

He whakaoho i te whenua ki ngā hua o Tāne, kia toitū a Papa, kia whai oranga mō te iwi, mā te iwi me ngā uri whakatipu.



WHENUA OHO

In this month's newsletter, we introduce our third and final team member, Te Kapunga Dewes, Te Tō – Chief Executive, we provide commentary on the Government's decision regarding the proposed ETS changes, we highlight a new initiative from MPI which aims to increase the number of advisers in the primary sector to support various entities including Māori landowners, and we celebrate the delivery of Whenua Oho's first Emissions Trading Scheme (ETS) seminar.



Te Tō – Chief Executive

Tēnā rā koutou, e ngā totara haemata o te wao nui a Tāne. Ko Te Kapunga Dewes tōku ingoa, ko au Te Tō o Whenua Oho. Nō Ngāti Porou, nō Te Arawa whānui, nō Te Whakatōhea hoki. With a small team, my role as Te Tō extends covers a range of activity across the breadth of the business, through landowner engagement, into investment and management enrolment, and into government agency relations. I am proud and excited to be a part of a service that has Māori and the environment at the forefront of our thinking. If you are considering developing your whenua, contact us either via our [website](#), [Facebook](#) page or [Google Maps](#).

Ministers Response to proposed ETS Changes

We are heartened with the recent announcement by Minister Shaw (Climate Change) and Minister Nash (Forestry) regarding the Government's reversal in excluding exotics from the permanent category of the ETS next year. Whilst it is reassuring to see that Ministers have listened to reason and more importantly to the interests of Māori and Māori landowners, had the government worked in partnership with Māori from the outset, the substantial negative consequences of mistrust and investment uncertainty would have been avoided. We must keep the permanent exotic category as a way of sustainably developing our marginal and under-developed lands until a better solution is found. We celebrate this decision with cautious optimism and Ministers have indicated we will have the opportunity to work directly with officials to design a process that will address concerns resulting from the decision. Stay tuned for updates as this work progresses.

Careers Pathway Scheme

Informing our Māori landowners of the [Careers Pathway Scheme](#) (CPS), a new initiative launched by the Te Manatū Ahu Matua | Ministry of Primary Industries (MPI) which aims to increase the number, capability and diversity of people providing primary industry advice to various groups including Māori landowners. For more information about this program, click on the above link.

ETS Seminar for Māori Landowners

Whenua Oho held its first ETS information seminar in Rotorua last week. This is the first in a series of seminars we aim deliver in the regions. These interactive seminars are designed to empower you as Māori landowners with information, to demystify the complexities of the ETS and present it in a way that is relevant to you as Māori trusts, landowners, and shareholders.

Stay tuned for information about our next wānanga coming soon.



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