River Management through FMPs

A change in the direction of river management in the Ruamāhanga catchment

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Outline

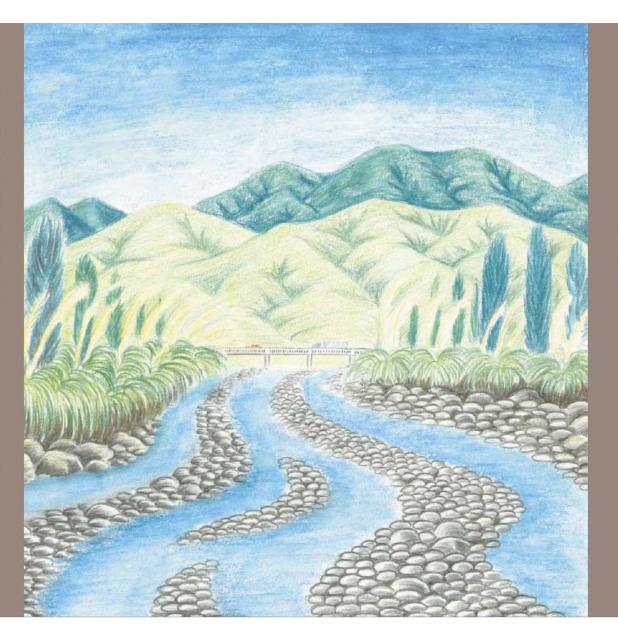
- What is a Floodplain Management Plan?
- FMP objectives
- FMP opportunities
- FMP process and status
- Questions and discussion



What is a FMP?

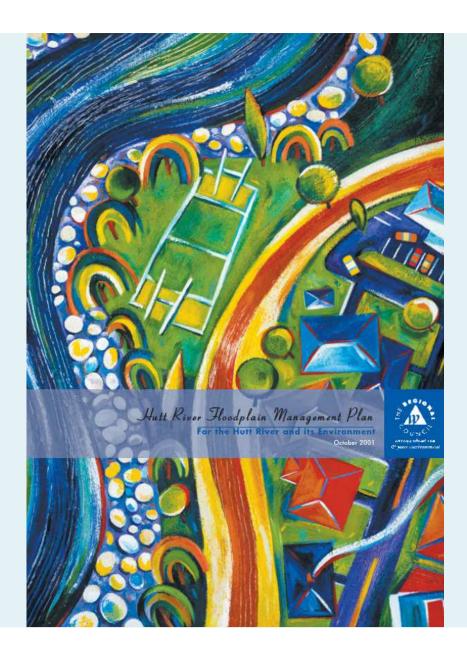
Long-term plan for sustainable management of a flood/erosion problem

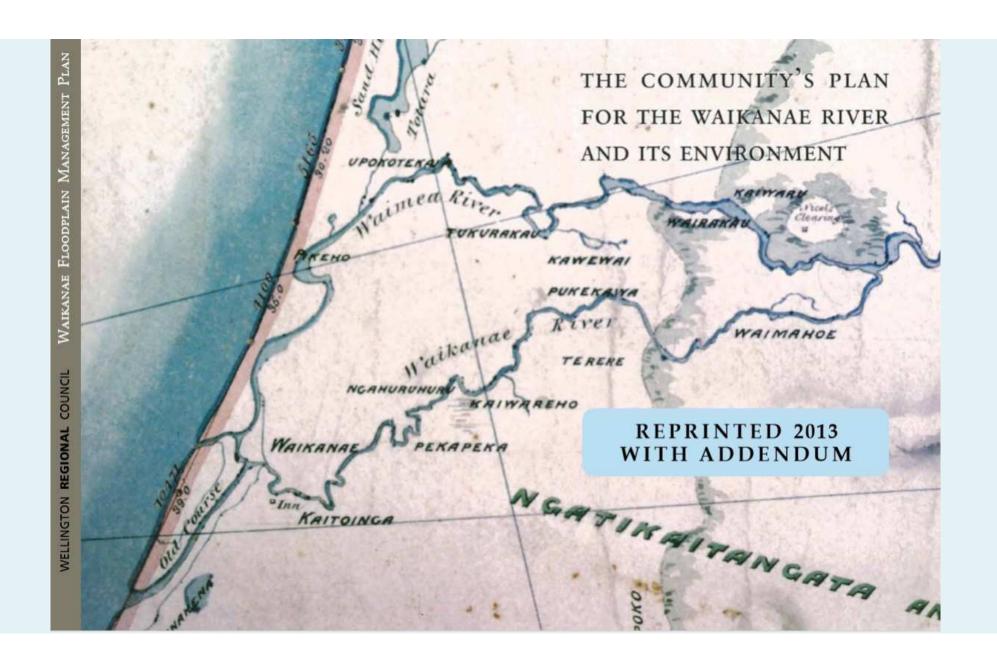




OTAKI FLOODPLAIN
MANAGEMENT PLAN
for the Otaki River
and its environment







FMP questions (examples)

- What is the problem?
- What are the opportunities?
- What do we want the river(s) to look like in the future?
- What tools should we use in managing the risk?



FMP outcomes

- Non-structural
- Structural
- River management
- Emergency management



Te Kāuru FMP - Vision

A connected, resilient, prosperous and sustainable community, proud of its rivers, that is involved in managing flood risks in a manner that recognises local identity and protects, enhances or restores natural and cultural value.



Te Kāuru FMP - Aims



- To work together to develop a sustainable floodplain management plan
- To support economic development
- To protect and improve the cultural values of rivers
- To recognise local community needs and build resilient communities
- To protect and enhance our natural spaces





What this might look like

- More river buffer
- Permanent works at problem spots
- Improved biodiversity
- More holistic approaches to management
- Support for community projects and ideas



Examples









Where we are up to

- Waiohine draft FMP for public consultation (Phase 3/3)
- TKURFMP refinement of options (Phase 2/3)



Opportunities to share

- Eg meeting that Alistair is organising
- Help to inform your community engagement
- Teams are available to sit down with you or site visit knowledge sharing
- Waiohine public consultation events



Questions and discussion

