

TARANAKI MAUNGA SETTLEMENT ASPIRATIONS FRAMEWORK

HE KAWA TUPUA

1. OVERVIEW

He Kawa Tupua is the framework within which Ngā o Iwi o Taranaki have developed aspirations for redress in respect of our grievances with the Crown over Taranaki Maunga. The achievement of our settlement aspirations will be guided by the principles of Mana Motuhake (Authority), Te Tirohangaroa (Forward Looking), Mahi tahi/ Kotahitanga (Collaboration), Manaakitanga (Reciprocity), Pono (Good faith) and Tika (Transparency).

He Kawa Tupua is an integrated framework which has two fundamental components (pou):

- **Te Mana o Te Maunga**; and
- **Te Mana o Te Kāhui**
- And five supporting elements (auheke):
- **Hohourongo** – recording our connection and relationship, acknowledgement and reconciliation of the past, including resolution of the legacy of the Egmont Vesting Act 1978
- **Pou herenga Maunga, Pou Herenga Tangata** – Understanding obligations and responsibilities
- **Taranakitanga** – Cultural Connection and Revitalisation
- **Tatau Pounamu**- Enduring Crown Relationships
- **Tirohangaroa**- Ensuring sustainability.

The framework is a connected whole, and should be read as such.

2. NGĀ POU

The objectives of Ngā Iwi o Taranaki entering into settlement are expressed in the following statements:

TE MANA O TE MAUNGA – *Recognising, promoting and protecting the health and wellbeing of the Maunga and his status as a tupuna*

- *Recognising Taranaki as an Ancestor*
- *Enhance and maintain holistic wellbeing of Taranaki*
- *Provide for an integrated approach to the governance and Management of Taranaki Maunga and his health and wellbeing*
- *Development of a Whole of Mountain Strategy for Taranaki (see Pou Herenga Maunga/Tangata)*
- *Involve iwi, Crown, local government and community, in the governance and management of Taranaki*

- *Development of a set of values consistent with rangatiratanga- that will encompass the natural environment and features of the maunga and the interrelationship of people (all people not just iwi) with Taranaki Maunga*
- *These values, consistent with rangatiratanga, will be developed and agreed for inclusion in the deed of settlement and legislation. These values will provide context to the status of Taranaki and provide guidance to relevant decision makers*
- *These values will require persons exercising functions and powers relating to Taranaki, or activities on Taranaki that affect Taranaki, to give appropriate consideration to the values and the status of Taranaki, consistent with rangatiratanga, when exercising such functions or powers. This obligation will affect central government agencies as well as local authorities.*

TE MANA O TE KĀHUI - *Recognising and providing for the mana and relationship of Ngā Iwi o Taranaki to our ancestor*

- *Recognising Taranaki as an Ancestor*
- *Recognising the relationship of Ngā Iwi o Taranaki and Taranaki Maunga in the Deed and Legislation*
- *Inclusion of Iwi values in the Deed and Legislation*
- *Providing for Iwi participation in governance and management decision making*
- *Whole of Mountain strategy covering all activity on Taranaki Maunga*
- *Sustainable resourcing to be able to discharge cultural responsibilities and obligations.*

3. NGĀ AUHEKE

Further, specific settlement aspirations for Ngā Iwi o Taranaki that fall under He Kawa Tupua and Te Mana o te Maunga and Te Mana o Te Kāhui are set out below:

1. **Hohourongo** – Recording our connection and relationship, acknowledgement and reconciliation of the past, including resolution of the legacy of the Egmont Vesting Act 1978
2. **Pou herenga Maunga, Pou Herenga Tangata** – Understanding obligations and responsibilities
3. **Taranakitanga** – Cultural Connection and Revitalisation
4. **Tatau Pounamu**- Enduring Crown Relationships
5. **Tirohangaroa**- Ensuring sustainability.

HOHOU RONGO

*Recording our connection and relationship
Acknowledgment and Reconciliation of past*

The signing of the Terms of Negotiation between the Crown and Ngā Iwi o Taranaki will signify another key milestone in the context of our political engagements to address the breaches of Te Tiriti o Waitangi. As such, achieving Hohourongo, reconciliation for Crown actions associated with Taranaki Maunga is important. The Crown generally offers claimant groups reconciliation redress which comprises an Historical Account, Crown

Acknowledgements and an Apology. We seek the achievement of Hohourongo for Taranaki Maunga through the following redress mechanisms:

1. A detailed statement setting out the relationship between Ngā Iwi o Taranaki and Taranaki Maunga;
2. An acknowledgement of the relationship of Ngā Iwi o Taranaki to Taranaki Maunga;
3. A detailed historical account for Taranaki Maunga, including our inherent connection to him;
4. Acknowledgments and recognition of the Crown's role in the raupatu of Taranaki Maunga;
5. Acknowledgement and recognition of the contribution of Taranaki Maunga to the development of Taranaki and Aotearoa/New Zealand;
6. Crown commitment to the enhancement and maintenance of Taranaki Maunga;s
7. Capacity Building fund for the participation of Ngā Iwi o Taranaki in co-governance and co-management arrangements, environmental, consenting and permit processes.

POU HERENGA MAUNGA, POU HERENGA TANGATA *Understanding obligations and responsibilities*

The Crown's acknowledgement to the Waitangi Tribunal that the confiscation of Taranaki Maunga, as it occurred in Taranaki also constituted an injustice. The views expressed by the Waitangi Tribunal in its Taranaki Report that the Taranaki Claims stand on two major foundations of land deprivation and disempowerment. These matters form the basis upon which Ngā Iwi o Taranaki seek to be reconnected with our tupuna maunga. The Crown typically offers claimant groups land and resources redress through the transfer of sites of significance. There are often co-governance and/or co-management arrangements put in place for key lands and waterways. As discussed previously there are some significant challenges to be overcome in reconnecting Ngā Iwi o Taranaki with our tupuna maunga given the National Parks Act, but we see Herenga Maunga- Herenga Tangata potentially occurring through the following redress mechanisms:

1. Title i.e Joint title, Kāhui Maunga (Rua Taranaki) Title, Crown Lease Back, legal entity;
2. Arrangements that recognise our relationship and authority to influence and make decisions aligned with shared values;
3. Governance Arrangements that recognise the relationship that Ngā Iwi o Taranaki have with Taranaki Maunga that support and enhance the participation of Iwi across the Maunga;
4. Management Arrangements that recognise and enhance iwi participation in operations decision making;
5. Providing for Iwi participation in governance and management decision making – noting this will be with Crown, local government and community;
6. Provision of sustainable resource to enable Ngā Iwi o Taranaki to participate in governance and management arrangements;
7. The settlement will provide for the collaborative development of a Whole of Mountain Strategy for Taranaki Maunga;

8. The purpose of the Whole of Mountain Strategy will be to bring together all those persons and organisations with interests in Taranaki Maunga (including Iwi, local and central government, commercial and recreational users and other community groups) to collaboratively develop a strategy focused on the future environmental, social, cultural and economic health and wellbeing of Taranaki Maunga;
9. The Whole of Mountain Strategy will cover matters such as issues that affect Taranaki Maunga, strategies and recommended actions to address those issues;
10. Provide for active participation of Ngā Iwi o Taranaki regarding on-mountain activities.

TARANAKITANGA *Cultural Connection*

The Crown's acknowledgement to the Waitangi Tribunal that the confiscation of land had a severe impact upon the welfare, economy and development of Ngā Iwi o Taranaki, coupled with the length of time in which the Crown has taken to address these issues is the basis upon which Iwi seek to strengthen our cultural connection and practices associated with Taranaki Maunga. Cultural Redress offered within many settlements has taken the form of Statutory Acknowledgments, Deeds of Recognition, re-naming or correction of place names, nohoanga, cultural development funding etc. We seek to strengthen our Taranakitanga through the following redress mechanisms:

1. Transfer and/ or acquisition of key culturally significant sites by the Crown for transfer to Ngā Iwi o Taranaki (or any future PSGE);
2. Restoration of Taranaki Iwi place names;
3. Protection of, and access to natural resources, taonga and culturally significant sites;
4. Provision of resourcing and support to deliver cultural revitalisation programmes e.g annual hīkoi, wānanga, health and wellbeing programmes;
5. Overlay Classification, Statements of Association and Tōpuni/ Nohoanga;
6. Rights of First Refusal for Concessions on significant sites;
7. Story Telling/ Interpretation on the maunga;
8. Financial contribution by the Crown towards the re-establishment, restoration and enhancement of specific culturally significant sites;
9. Financial contribution by the Crown towards research on Taranaki Maunga;
10. Cultural Fund (Capacity Building):
 - a. Pest eradication and conservation Training
 - b. Establishment of cultural markers, Pou Whenua
 - c. Interpretation and signage
 - d. Education
 - e. Archiving of material associated with Taranaki Maunga
 - f. Provision of resource to provide for the telling of the Ngā Iwi o Taranaki narrative

TATAU

Enduring Crown Relationship

Tatau seeks to re-establish effective interaction between the Treaty partners. This view could not be any more accurate in regard to the relationship between the Crown and Ngā Iwi o Taranaki. The development of Crown Relationships with iwi could be achieved contemporaneously with the Deed of Settlement and could involve the development of arrangements that define how the government agencies will work with iwi post-settlement. A Tatau between Ngā Iwi o Taranaki and the Crown could be achieved through the following:

1. A partnership model to govern and manage Taranaki Maunga;
2. Prescribe the future Crown relationship in the Deed and Legislation;
3. Commitment to an enduring relationship between Ngā Iwi o Taranaki and the Crown through any key representation mechanisms i.e Conservation Boards, Authorities;
4. Establishment of a contemporary Treaty Relationship, including specific protocols with key government departments and agencies;
5. Establishment of a Natural Resources and Economic Development Forum associated with activities on Taranaki Maunga;
6. Commitment to ongoing engagement between the Crown and Ngā Iwi o Taranaki regarding our maunga, natural resources and minerals (both nationalised and non-nationalised) through the establishment of a paepae rangatira.

TIROHANGAROA

Ensuring Sustainability

Tirohangaroa could be achieved between Ngā Iwi o Taranaki and the Crown through the following:

1. Appropriate statutory recognition of the arrangements described above;
2. Committed Appropriation to ensure the whole of mountain strategy is implemented;
3. Resourcing to enable Ngā Iwi o Taranaki to participate in the arrangements described above;
4. Sustainable funding to enable Ngā Iwi o Taranaki to be able to discharge their obligations and responsibilities.