

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

**I TE KŌTI MATUA O AOTEAROA  
TE WHANGANUI-Ā-TARA ROHE**

**CIV-2011-485-797  
CIV-2011-485-803  
CIV-2011-485-814  
CIV-2011-485-210  
CIV-2011-485-213  
CIV-2011-485-243  
CIV-2011-485-293  
CIV-2011-485-300  
CIV-2011-485-282  
CIV-2011-485-183  
CIV-2011-485-212  
CIV-2011-485-215  
CIV-2011-485-310  
CIV-2011-485-534**

IN THE MATTER OF an application for recognition orders under the  
Marine and Coastal Area (Takutai Moana) Act  
2011

BY Ngāti Manuhiakai Hapū CIV-2011-485-797  
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Oeo Pa Trustees CIV-2011-485-300  
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Te Kāhui o Taranaki Iwi CIV-2011-485-212  
Rūnanga o Ngāti Mutunga CIV-2011-485-215  
Kotahitanga o Te Atiawa Trust  
CIV-2017-485-310  
Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Tama CIV-2017-485-534  
Ngā Hapū o Mokau ki Runga CIV-2017-485-209

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Ngāti Manuhiakai  
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T Bennion for Ngāti Tamaahuroa and Titahi Hapū and Oeo  
Pa Trustees  
D Edmunds for Te Korowai o Ngāruahine Trust  
J Inns for Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Ruanui Trust  
M Piripi for Te Kaahui o Rauru Trust  
A Irwin for Te Kāhui o Taranaki Iwi and Ngāti Mutunga  
N Milner for Te Atiawa Trust  
K Katipo and C Ratapu for Ngā Hapū o Mokau ki Runga

Minute: 9 June 2023

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**MINUTE OF CHURCHMAN J**  
**[Case Management Conferences 2023 – New Plymouth]**

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*CIV-2011-485-183 – Ngāa Rauru Kītahi*  
*CIV-2011-485-212 – Te Kāhui o Taranaki Iwi*

[1] Counsel for these applicants filed a joint memorandum dated 22 May 2023. The memorandum provides an update as to the progress of these applicants towards a hearing scheduled for February 2025.

[2] Everything seems to be on track. Counsel's attendance at the New Plymouth CMC scheduled for 21 June 2023 is therefore excused.

*CIV-2017-485-212 – Te Kāhui o Taranaki Iwi*  
*CIV-2017-485-215 – Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Mutunga*  
*CIV-2017-485-310 – Te Kotahitanga o Te Atiawa Trust*

[3] A joint memorandum was filed on behalf of these three applicants. All the applicants are pursuing a direct engagement process with the Crown. Accordingly, they do not seek any timetable directions.

[4] The memorandum recorded that counsel for Taranaki Iwi are in discussion with counsel for the South Taranaki groups as there is a small overlap with some of those groups at the south-eastern end of the Taranaki Iwi application. The Taranaki Iwi has expressly acknowledged that it shares interests there with Ngāruahine and/or hapū of Ngāruahine. Discussions are continuing between the parties on this matter.

[5] Counsel's attendance at the New Plymouth CMC scheduled for 21 June 2023 is excused. These matters are adjourned until the 2024 New Plymouth CMC.

*CIV-2017-485-209 – Ngā Hapū o Mokau ki Runga*

[6] This applicant has both a High Court application and is also pursuing the Crown engagement pathway. Its preference is to continue with the Crown engagement but it acknowledges that there are overlaps with other applications which are proceeding via the High Court and which will involve in Court hearings:

- (a) CIV-2017-404-526 – Te Rangikiawhiria Kemara on behalf of Ngā Tini Hapū o Maniapoto;
- (b) CIV-2017-404-534 – Ngāti Tama; and
- (c) CIV-2017-485-309 – Ngāti Mutunga o Wharekauri.

[7] Evidence preparation is underway both in respect of historical evidence and tangata whenua evidence engagement with overlapping claimants is also progressing.

[8] When a hearing is allocated, counsel suggests that there be separate hearings in respect of the two different parts of its application (CIV-2017-485-216 for the northern application, and CIV-2017-485-209 for the southern application).

[9] Counsel has proposed a draft hearing timetable.

[10] Counsel seeks a six-month adjournment to enable further discussions with overlapping parties in relation to the proposed timetable. A decision on that request will be deferred until the 21 June 2023 New Plymouth CMC.

[11] The request by counsel to appear by AVL at the 21 June 2023 CMC is granted. The CMC will proceed by way of VMR rather than in person.

*CIV-2017-485-301 – Te Awa Tupua and Ngā Hapū me Ngā Uri o Te Iwi o Whanganui*

[12] At counsel's request this Group N matter is to be called at the New Plymouth CMC. Counsel is to file an updating memoranda no later than 19 June 2023. Counsel should also contact the Registrar to make appropriate arrangements to attend by VMR.

*CIV-2017-404-536 – Ngāti Tama*

[13] No memorandum has been filed. A representative of the applicant is directed to contact the Registrar to make arrangements to attend the CMC on 21 June 2023 by VMR.

**Churchman J**