

ATTACHMENT F: WAIKATO IWI MANAGEMENT PLAN

Watercare has taken particular note of the following matters:

- a) Cultural and spiritual integrity: the protection of the physical, cultural and spiritual integrity of the Manuka and its catchments (Page 75).
- b) Coastal areas: participation with Huakina and Marae of the Waikato upholding ahi kaa or their hapu in any development or initiative that impacts on the Coastal Marine Area ("**CMA**") (Page 76).
- c) Aquifers: participation with Huakina and Marae of the Waikato upholding ahi kaa on all issues concerning the aquifers of Papatuanuku (Page 76).
- d) Air: the protection of the physical, cultural and spiritual integrity of the air of the Manuka and its catchments (Page 82).
- e) Earthworks: all excavation and earthworks, especially those related to subdivision, must avoid or minimise by all means possible the transportation of sediments to our waterways (Page 85).
- f) Waahi Tapu: waahi tapu is an issue that only those holding mana o te whenua status can define and identify. Only they can state why such an area or entity is waahi tapu. Only they can determine the level or type of protection necessary to ensure their protection (Page 89).

It is important to ensure that the needs and aspirations of the people in relation to their waahi tapu are understood, recognised, and provided for by external agencies' (Page 90).

- g) Cultural heritage and spiritual values: old pa sites, burial grounds, and waahi tapu are a continual reminder of Maori history and of spiritual values. The remnants of past shellfish beds and fishing stations provide other reminders. The attachment of the Maori to the place of past events and circumstances gives substance to a history that is still very much alive and relived. The protection of such places is essential to the continuance of Maoritanga (Page 104).