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Box Name: EKMT-00017

Subject: 54/16/0 - Reclamation - General West Coast (1981-85)

43/60/6

23 November 1981

The Engineer Ragian Harbour Board P.O. Box 1 NGARJAWAHIA

Dear Sir

RECLAMATION : PURIRI STREET

I refer to your letter of 16 September 1981 which has been referred to this office for reply.

The area of reclamation will require authorisation in terms of section 175(3) and 178(b) of the Harbours Act 1950 and therefore it will be necessary that the procedures as set out in section 175A be complied with. For your information and guidance, I enclose a booklet entitled "A Guide to Reclamation Procedures" which gives details as to the requirements to be met.

When the information, plans and environmental documentation has been prepared, these should be forwarded to the Ministry for further action.

Yours faithfully

T.B. Law for Secretary for Transport

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Regional Secretary Ministry of Transport Private Bag AUCKLAND

Attention: P.D. Spackman

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RAGLAN HARBOUR BOARD

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P.O. BOX 1 NGARUAWAHIA TELEPHONE 8633 NGARUAWAHIA RAGLAN WHARF PHONE 121 RAGLAN

Our Ref.: R 2/20/2

Your Ref.: 43/60/6

3 December 1981

The Secretary for Transport, Ministry of Transport, Marine Division, Private Bag, WELLINGTON.

Dear Sir,



Reclamation - Puriri Street

I acknowledge your letter of 23 November 1981 and advise that as the work is above the range of the tidal line, the application will not be proceeded with.

Yours faithfully,

R.B. Murray, COUNTY ENGINEER.

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MINUTE SHEET Department: MOI. Subject: RAGLAN HBR BOALD File No. 54/4 + 10/28 RECLAMATION Date: 2.10.81 RULIRI STREET Please find enclosed drawings and copy of Head Office. Yould you please advise the Raglan Harbour seo (Hors) inspection will be carried out when

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RAGLAN HARBOUR BOARD





P.O. BOX 1 NGARUAWAHIA TELEPHONE 8633 NGARUAWAHIA HARBOUR AGENT 8736 RAGLAN

Our Ref.: R 2/20



16 September 1981

Regional Secretary for Transport, Marine Division, Ministry of Transport, Private Bag, AUCKLAND.

Dear Sir,

Reclamation - Puriri Street

The Board has received an approach from the Raglan Lions Club to allow the development of an area at the junction of Wallis Street (S.H. 23) and Puriri Street for public recreation purposes, including filling and culverting, grassing, erection of picnic tables, etc, and a facility for the launching of small sailboats.

The work is shown on our Drawing No. 2954 (copies enclosed) and is based on the reclamation of an area of land of some 800m^2 area, which dries at early stages of the ebb tide. It will thus need approval from your office.

Application is thus made for approval to carry out the work in accordance with the Drawing. Kindly advise whether any further information is required.

Yours faithfully,

R.B. Murray, ENGINEER.

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HEAD OFFICE

Regional Office, AUCKLAND

Attn: Mr O.J. Consay

7 August 1978 ...

RAGIAN : CAUSENAY RECLAMATION : ARO ARO CREEK

On 2 August 1978 an inspection was made of the causeway across the Aro Aro Creek and the adjoining area.

The inspection was divided into three sections:-

- 1. The Causeway and floodgate.
- 2. The accreted area directly behind the causeway.
- 3. The public reserve and football field adjoining the accreted area.

The causeway is located a short distance away from the main street of Raglan. A sealed road runs along on top of the causeway and a metalled road runs down the right hand side of the adjoining areas. The left hand side of the accreted area is bound by a steep wooded bank. Farmland adjoins the football field and reserve.

1. Causeway

The causeway looks like it has been in place for some years. A well constructed steel floodgate is located at ground level in a concrete surround. At high water it would appear to be completely covered by the tide. The gate which measures about 20% in diameter looks to be still operable.

2. Accreted Area

This area is directly behind the causeway. It would measure approximately 400 yards long by 300 yards wide. Wet swamp covers much of the area especially down both sides, but in the centre and far end by the football field, the ground has accreted to form a dry firm sandy base. Vehicles have driven over this accreted land and in fact, it would appear to be used as a parking area for the sports ground.

The swamp to the left of the area has been drained by a three foot deep drain expanded across the end by the football field then down the length of the swamp area, draining out to the floodgate.

No mangroves are growing in this area behind the causeway, all the swamp being covered by thick rushes and swampgrass. It would appear by the dead nature of the grass that it had been sprayed sometime in the past. No bird or wildlife was observed in this area in fact it had a look of neglect and desolation.

3. Reclaimed and levelled reserve

Immediately adjoining the accreted area but separated by a drain is a grassed and levelled reserve. This contains two football fields and an area of grass around the outside. Dressing sheds and a training shed have been built at the end where it adjoins the accreted area. This would appear to be a well looked after amenity enjoyed by the local population.

Conclusions

If the floodgate is left closed and the area kept as it is now, it would only be a matter of time before the mole area accreted over. It would also be very susceptible to unauthorised tipping. If the Council has definite plans for this area, it would be better to reclaim the land and tidy it up now, rather than wait for accretion to cour.

If the floodgate was opened and the flow of seawater resumed, it would probably restore the plant life in time. I very much doubt that the football field would flood or the centre accreted area. The flooding of sea water would probably only cover the areas already in swamp. The accreted area used as car park would also probably remain unaffected.

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P.D. Spackman Foreshores Advisory Officer In discussion with Mr Hill, who represents the Order, I told him that if reclamation is sought for a small portion for pensioner housing the Council will no doubt be interested in a total reclamation. No doubt he will enter into discussion and consult other agencies such as Wildlife Division of Internal Affairs and Agriculture and Fisheries.

As a point of interest I understand from him that the area has degraded from its full marine environment and if the floodgate, which is possibly not fully effective, remains then eventually the whole area would become land.

I propose to put my file under bring up for six months when I will seek further advice from the Council about opening the floodgate, unless of course further interest in reclamation is received.

O.J. Conway for Secretary for Transport

Regional Marine Officer Private Bag AUCKLAND

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For your information. On your next visit into this area could you report on the floodgate in the causeway across the Aro Aro Creek and also the condition of the land behind. We have not written before on this subject. A copy of the plan referred to in the memorandum to Land & Survey is attached.

O.J. Con or for Transport

Encl.

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23 June 1978

Director-General
Department of Lands & Survey
Private Bag
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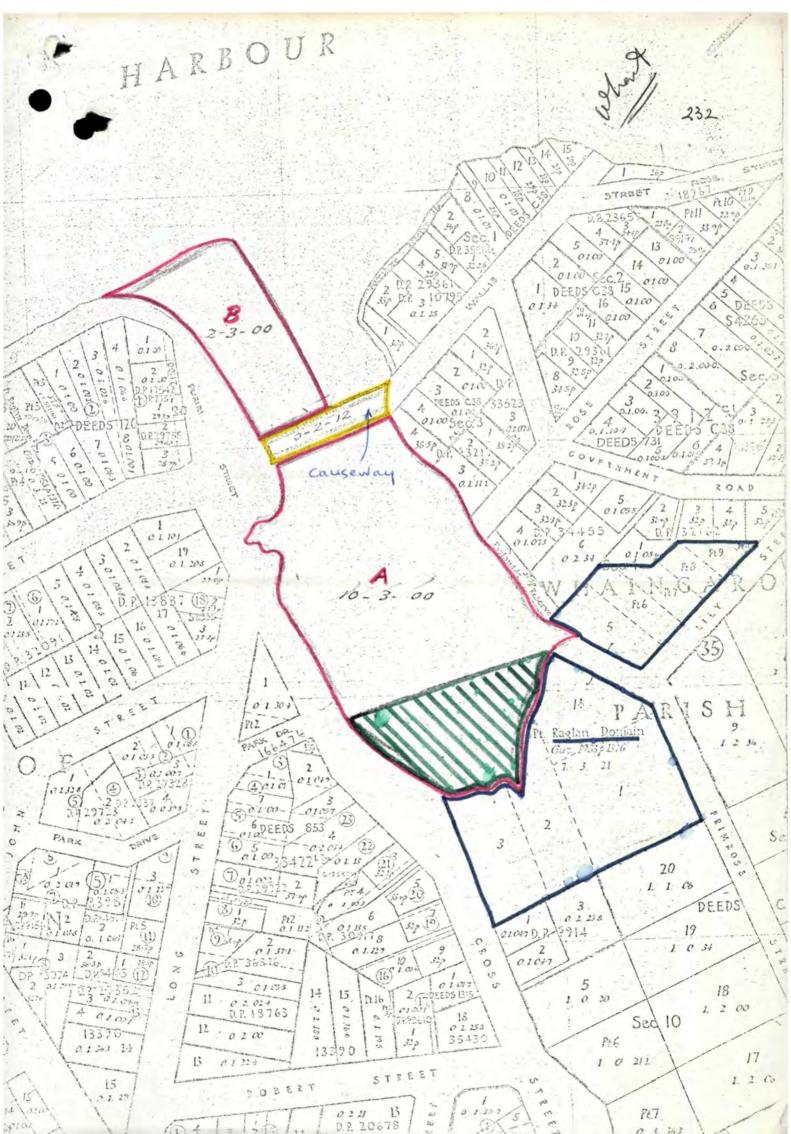
RAGLAN : CAUSEWAY RECLAMATION YOUR REFERENCE : 22/1678

I refer to your memorandum of 5 April 1978 in which you discuss the views expressed about the extent of land acreted in the Aro Aro Creek at Raglan and this Ministry's views.

As you are aware our attitude towards reclamations is now fairly clear in that those seeking authority to reclaim must be prepared to substantiate the need and so forth. Bearing this in mind the correspondence of some five or six mears ago will be affected by this attitude but I do agree that technically any obstruction such as a floodgate which stops the free ebb and flow of the tide creates a reclamation situation. However this is a situation which can be corrected by the simple expedient of removing the floodgate.

To update the situation I therefore confirm that:-

- (1) The area shown hatched green, on the plan under discussion, can be regarded as Crown land available for disposal.
- (2) That the balance of the area behind the causeway is not reclaimed and therefore not available for dipposal. (This is because the floodgate can be removed, a matter yet to be considered because I now understand the football field etc; i.e. the "green" area would NOT be flooded by such action).
- (3) That if the Council or anyone else, for example the Order of Saint Lazarus, wants to reclaim the area an Order In-Council would need to be sought pursuant to the provisions of Section 175 of the Harbours Act 1950.



The Secretary Department of Internal Affairs Private Bag WELLINGTON Attention : Mr G. Adams ARO ARO CREEK : RAGLAN Attached is a copy of a report from our Auckland Office together with photographs which I would like returned. In referring this matter to you we are seeking your views on the value of the area which has now largely had its environment altered. The Causeway road across the creek has had a flood-gate in operation for very many years. Our view is that as the free ebb and flow of the tide has been prevented the area is effectively "under reclamation" and no authority exists in that respect. There are options available: Have the area officially granted for reclamation and to let the present circumstances officially exist which will lead to the ultimate complete drying out of the area except for the Creek waters. (b) Have the flood-gate removed and allow the tidal influence to recommence. It may be that local acceptance of the present area could determine suggestion (a) as being the acceptable proposition. If however you consider that there are very valid reasons why the tidal action should not be restricted, we would appreciate your views and comment on the time it might take for the area to re-establish itself as a tidal area. It was a request, not so far proceeded with, for a small portion of that area to be used for pensioner housing (Order of St. Lazarus) which drew this matter to our attention but otherwise there have been no issues raised "for or against" the present state of the Creek. for Secretary for Transport

43/60/6

29 August 1978



Regional Marine Officer AUCKLAND

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For your information. Thank you very much for your report and photographs which you forwarded under your file reference 50/54/4 on 7 August 1978.

O.J. Conway

for Secretary for Transport

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54/4 Your Ref: 20/1376

HARBOURS & PORESHORES

15 July 1985

The Commissioner of Crown Lands Department of Lands & Survey P.O. Box 460 HAMILTON

Attention: R. Donnelly

HANGAOKENA STREAM BED

Your letter of 5 July 1985, reference 20/1376, is acknowledged.

We have forwarded your request to the office of the Secretary.

for Transport, who will be in contact with you in due course.

J. H. Dean for Regional Secretary for Transport

SEO (Hbrs) HEAD OFFICE

Enclosed for your action is correspondence concerning the vesting of the Mangaokewa stream bed.

J. M. Dean for Regional Secretary for Transport

Encl.

DEPARTMENT OF LANDS AND SURVEY

TELEGRAPHIC ADDRESS: 'LANDS'

FOR VERBAL INQUIRIES
PLEASE ASK FOR M r R Donnelly

TELEPHONE No.

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OUR REFERENCE:

20/1376

YOUR REFERENCE:

DISTRICT OFFICE, P.O. BOX 460

HAMILTON



5 July 1985

Regional Secretary Ministry of Transport Private Bag AUCKLAND

ATTENTION Regional Marine Officer

O'HALLORAN - MANGAOKEWA STREAM BED

Your consent is sought to the vesting of part of the Mangaokewa Stream bed, now dry, in the adjoining owner in fee simple. Please advise the manner in which freehold title can issue for the former stream bed.

O'Halloran is the registered proprietor of all of the land comprised in Certificate of Title 24C/14 (South Auckland Registry). You will note from the attached copy of the title that the generally northwestern portion of the land is separated from the balance of the land by the bed of the Mangaokewa Stream. Some 40 or more years ago, the stream was diverted by the Mangapu Drainage Board as shown on the attached copy of SO Plan 47449 but no action was taken to legalise the situation. An attempt was made in 1972 to remedy matters and an exchangee agreement was entered into between O'Halloran and the Crown - see copy annexed. Area B on SO Plan 47449 was taken for a drain by New Zealand Gazette 1975/2232. For some unexplained reason, the dry stream bed (Area A on the plan) was not contemporaneously vested in O'Halloran in fee simple.

I now seek to perfect the agreement by having Area A vest in O'Halloran.

According to my survey records Area A was a navigable river. The bed of the stream, therefore, vested in the Crown by Section 206 of the Coal Mines Act 1925 but, although dry, is not Crown land subject to the Land Act 1948.

Yours faithfully

R Donnelly for Commissioner of Crown Lands

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REGISTER

CERTIFICATE OF TITLE UNDER LAND TRANSFER ACT

This Certificate dated the 13th day of November one thousand nine hundred and seventy-eight under the seal of the District Land Registrar of the Land Regulation District of SOUTH AUCKLAND being a Certificate in lieu of Grant, WITNESSETH that JOHN O'HALLORAN of Te Kuiti farmer

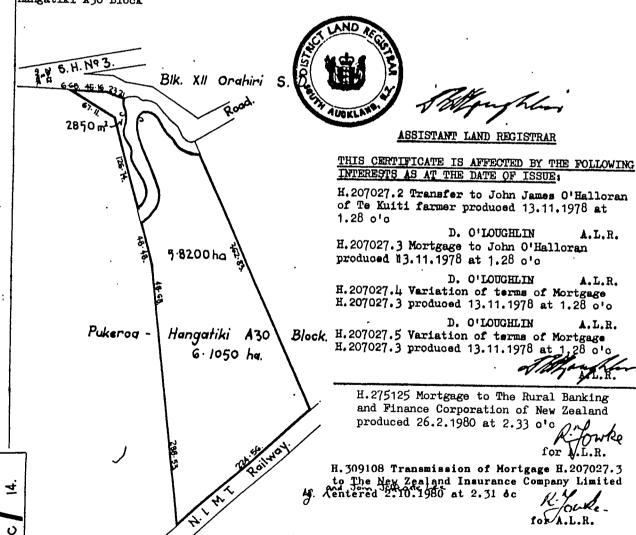
is seised of an estate in fee simple (subject to such reservations, restrictions, encumbrances, liens, and interests as are notified by memorial underwritten or endorsed hereon) in the land hereinaster described, delineated with bold black lines on the plan hereon, be the several admeasurements a little more or less, which said land was originally acquired by Hohipera Tuawaerenga

as from the 30th day of June

Measurements are Metric

one thousand nine hundred and thirty-six

under The Maori Land Act 1931 that is to say: All unit parcelsof land containing together 6.1050 HECTARES more or less being Pukeroa Hangatiki A30 Block



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H.521428 Statutory Land Charge under The Rural Housing Act 1939 by The Waitomo District Council entered 19.4.1984 at 9.12 o'c

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APPLICATION FOR EXCHANGE ORDER

THE MAORI AFFAIRS ACT 1953 SECTION 187

In the Maori Land Court
of New Zealand
Waikato Maniapoto District

I JOHN O'HALLORAN of Otorohanga, Farmer being the owner of land described in the First Schedule hereto, being desirous of exchanging the same for the interest in land described in the Second Schedule hereto.

AND I ALBERT EDWARD TURLEY Commissioner of Crown Lands for the South Auckland Land District, on behalf of HER MAJESTY THE QUEEN the owner of the interest in land described in the Second Schedule hereto, and being desirous of exchanging the same for the interest in land described in the said First Schedule, hereby apply to the Court for an Order of Exchange.

It is agreed that no payment of equality of exchange be made but that the costs of survey will be the responsibility of the Crown.

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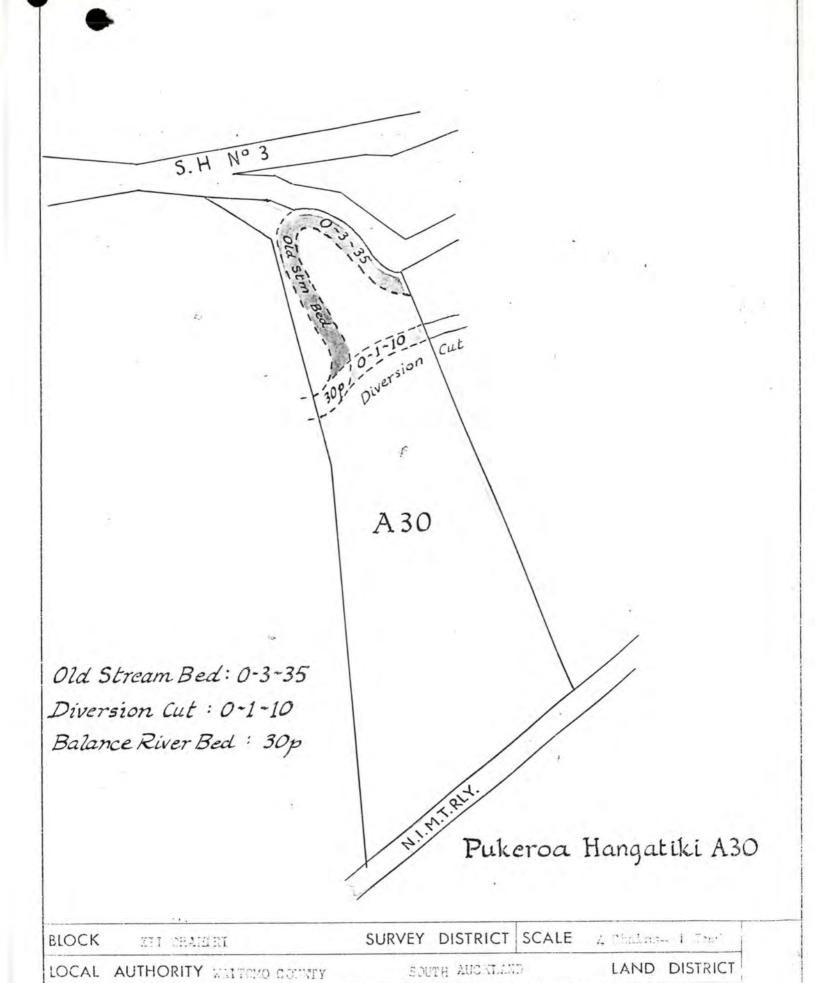
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First Schedule

That part of Maori Freehold land known as Pukeroa Hangatiki A30 at present covered by the present course of the Mangaokewa River as a result of a diversion made of the stream by the Mangapu Drainage Board many years ago

Second Schedule

That part of the original bed of the Mangaokewa River lying within the boundaries of Pukeroa Hangatiki A30 Block from which the River has been diverted being Crown Land by reason of Section 206 of the Coal Mine H: Act 1925.



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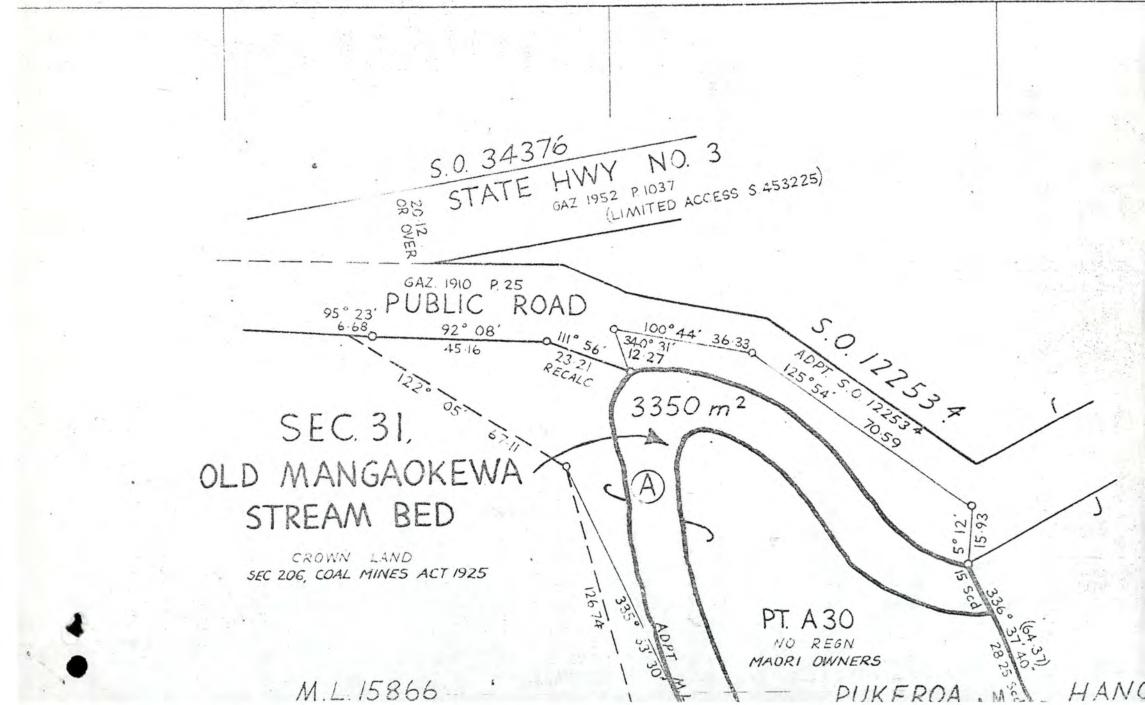
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Approvals

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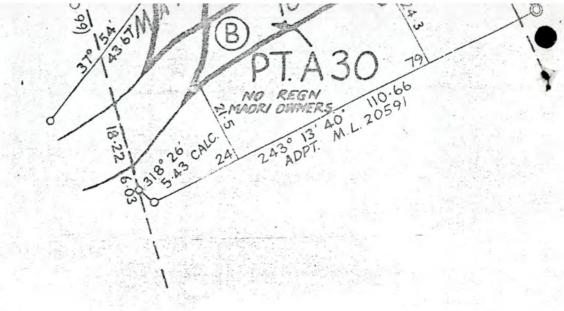
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1. Christchurch. New Zealand.

W.S.Boyes, Surveyor-General, Department of Lands and Survey, Wellington

WAITOMO

J. M. HARRIS

LOCAL AUTHORITY
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OLD MANGAOKEWA STREAM BED CROWN LAND SEC 206, COAL MINES ACT 1925 PT A2 PT. A 30 PUKEROA M.S.

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JAMES MAX WELL HARRIS of TE KUITI

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54/16/1 16 May 1985 The Chief Engineer Otorohanga District Council P.O. BOX 11 OTOROHANGA Dear Sir RECLAMATION : KAWHIA HARBOUR Further to our letter of 13 November 1984 concerning the Council's proposed reclamation - file 9/1/3. As the results of the Waitangi Tribunal Hearings will not be known till at the earliest, November 1985, plans for the reclamation have been approved in terms of the Harbours Act 1950. a copy of the approved plans are attached. The Council is recommended to take the Tribunal's findings into consideration when they become known. Yours faithfully M.P. Boland for Secretary for Transport Encl Regional Secretary AUCKLAND Attention: P.D., Spackman 16B5/Trv



MINISTRY of TRANSPORT

AURORA HOUSE 62 THE TERRACE WELLINGTON NEW ZEALAND PRIVATE BAG, WELLINGTON TELEPHONE: 721 253 TELEX No.: NZ 31524

WHEN REPLYING PLEASE QUOTE

54/37/0

12 May 1986

Regional Secretary MOT AUCKLAND

Attention: Harbours and Foreshores

SPOIL DUMPING : PATI BRIDGE KAWHIA

My previous memoranda of 24 April and 4^{-} July 1985, and 7 March 1986 refer.

Would you please advise when I may expect to receive your report on the above work. I have recently been contacted by the Wildlife Service seeking an update.

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for Secretary for Transport



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HARBOURS & FOR SHORES SECTION

S.E.O. (Hbrs) Head Office WELLINGTON

9 May 1986

Attention: R. Allen

SPOIL DUMPING : PUTI BRIDGE : KAWHIA HARBOUR

Further to your memorandum of 7 March 1986, your reference 54/37/0 refers.

The above site was inspected on 29 April 1986. It was found that there was no signs of any spoil or vegetation being dumped on the foreshore in the vicinity of the approaches to the Puti Bridge.

- Photographs of the area are enclosed for your information.
 - I also inspected areas of foreshore around other bridges in the harbour.

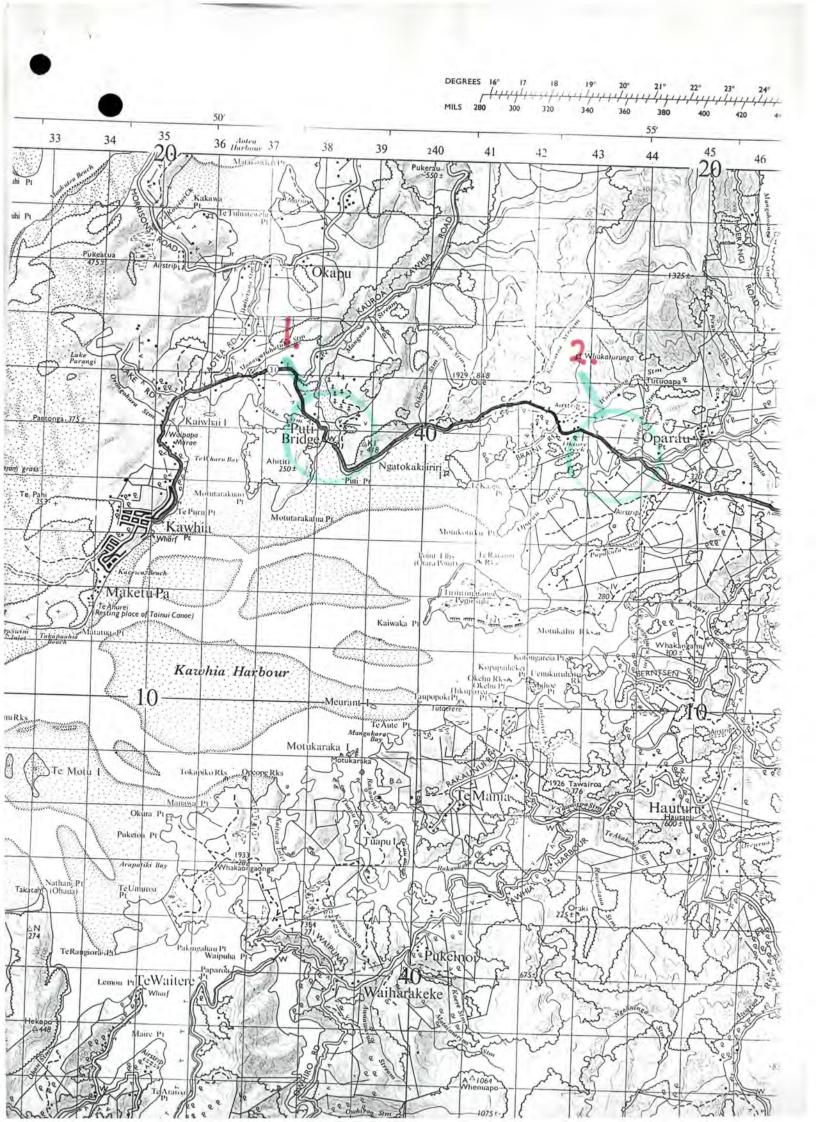
 There was only one possible dumping of vegetation, and that was adjacent to the Operau River Bridge. However, this is very minor and possibly only caused by erosion.
- Photographs of this area are also enclosed for your information.

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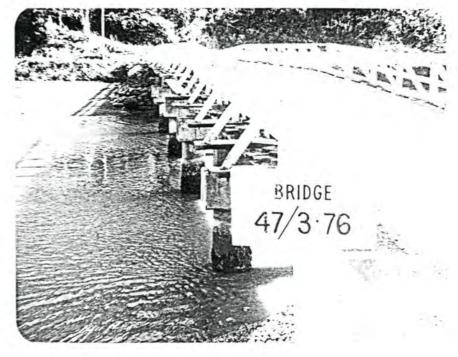
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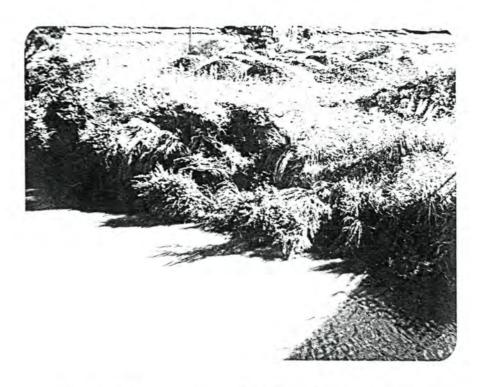
PHOLOGRAPHS OF PLITE BRIDGE: KAWHIA HARBOUR





PHOTOGRAPHS OF OPARAU RIVER BRIDGE : KAWHIA LIARBOUR





PHOTOGRAPH OF AREA MARKET A'

MINISTRY of TRANSPORT



AURORA HOUSE 62 THE TERRACE WELLINGTON NEW ZEALAND PRIVATE BAG, WELLINGTON TELEPHONE: 721 253 TELEX No.: NZ 31524

WHEN REPLYING 54/37/0 PLEASE QUOTE

7 March 1986

The Regional Secretary AUCKLAND

Attention: Harbours and Foreshores

SPOIL DUMPING, PUTI BRIDGE

Frefer to our memoranda of 24 April 1985 and 4 July 1985 concerning the above.

Enclosed is a copy of correspondence from the Wildlife Service and our reply. I am unable to find any approvals that have been granted for rubbish or spoil dumping in this area. Few, if any, applications would be approved especially in such an environmentally sensitive area.

Would you please investigate and advise of the current situation regarding spoil dumping at Puti Bridge, Kawhia.

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Ruth Allen for Secretary for Transport

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24 April 1985

The Director
Wildlife Service
Department of Internal Affairs
Private Bag
WELLINGTON

Attention: Mr J. Flemming

SPOIL DUMPING : PUTI BRIDGE, KAWHIA (YOUR REFERENCE WIL 37/4/2)

I thank you for your memorandum of 17 April advising the Ministry of the rubbish and spoil dumping that has been occurring at this location. Your concern in this matter is shared by myself. All reclamations of land below the mean high water springs mark must be approved under Section 175 of the Harbours Act. The Ministry's policy is to oppose new applications for refuse tipping, and spoil dumping will also be opposed unless there is a very good reason for it. In this case that seems unlikely.

The Auckland Regional Secretary has been advised of the situation and the matter will be investigated in due course.

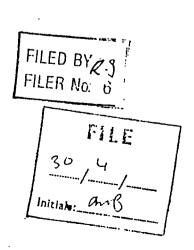
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WILDLIFE SERVICE DEPARTMENT OF INTERNAL AFFAIRS

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Address Correspondence to Secretary for Internal Affairs

Enquiries to

Private Bag, Wellington, N.Z.

Telephone 738 699

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17 April 1985

Secretary of Transport, Ministry of Transport, Harbours & Foreshore Division Private Bag, WELLINGTON

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING : PROPOSED PUTI BRIDGE REPLACEMENT STATE HIGHWAY NO. 31 KAWHIA

Please note the concern, in the enclosed letter, about undesirable reclamation by spoil dumping and the recommendations of our Hamilton Wildlife Officer. Could you please take the matter up with your Northern office so that an inspection and appropriate action is taken to alleviate this concern in consultation with the Council and Ministry of Works and Development.

John Hanning

(John Flemming) for Director, Wildlife Service

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P O Box 978 HAMILTON

The District Commissioner of Works Ministry of Works and Development Private Bag HAMILTON

Attention: John Lendrem

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING: PROPOSED PUTI BRIDGE REPLACEMENT STATE HIGHWAY NO 31 KAWHIA

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Otorohanga District Council's scheme assessment of the above.

Due mainly to its relatively clean and intact state its large size and ecological diversity Kawhia harbour has been ranked as being of "Outstanding" wildlife habitat value. A wide range of wading birds including crakes, rails and the endangered black stilt use the harbour and its environs. This Department would be opposed to any scheme which jeopardised these values.

Channel span options: Based on information collected during a 5 day survey of the harbour in 1980 coupled with recent inspection of the bridge and its environs I would generally concur with the District Council's assessment that no significant ecological impacts would be expected if either the a or b options were pursued.

With relation to the permanent bridge options however, more serious impacts may result - especially if tidal velocities and patterns are altered. My particular concern at this stage with either of these options would centre on the extention of the causeway to allow for a shorter bridge. Considering that in terms of its wildlife values the Mangaora Arm is probably already under some stress due to accelerated erosion and active reclamation of peripheral areas, any further loss of rush zones, beaches or mud flats should be viewed with concern.

In light of the relative importance to wildlife of peripheral areas of the harbour such as the Mangaora Arm, coupled with the comparitively small stream flows, involved, this Department would be opposed to either of the culvert options.

PPOP ED PUTI BRIDGE REPLACEMENT 12-April 1985

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A SAUNDERS for Director of Wildlife



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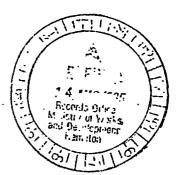
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District Commissioner of Works

ATTENTION D T Crossman



SPOIL DUMPING: STATE HIGHWAY 31: PUTI BRIDGE APPROACH

With reference to your 13/108/1 of 9 August 1985 which covered a letter from the Ministry of Transport expressing concern that spoil and vegetation had been dumped into the Kawhia Harbour on the eastern approaches to the Puti Bridge on State Highway 31.

I referred this matter to the controlling authority for this highway the Otorohanga District Council and requested they report on the subject.

During a highway inspection with the Council's Deputy Engineer on the 19 July 1985, we further discussed this subject and viewed the site.

On the southern or left hand side of the eastern approach to the Puti Bridge there has been a general clean up and landscape operation carried out. The bare ground is to be grassed and stabilised with vegetation. It is doubtful that this activity has encroached into the Harbour.

On the northern or right hand side of the bridge approach beside the existing picnic area, there has been some spoil dumped.

The scale of the problem is relatively minor in comparison to natural spoil dumping or erosion slips around the harbour. The Council's Engineer will be replying in writing regarding this problem and with an appropriate remedial proposal. Once this reply has been received it may well be opportune for a joint inspection of the site with Ministry of Transport and/or Wild Life representatives.

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Naturally our mutual concern is to ensure a good working relationship with these two departments as it is intended to replace the existing Puti Bridge within the foreseeable future.

A C MacKenzie

Manager

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The District Commissioner of Works Ministry of Works and Development Private-Bag HAMILTON HARBOURS & FORESHORES SECTION

8 May 1985

SPOIL DUMPING : PUTI BRIDGE : KAWHIA

This Ministry has been advised by the Wildlife Service, that a considerable amount of spoil and vegetation has been dumped over embankments on the eastern approach causeway to the above bridge.

This Ministry is opposed to any such unauthorised dumpings. We have in the past been given assurances from your Head Office in Wellington, that no such dumpings would take place without our consent.

Would you please ensure that the above area is tidied up by removing the spoil, and advise this office accordingly.

MM.

M. R. Biddle for Regional Secretary for Transport

Secretary for Internal Affairs Wildlife Service Department of Internal Affairs Private Bag WELLINGTON

Attention: Mr J. Fleming

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M. R. Biddle for Regional Secretary for Transport BRING-UP 30/5/85

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WHEN REPLYING PLEASE QUOTE

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24 April 1985

The Regional Secretary AUCKLAND

HARBOURS AND FORESHORES : SPOIL DUMPING, PUTI BRIDGE, KAWHIA

Enclosed is correspondence forwarded to us by the Wildlife Service regarding this matter. No approvals have been granted by Head Office for rubbish or spoil dumping in this area. You will note the Ministry's policy on these - all applications would be opposed, especially in such an environmentally sensitive area. Unauthorised dumping is an offence under Section 242 of the Harbours Act.

Would you please investigate the situation.

I have replied to the Wildlife Service; a copy of the memo is enclosed.

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R.Murray-Brown for Secretary for Transport

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17 April 1985

Secretary of Transport, Ministry of Transport, Harbours & Foreshore Division Private Bag, WELLINGTON

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING : PROPOSED PUTI BRIDGE REPLACEMENT STATE HIGHWAY NO. 31 KAWHIA

Please note the concern, in the enclosed letter, about undesirable reclamation by spoil dumping and the recommendations of our Hamilton Wildlife Officer. Could you please take the matter up with your Northern office so that an inspection and appropriate action is taken to alleviate this concern in consultation with the Council and Ministry of Works and Development.

John Hamming

(John Flemming) for Director, Wildlife Service Bridge approaches: During my recent inspection I noted that a considerable amount of spoil and vegetation has been dumped over embankments - particularly on the eastern approach causeway. This material has spilled on to sensitive estuarine rush zones as well as on to the narrow beach and the low tide mud flats. As mentioned earlier, any further reclamation of estuarine areas here should be carefully balanced against the likely ecological costs.

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A SAUNDERS for Director of Wildlife

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12 April 1985

P O Box 978 HAMILTON

The District Commissioner of Works Ministry of Works and Development Private Bag HAMILTON

Attention: John Lendrem

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING: PROPOSED PUTI BRIDGE REPLACEMENT STATE HIGHWAY NO 31 KAWHIA

Thank you for the opportunity to comment on the Otorohanga District Council's scheme assessment of the above.

Due mainly to its relatively clean and intact state its large size and ecological diversity Kawhia harbour has been ranked as being of "Outstanding" wildlife habitat value. A wide range of wading birds including crakes, rails and the endangered black stilt use the harbour and its environs. This Department would be opposed to any scheme which jeopardised these values.

Channel span options: Based on information collected during a 5 day survey of the harbour in 1980 coupled with recent inspection of the bridge and its environs I would generally concur with the District Council's assessment that no significant ecological impacts would be expected if either the a or b options were pursued.

with relation to the permanent bridge options however, more scrious impacts may result - especially if tidal velocities and patterns are altered. My particular concern at this stage with either of these options would centre on the extention of the causeway to allow for a shorter bridge. Considering that in terms of its wildlife values the Mangaora Arm is probably already under some stress due to accelerated erosion and active reclamation of peripheral areas, any further loss of rush zones, beaches or mud flats should be viewed with concern.

In light of the relative importance to wildlife of peripheral areas of the harbour such as the Mangaora Arm, coupled with the comparitively small stream flows, involved, this Department would be opposed to either of the culvert options.

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24 April 1985

The Director
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Attention: Mr J. Flemming

SPOIL DUMPING : PUTI BRIDGE, KAWHIA (YOUR REFERENCE WIL 37/4/2)

I thank you for your memorandum of 17 April advising the Ministry of the rubbish and spoil dumping that has been occurring at this location. Your concern in this matter is shared by myself. All reclamations of land below the mean high water springs mark must be approved under Section 175 of the Harbours Act. The Ministry's policy is to oppose new applications for refuse tipping, and spoil dumping will also be opposed unless there is a very good reason for it. In this case that seems unlikely.

The Auckland Regional Secretary has been advised of the situation and the matter will be investigated in due course.

R. Murray-Brown for Secretary for Transport

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Mrb : SMH

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HARBOURS & FORESHORES

10 July 1985

The District Commissioner of Works Ministry of Works and Development Private Bag HAMILTON

SPOIL DUMPING , PUTT BRIDGE , KAWHIA

Further to our memorandum of 8 May 1985 concerning the above.

Would you please advise if the area where the spoil was dumped, has been tidied up.

N. R. Biddle
for Regional Secretary for Transport

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12/8/85



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4 July 1985

The Regional Secretary AUCKLAND

HARBOURS AND FORESHORES: SPOIL DUMPING, PUTI BRIDGE, KAWHIA

Further to my memo of 24 April, please advise on the situation regarding this illegal dumping.

R Murray-Brown

for Secretary for Transport

