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E te rangatira tēnā koe

**KURAHAUPO KI TE WAIPOUNAMU TRUST DEED OF MANDATE**

Thank you for submitting your Deed of Mandate to the Crown to negotiate an offer for the settlement of Kurahaupo (Ngāti Apa ki Te Ra To, Ngāti Kuia and Rangitāne Ō Wairau) historical Treaty claims.

We have concluded that Kurahaupo ki Te Waipounamu Trust has the support of Kurahaupo ki Te Waipounamu people and is an appropriate body to represent Ngāti Apa ki Te Ra To, Ngāti Kuia and Rangitāne Ō Wairau in settlement negotiations with the Crown.

We are pleased to recognise the mandate of the Kurahaupo ki Te Waipounamu Trust to represent the people of Ngāti Apa ki Te Ra To, Ngāti Kuia and Rangitāne Ō Wairau in negotiations for the comprehensive settlement of all historical claims. The mandate of the Kurahaupo Trust is recognised on the basis that Kurahaupo iwi continue to work together as a large natural group. If one iwi withdraws from the Trust (and therefore from the negotiations) the Crown will reassess whether to continue with negotiations.

Dean Cowie, (acting) Director of the Office of Treaty Settlements, will contact you shortly to discuss the next stage of the settlement process. We look forward to working with you.

Nā māua noa atu

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