

**IN THE HIGH COURT OF NEW ZEALAND  
AUCKLAND REGISTRY**

**I TE KŌTI MATUA O AOTEAROA  
TĀMAKI MAKĀURAU ROHE**

**CIV-2017-485-226  
CIV-2017-404-481  
CIV-2017-485-220  
CIV-2017-485-224  
CIV-2017-485-221  
CIV-2017-485-193  
CIV-2017-485-232  
CIV-2017-485-259  
CIV-2017-485-260  
CIV-2017-485-267**

UNDER the Marine and Coastal Area  
(Takutai Moana) Act 2011

IN THE MATTER OF an application by **Rebecca Harper** on  
behalf of **Te Hika o Papaūma** for  
orders recognising Customary Marine  
Title and Protected Customary Rights

On the papers:

Counsel: M Yogakumar for Te Hika o Papaūma (CIV-2017-485-226)  
C Hirschfeld for Te Hika o Pāpāuma (CIV-2017-404-481)  
N Coates for Pāpāuma Marae Trustees (CIV-2017-485-220)  
R Siciliano and C Mataira for Rangitāne Tū Mai Rā Trust  
(CIV-2017-485-224)  
J Ferguson and J Judge for Ngāti Kahungunu ki Wairarapa  
Tāmaki-nui-a-Rua (CIV-2017-485-221)  
L Watson for Ngāti Kere Hapū for (CIV-2017-485-193)  
D Naden, M Yogakumar and M Sreen for Ngāi Tūmāpuhia-ā-Rangi Hapū  
(CIV-2017-485-232)  
T Bennion for Ngāti Hinewaka (CIV-2017-485-259)  
M Houra for Te Atiawa Iwi (CIV-2017-485-260)  
D Naden, M Yogakumar and M Sreen for Tukōkō and Ngāti Moe  
(CIV-2017-485-267)

Interested parties:

B Lyall for Ngāi Tumāpuhia-A-Rangi Ki Motuwairaka Inc  
B Lyall for Ngāi Tumāpuhia-A-Rangi Ki Okautete Inc  
B Scott for Seafood Industry Representatives  
G Melvin for Attorney-General

Minute: 13 February 2023

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## MINUTE OF CHURCHMAN J

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[1] By memorandum dated 7 February 2023, counsel for the majority of the applicant parties have sought:

- (a) a change in the name that the proposed hearing is referred to from East Coast Wairarapa Group M Stage 1(b) to “East Coast Tāmaki-nui-a-Rua Group M”;  
and
- (b) a name change for the 1(a) hearing.

[2] The memorandum also proposes a timetable order.

### **Name**

[3] Name allocated to the hearing is for Court administrative purposes only and is not intended to define the precise area that is the subject matter of the hearing.

[4] When the decision was made to divide the Group M applications into two hearings, it was necessary to distinguish the first hearing (Stage 1(a)) from the second proposed hearing (Stage 1(b)).

[5] There is potential for confusion if the descriptions Stage 1(a) and Stage 1(b) are altered. I therefore propose leaving the Stage 1(a) as being described as “East Coast Wairarapa Group M Stage 1(a)”. I propose amending the second hearing so that it reads “East Coast Group M Stage 1(b).”

## Hearing timetable

[6] The memorandum indicates that counsel for the applicants have spoken to all of the other parties involved in the 1(b) hearing and all are agreed as to the proposed timetable orders.

[7] On that basis, I make the following timetable directions:

<b>Procedural steps</b>	<b>Proposed dates</b>
Tangata whenua evidence	Friday 4 August 2023
Historian and any other professional evidence for applicants	Friday 4 August 2023
Attorney-General and interested parties evidence	Monday 20 November 2023
Reply evidence	Monday 11 December 2023
Close of pleadings	Friday 15 December 2023
Common bundle	Wednesday 17 January 2024
Draft hearing timetable	Wednesday 17 January 2024
Applicant opening submissions and statement of agreed facts	Wednesday 24 January 2024
Attorney-General and interested parties opening submissions	Friday 2 February 2024
Hearing fixture begins	Monday 12 February 2024



**Churchman J**