



Summary

At its hui on 22 July 2021 the Board upheld two submissions objecting to a proposal from Te Whakaari Inc to assign Lake Te Horonui as the official name of a recently formed lake halfway between Wairoa and Gisborne. The Board agreed instead to accept a proposal for Lake Mangapōike because of the lake’s association with Mangapōike River (as currently spelled in the Gazetteer).

At its hui on 20 October 2021 the Board noted that public notification of Lake Mangapōike had been deferred so this new proposal could be discussed at Te Whakaari Inc’s upcoming AGM¹.

A submitter who objected to the Lake Te Horonui proposal, has advised that she made a presentation on the history of the area at the AGM held on 3 December 2021. She advised that some shareholders at the hui had not been aware of Te Whakaari Inc’s

¹ Annual General Meeting

original proposal for Lake Te Horonui and requested more time to undertake consultation with mana whenua.

Te Whakaari Committee of Management has advised that while those at the AGM appreciated the presentation, the collective view was that the name Te Horonui should be given to the lake. They requested that the Board 'reinstates and formally recognises' their original proposal for Lake Te Horonui.

In an email to both parties on 23 December 2021 the Secretariat acknowledged their concerns, advising that the Board had already consulted on the proposal for Lake Te Horonui. It had agreed with the reasons in some of the objecting submissions and would be publicly notifying the new proposal for Lake Mangapōike. The Board's Chairperson agreed to extend the consultation period from one month to three months.

The Secretariat advised 15 mana whenua groups on 13 January 2022 that the new proposal for Lake Mangapōike would be publicly notified for submissions in mid-February 2022.

Lake Mangapōike has been publicly notified for three months (16 February 2022 to 16 May 2022). The Board will consider any submissions at its mid-year 2022 hui.

The gazettal of Mangapōike River, which the Board approved at its 22 July 2021 hui, will wait until a decision has been made on the lake's name.

Supporting information

1. Board proposal report – Lake Te Horonui – 2021-04-20
2. Board submission report – Lake Te Horonui – 2021-07-22
3. Board proposal report – Lake Mangapōike – 2021-10-20
4. Email – outcome of Te Whakaari Inc AGM – 2021-12-07
5. Letter from Te Whakaari Inc – outcome of Te Whakaari Inc AGM – 2021-12-13
6. Email to Te Whakaari Inc & anor – Lake Mangapōike to be notified – 2021-12-23
7. Email to 15 mana whenua groups – consultation – 2022-01-13