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Tēnei te mihi ki a koutou ngā uri o Ngāti Hāua. Welcome to the Treaty Claims Pānui for Ngāti Hāua, the claimant group negotiating a Treaty settlement for our Iwi.

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COVID-19

E mihi ana ki a tātou i runga i ngā āhuatanga o te wā. E whakaarohia ana rātou ngā tūroro me te tono ki te Atua kia manaakitia rātou me ō rātou whānau i tēnei wā, ā, haere nei te wā. Ka mihia hoki koutou kei te mura o te ahi, kei ngā kaimirimiri i te ngākau marū, tēnā koutou katoa.

As we batten down during these unprecedented times, we, nga uri ō Ngāi Hāua are prepared for whatever the immediate future holds for us all, for each other, ourselves and our mokopuna. We do this alongside our iwi whānaunga of Whanganui, Tūwharetoa, Maniapoto and all of our Marae in our Rohe including our whānaunga tautoko in Te Ranga Tupua (Whanganui nui tonu, Ngā Rauru kī Tahi, Ngāti Apa-Ngā Wairiki and ngā iwi o Mokai Patea).

This week we've formed a Cluster with our lwi whānaunga through the various local health providers in Taumarunui and Marae Cluster Chairs, supported by Te Puni Kokiri. This Cluster is to support co-ordinated assistance for our kaumātua and whānau who need support during this time. This co-ordination includes making sure we are front and centre at RDC with Civil Defence and in the EOC Action Plan meetings. We have also supported our kuia, kaumātua and Marae Trustees to postpone all gatherings, close Marae and discuss the tikanga for tangihanga.

We are a resilient and resourceful people in times of challenge and will rise to this one. Please whānau it is so important to practice and follow the guidelines from the DHB.

If you've not sure what these are, here's a summary:

Please behave like you have COVID-19.

- So please whānau no movement, no contact outside your home, your bubble.
- Kia haumaru te noho.
- But should you have to go outside your bubble; please glove up, mask up and maintain a 2 metre distance from others.

Kaumātua

We will continue to be looking out for our older and more vulnerable whānau members. Please whānau remember to isolate as much as possible and manaaki one another through this time. But if you need further support please ring either of these two phone numbers: Ring 0800 292 428 or our land line 07 896 6595



Ngāti Hāua Whānau

We have been slowly connecting with our local whānau to make sure they are informed, safe and supported. Whānau you will get a call from us as we work through our databases and whanau networks. If we haven't been contacted, please be patient we're getting there. If you don't receive a call by the end of next week, it will mean we do not have your correct contact details or most up-to-date ones. Please whānau contact these numbers or email to update your details. We are here to tautoko you during this time:

Ring 0800 292 428 or 07 896 6595

Email: info@ngatihaua.iwi.nz

Our Facebook page is: Ngāti Hāua Taumarunui

Te Ranga Tupua

Te Ranga Tupua have established a hub from which advocacy and support for our people will be coordinated, anticipating that escalation of this situation may occur quickly.

Te Oranganui is part of that effort and together are in constant contact with the DHB, Police, District Councils, Civil Defence and government ministries and agencies advocating for the most vulnerable: our people who tend to be forgotten in such emergency situations. Te Ranga Tupua are constantly linked to the local emergency and health networks as well as government wide agency responses and have staff committed to gathering timely and accurate information.

Please ring the Te Ranga Tupua hub on 0800 202 004 if you need advice and support.

We stress that in terms of medical advice the Ministry of Health Covid-19 health line will continue to be the first point of contact which is 0800 358 5453.



COUNTDOWN BEGINS TO AGREEMENT IN PRINCIPLE MILESTONE

The Ngāti Hāua negotiations team is now meeting the Crown fortnightly in order to reach an Agreement in Principle (AIP) with the Crown later this year. Initialing the Agreement in Principle (AIP) will mark another significant step forward for Ngāti Hāua Iwi as we move towards putting the grievances of the past behind us in order to look forward to the future.

The Trust and negotiators have engaged in intensive discussions for Ngāti Hāua with the Minister for Treaty Settlement Negotiations and Te Arawhiti. Your negotiators and trustees have been negotiating solutions to provide tangible benefits to the Ngāti Hāua community. Historical account narratives are being worked on, properties are being valued, and conservation agreements with the Department of Conservation are being negotiated.

Relationship agreements with more than a dozen Crown ministries are being negotiated and overlapping claims negotiations with neighbouring iwi have been continuing. Work to establish a Post-Settlement Governance Entity (PSGE) will be underway soon and Ngāti Hāua Iwi Trust will be seeking input from our uri on this kaupapa to ensure that our PSGE meets the needs and aspirations of our whanau, hapū and iwi. The negotiations and decisions being made in progressing our iwi to initial the Agreement in Principle have not been taken lightly by the negotiators and Trustees. We will be continuing to negotiate on behalf of our people until we are satisfied that we can move the Crown no further, and only then will we agree to initial the Agreement in Principle with the Crown in order that you, Ngāti Hāua Iwi, can consider the agreement we have achieved so far.

For Ngāti Hāua Iwi, after the achievement of reaching Agreement in Principle we will then turn our attention to the next phase of our settlement journey, the Deed of Settlement.

This mahi is also subject to Crown capacity and ability to engage due to COVID-19. We are currently working through what this means with the Crown. Once the Level 4 lockdown is lifted we invite you to join us and participate in the upcoming wananga and hikoi.

PLEASE WHĀNAU MAKE SURE YOU'RE REGISTERED

Make sure you are registered whānau! As a registered member of Ngāti Hāua you can:

Vote in Trustee Elections Vote on the ratification of the Deed of Settlement

You can register on our website: www.ngatihaua.iwi.nz or by calling the NHIT office on 0800 292 428.

TIRA HOE WAKA 2020

Mai i te Kāhui Maunga ki Tangaroa

Tira Hoe Waka, the annual journey on our awa, attracted 52 new participants this year. They were part of a group of 132 paddlers who left Ngapūwaiwaha Marae at Taumarunui on 6 January 2020, finishing at Te Ao Hou Marae in Whanganui on 17 January 2020. The new paddlers were from Australia, Auckland, Nelson and elsewhere in the South Island.

This journey is important for descendants of Te Awa Tupua, the Whanganui river. It brings our people together and cements who we are and where we are from. During the journey our uri learn the stories of our places on the river, and the waiata (songs) that pertain to our awa and to our whenua. We acknowledge our uri who have passed away since the previous journey and they are remembered throughout the journey down the awa.

Whānau if you have missed the last Tira Hoe Waka and wish to come and reconnect with your awa, nau mai haere mai for the Tira Hoe Waka 2021. Stay in touch with our office and we will keep you informed of the details and dates for the next Tira Hoe Waka.





NORMA TURNER

"I felt our kuia were robbed actually in the partitioning of the land. They had to find money and ways to get to the land courts in Hamilton and Whanganui and in some cases Taranaki."

"I think if people have self-empowerment with their own resources, it grows them in self-esteem and mana. For our people to be able to have control of their lands and be able to utilise them as they dreamt without being inhibited with the law, L-A-W."

"That we can maintain our tikanga, kawa and our manaakitanga, using our resources as the moemoeā of our tūpuna."



FUTURE HIKOI

Ngāti Hāua will be having hikoi under the kaupapa 'Rediscovering our Sacred Spaces'. This will be facilitated by Turama Hawira with the support of our kuia and kaumātua.

This hikoi will be to some of our historical sites and we look forward to seeing you all. Further details will be posted on our Facebook as we get closer to the date and after the level 4 lockdown is lifted.

UPCOMING EVENTS

We want to capture and celebrate the mahi and activities in our iwi to build a broad picture of what's being achieved in hapū and iwi development. Let us know what you're up to or send us your ideas or feedback. We'd love to hear from you. Contact **Maxine Ketu** by

emailing info@ngatihaua.iwi.nz

NGĀTI HĀUA TRUSTEES & STAFF

Chair - Eugene Topine ViceChair-LoisTutemahurangi Treasurer - Brett Anderson Trustee - Graham Bell Trustee - Aaron Rice-Edwards Trustee - Joseph Allen Jnr Trustee - WilliamHuch

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HELP US TO KEEP YOU INFORM AND CONNECTED

Keep you and your whānau informed, involved and connected with what's going on at home. If you've recently moved to a new house, or changed your email address or phone numbers, now is the time to update us. Ring our office at **07 895 5966** and speak to our team, who will check and update your information - or **email info@ngatihaua.iwi.nz**

#Protect Our Whakapapa



What is COVID-19?

COVID-19 (Coronavirus disease 2019) is a new virus that can affect your lungs and airways.

There is currently no vaccine and people don't have immunity to it.

It spreads easily from person to person and can make us more māuiui than an ordinary flu.



What are the signs?

- Fever feeling hot then cold
- Cough that is chesty
- Trouble breathing

Other signs include muscle aches and pain, coughing up spit & a sore throat.

It can take 2-10 days for you to get sick after being infected but from the time we get infected we are contagious for up to 14 days.

For some - the illness will be mild, but for others it may cause them to get very sick. Some people can die from Covid-19.

If you start to feel any flu like symptoms, particularly shortness of breath, sore throat or fever —

call Healthline on 0800 358 5453



How does it spread?

Person to person: it is spread through droplets by sneezing, coughing, talking & runny noses. It transfers on to surfaces and can stay on plastic and stainless-steel surfaces for up to 3 days and less for other surfaces.

Māori are at higher risk: we have large multigenerational whanau and socialise as a whānau, hapū, iwi.

We also have higher rates of respiratory illnesses like COPD (Chronic **Obstructive Pulmonary Disease) and** asthma.

What can I do to keep my Whānau safe?

 Act like you are already infected: you can spread it even if not sick • Stay in your Whare

• Keep any manuhiri away

Wash your hands often, especially before & after preparing kai & eating, blowing your nose, touching pets & of course going to the wharepaku.

Don't touch your face if your hands are not clean.

Sneeze or cough into your elbow or a tissue & throw the tissue out into a bin.

Clean and disinfect surfaces you touch frequently.

Don't share kai or inu.

Don't kihi, hongi and harirū - instead find alternative non-contact ways to areet others.



Protecting Whānau

Keeping Whānau safe & informed



What to do if you fall sick

If you have a cough, fever and especially shortness of breath, call your doctor or Healthline on 0800 358 5453.

Your doctor or Healthline will assess you over the phone, and then they will tell you what to do next.

If you are recovering at home: Isolate yourself in a separate part of the whare.



What to do in lockdown

Aotearoa is now in lockdown for 4 weeks to slow then stop the virus & reduce the pressure on health services.

For 4 weeks we all have to stay home unless it's for a walk with the people we are in lockdown with or for an essential service.

Essential services such as the supermarkets, dairies, the doctor, hospital & pharmacies are staying open.

Work & Income service centres are closed but you can use MyMSD or ring them on 0800 559 009. Their lines are overloaded so if you can't get through, keep trying. Payments won't be stopped.