



What are the critical success factors for the project?

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| Council and Ngāti Toa political and operational leadership | ✓ |
| Funding assistance and support from Central Government | ✓ |
| An enduring commitment from all partners – keeping focussed on the long-term vision | ✓ |
| Putting in place a simple and cost-effective riparian planting programme aimed at improving water quality | ✓ |
| Building our community partnership – for planting, citizen science and securing funding | ✓ |
| Making sure there is committed long-term funding and experienced staff to manage subsidised labour and volunteers | ✓ |
| Monitoring progress – to tell a story of success | ✓ |



Restoring the health of our harbour and streams

Vision: By 2040 Te Awarua-o-Porirua Harbour is safe for marine life and swimming, with all catchments riparian planted.

Why now?

The equivalent of 7000 10-tonne trucks of sediment have entered Porirua harbour each year for the last 5 years. Pollutants are still going into waterways. Ecological health and diversity are continuing to trend downwards.

Our window to act, to avoid eutrophication and arrest long-term decline is closing.

This stream planting project:

- Is a priority project in the Porirua Harbour and Catchments Strategy that can deliver a safe, clean harbour for marine life and our community.
- Supports Ngāti Toa Rangatira aspirations for the harbour described in their Statement on Te Awarua-o-Porirua Harbour.
- Aligns with Council's COVID-19 Recovery Plan that includes initiatives to address growing numbers of unemployed through job creation.
- Is supported by our other projects for restoring health to the harbour and streams, which are:
 - Renewing and improving wastewater and stormwater pipe networks
 - Putting in place water sensitive design for residential areas
 - Strengthening consenting and compliance activities
- Meets community expectations and willingness to prioritise Council LTP investment for improved freshwater quality outcomes.
- Supports our regulatory efforts through the Proposed District Plan and compliance actions to meet National Policy Statement – Freshwater Management freshwater quality standards and Regional Natural Resources Plan requirements.
- Provides an opportunity to use planting to support climate change initiatives.

Who do we want as our partners?

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What Porirua City Council is already doing:

- Riparian Management Implementation Strategy
- Green Infrastructure Asset Programme
- Healthy Urban Waterways programme with Wellington Water
- Wastewater and stormwater renewals programme
- Wastewater storage asset development
- Mitchell Stream catchment pilot riparian planting (Rotary, Carrus, Council, supported by the Billion Tree Fund)
- Takapūwāhia Project - Ngāti Toa & Council.

Central Government

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Support to meet NPS FM requirements

Job creation goals

Arresting biodiversity declines

Support for projects in the community

30-35 jobs created

Funding

Ngāti Toa Rangatira

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Leadership

Porirua City Council

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Leadership & partner engagement

Plan the programme

Supply plants

Coordinate planting, maintenance & labour

Track & report progress

Rural landowners

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Part funder

Permit access to land for planting

Maintain their plantings

Financial contribution

← **WCC**

Partner in rehabilitating urban streams

Funding urban stream management

← **Business and Community**

Provide funding and volunteers

Citizen science

↖ **GWRC**

Funder

Fencing subsidy

Getting the project underway:



Find project partners.
Confirm Ngāti Toa as a co-leader of project.
Meet directly with Ministers and officials (Department of Conservation, Ministry for the Environment, MBIE, Ministry of Social Development, Wellington City Council, Greater Wellington) to scope a partnership and available funding.

Prepare a detailed project plan.
Develop a project plan that sets out how to deliver the first stage(s) of the project at pace and outlines an approach for scaling up the partnership.

Confirm commitment to the project by central and local government funders.
Test and confirm the funding partners' commitment to the project as outlined in the detailed project plan.

Work with landowners and our community.
Build our relationships with landowners and residents in priority catchments to build and confirm their role in the project partnership.

Deliver Project

