

PĀNUI TAKUTAI MOANA

August 2022 - Information for applicants

Tēnā koutou katoa, Pānui Takutai Moana provides you with the latest updates and developments that will help you with your application under the Takutai Moana Act 2011.

Funding Changes

In the previous Pānui we let you know that Cabinet agreed we can make changes to the takutai moana financial assistance scheme (the scheme). We also let you know that we were working towards getting all the changes made before the end of October this year. Changes are being made because of the feedback you gave us during our review of the scheme, what you told us about how you use the current scheme, and the findings and recommendations of the Waitangi Tribunal during stage 1 of its Wai 2660 kaupapa inquiry into the Takutai Moana Act 2011.

This Pānui describes some changes we have identified that we can make early and that will come into effect on 2 August 2022.

Change to upper funding limits (UFLs) and funding matrices

From 2 August, funding under a Crown engagement or High Court upper funding limit (UFL) will increase to \$458k for all takutai moana applicants. Updated matrices and guidelines are available on our website [here](#).

With the Crown engagement matrix, we have also combined the pre-engagement and terms of engagement milestones and tasks into a broader engagement milestone. This brings the matrices in line with the takutai moana engagement strategy.

Additional funding for Court hearings

Other changes to be implemented in October include reimbursement for actual and reasonable costs incurred for Court hearings. There are, however, some Court hearings already underway or scheduled to begin before then. As an interim step, we can confirm that applicants involved in these hearings will be able to have their actual and reasonable court-related costs reimbursed. We will write directly to these applicants.

What happens next?

We have updated the funding information on our website to reflect the changes described above. Please continue to submit reimbursement requests as usual.

You can also contact the takutai moana funding team with any questions at fundingtakutai@tearawhiti.govt.nz.

Kōrero Takutai Update

We have made some updates to Korero Takutai, our online geospatial mapping tool ([link](#)). The first map you see (the default map) is now the Ocean base map. That means you can see more information about the seabed, including depth and features such as reefs and channels. You can swap between base maps using the base map gallery tool and you can find the NZ Topographic maps and Hydrographic maps in the add data tool (search 'NZ Topo50' or 'Chart NZ'). We've also added a swipe tool, which provides more functions whilst you are using the tool. If you have any questions, please get in touch with us at korerotakutai@tearawhiti.govt.nz.

Nau mai, haere mai Jo Taite

On 18 July we welcomed Jo Taite, our new Takutai Moana Director, Ngāti Kahungunu ki Te Wairoa, Ngai Te Rangi. Jo has worked in community, iwi, and government organisations. We are excited to have Jo on board and welcome her expertise and broad range of experience. Nau mai haere mai Jo ki te kaupapa o Te Arawhiti me Te Kāhui Takutai Moana.

HOW TO CONTACT US

For any queries about this pānui please contact us at takutaimoana@tearawhiti.govt.nz.