
- = Areas of significance to Kai Tahu ki Otago
- = Cultural health index
- = Site photos, historic photos and silent files

The long term plan for this project is for all information to be available in an electronic form. To this end, Kai Tahu ki Otago has recently agreed to investigate further the Otago Regional Council, Te Runanga o Ngai Tahu and NIWA GIS systems as a repository for the Resource Inventory. It is therefore anticipated that much of this information will be displayed in a web-based form similar to the GrowOtago maps. As an online system, these resource inventory maps would be readily accessible for Kai Tahu ki Otago, local authorities and the general public. The resource inventory will be considered a 'live' database that will be administered, updated and provided by KTKO Limited.

Stage 1 Work Undertaken to Date for the Resource Inventory

Over the summer of 2003/04, a project to prepare a resource inventory for the Otago region was initiated by KTKO Ltd with funding assistance from Lotteries Environment and Heritage and the Sustainable Management Fund (Ministry for the Environment). This

project was part of the review of the KTKO NRMP 1995 and the development of the KTKO NRMP 2005.

The current Resource Inventory comprises 2 levels of detail:

1. A broad overview of sites of significance to Kāi Tahu within the Otago Region
2. A detailed investigation to identify sites of significance within the Karitāne /Puketeraki area.