



Freshwater Improvement Fund

Expressions of Interest – 2020 Freshwater Improvement Fund Round 3

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Text boxes have word limits placed on them, please follow the guidance indicated against each section.

SECTION A: Applicant details

1. Organisation name	Porirua City Council with Sustainable Coastlines and Ngāti Toa
2. Legal entity status:	<input type="checkbox"/> Incorporated society <input type="checkbox"/> Cooperative company <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Charitable trust <input type="checkbox"/> Regional council <input type="checkbox"/> Limited partnership <input type="checkbox"/> Unitary authority <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Māori trust board <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Territorial authority <input type="checkbox"/> Limited liability company <input type="checkbox"/> Other If 'Other' please specify:
3. Physical address:	16 Cobham Court Porirua 5022
4. NZBN (or Trust; Charity, Inc. Society registration #):	Sustainable Coastlines Charitable Trust Number CC46615
5. GST number:	53-037-169
Primary contact	
6. Name of contact person:	Steve Perdia
7. Organisation:	Porirua City Council
8. Phone number:	9(2)(a) [REDACTED]
9. Email address:	9(2)(a) [REDACTED]

SECTION B: Project details

<p>10. Project name</p>	<p>Te Awarua-o-Porirua - Restoring the mauri of the Porirua Harbour.</p>																		
<p>11. Project purpose</p> <p><i>This should be a brief description of the problem your project is trying to solve, your solution, and outcome your project will achieve.</i></p> <p><i>You will have the opportunity to expand on this description later in this form.</i></p>	<p>To engage our community in regenerating the waterways around Te Awarua-o-Porirua Catchment, helping to restore the mauri of the streams and harbour.</p> <p>With its waters healthy again, everyone in the district, including Ngāti Toa, the wider community and visitors can enjoy, live and play safely in, on and around streams and the harbour.</p> <p>PCC and our partners have invested substantially in integrated catchment management programmes. Riparian planting in our priority areas will have a profound effect on water quality in all rural and urban streams, cost \$183 million and take 20 years to complete.</p> <p>These funds will allow us to significantly scale up the riparian planting, education and community capacity building components of our programme and to increase the pace at which we can meet the water quality outcomes our community wants and our harbour needs.</p> <p>As partners, we acknowledge that our visions for Te Awarua-o-Porirua are different, but aligned:</p> <p>PCC's Vision: Restoring the health of our harbour and streams</p> <p>Ngāti Toa's vision: Ngāti Toa whaitua statement</p>																		
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<p>13. Details of water body(s):</p> <p><i>(500 character limit)</i></p> <p><i>Please provide the latitude and longitude in decimal format (eg, -36.631389, 175.473361). If your project has multiple sites, please choose the most significant or relevant site.</i></p>	<p>Name(s): Porirua Catchments</p> <p>Te Awarua o Porirua is one of the largest estuarine complexes in New Zealand and is nationally important for its ecological value. Its catchments are steep and short with most rural land in LUC classes 6 to 8 in marginal farmland. The urban catchments are highly modified.</p> <p>The catchments are not easy dairy country that require little cost to restore riparian margins. Porirua City Council and its many partners are stepping up to showcase how water quality can be restored in both urban areas and marginal farmland.</p>																		

<p>14. What issues does this water body face? (1000 character limit)</p>	<p>Latitude: -41.103060,</p>	<p>Longitude: 174.869821</p> <p>A large body of freshwater, marine and terrestrial research has been carried out as a result of collaboration between PCC, WCC, NIWA, GNS, DoC, Ngāti Toa, Sustainable Coastlines, Mountains to Sea, Guardians of Pauatahanui Inlet and community groups as they deliver actions set out in the Te Awarua-o-Porirua Harbour and Catchments Strategy and Action Plan and to support Greater Wellington to develop the Whaitua Implementation Plan.</p> <p>From this body of work the issues facing our waterways can be summarised as:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sediment from farming, sub-divisions, building platforms, major roading projects and stormwater discharge erosion into stream channels. • Contaminants in discharges from farming operations, road surfaces, industrial and residential activities. • Intensive urban and industrial developments causing substantial ecological damage to streams and the harbour. <p>More information is provided in PCC's 2020 State of the Environment Report Card: The health of our Harbour and streams</p>													
<p>15. How will your project address these issues? (1000 character limit)</p>	<p>An integrated catchment management approach as set out in the Te Awarua-o-Porirua Strategy and Action Plan and GW Whaitua Implementation Plan to resolve the complex range of issues.</p> <p>Riparian management to improve water quality in urban streams (currently at D to E ratings) with a focus on engaging the community in stream management (Kahotea, Mahiniwa, Hukarito, Takapuwahia, Duck streams and Porirua catchment).</p> <p>Riparian management to improve water quality in rural residential blocks using scaled back farm environment plans, subsidised plants and labour for planting.</p> <p>Scaling up our community and business involvement programme providing active support for stream care, landcare and wetland care groups through restoration days, planting plans, plant care and maintenance skills programmes which ensure that practical skills can be further developed.</p> <p>We anticipate that by 2025 if all activities are proceeding at pace, we can achieve at least a C grade water quality rating for streams and an A grade by 2040.</p>														
<p>16. Where applicable, highlight the outputs this project will produce related to Jobs for Nature</p>	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th data-bbox="489 1509 802 1559">Focus area</th> <th data-bbox="802 1509 1230 1559">Metric</th> <th data-bbox="1230 1509 1439 1559">Target</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td data-bbox="489 1559 802 1861" rowspan="3">Freshwater restoration</td> <td data-bbox="802 1559 1230 1653">Number of plants planted in riparian, lake, or wetlands areas</td> <td data-bbox="1230 1559 1439 1653">627,790</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="802 1653 1230 1747">Area (ha) of riparian, lake, or wetlands planting completed</td> <td data-bbox="1230 1653 1439 1747">93</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="802 1747 1230 1861">Length (km) of new fencing constructed and maintenance of existing fencing</td> <td data-bbox="1230 1747 1439 1861">20km</td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="489 1861 802 1977">On farm and other restoration activities</td> <td data-bbox="802 1861 1230 1977">Number of Rural Residential property Farm Environment Plans completed</td> <td data-bbox="1230 1861 1439 1977">25</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>		Focus area	Metric	Target	Freshwater restoration	Number of plants planted in riparian, lake, or wetlands areas	627,790	Area (ha) of riparian, lake, or wetlands planting completed	93	Length (km) of new fencing constructed and maintenance of existing fencing	20km	On farm and other restoration activities	Number of Rural Residential property Farm Environment Plans completed	25
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	Pest control and fish passage	Total area (ha) of animal pest control completed	879.1
		Total area (ha) of plant pest control completed	879.1
		Number of fish passage barriers remediated (removed or managed)	39
	Other <i>Note – Feel free to add other project outputs (200 characters limit per output)</i>	Other output	Increased number of stream care and landcare groups.
		Other output	State of the environment reporting providing results from comprehensive monitoring and evaluation programmes.
		Other output	Number of Volunteer Hours at community planting events: 24,000 (SC) and 3,000 (PCC), totalling nearly \$670,000 in volunteer time.
		Other output	Number of School Classes involved in SC education programmes: 125 (approx 3,125 students)
17. Who/what organisations do you intend to partner with, or work with? <i>Provide a list of project partners and specify their role. Include whether a partner will be a co-funder.</i>	Partner name	Partner contribution to project	Co-funding
	Ngāti Toa	Project governance and iwi involvement	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
	Sustainable Coastlines	Community group engagement, schools education delivery, project management, urban stream restoration via community planting days, litter monitoring programme & training.	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes
	Wellington City Council	Community planting and support in Porirua stream catchment (WCC revegetation budget)	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
	Wellington Water and Kainga ora	Stormwater and waste-water network changes and Streamside restoration - Porirua East catchments	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
	Greater Wellington Council	Science support and rural riparian contributions	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
	Department of Corrections	Engagement and upskilling of community work parties through restoration activities.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
	Kiwi Rail	Planning and access for transport corridors.	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes

	Ministry of Social Development	Employment and training programme delivery	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
	Friends of Tawa Bush	Community hub for groups in Porirua stream catchment	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
	Porirua Harbour Trust	Liaison meetings between education providers covering 47 schools	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
	Guardians of Pauatahanui Inlet	Harbour and estuary riparian margin restoration and science	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
	Mountains to Sea Wellington	Citizen science and fish passage programme	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
	Wellington Community Trust	Community development support	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes
	World Wildlife Fund	Mātauranga Māori programme development	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
	NIWA	Science monitoring and evaluation, citizen science	
	ESR	Mātauranga Māori programme development, research advisory	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
	GNS Science	Mātauranga Māori programme development, sedimentation research and iwi capacity building	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes
	Hirepool	In kind support for community events	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes
	KwikNEzy	In kind support for community events	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes
	ANZ	Co funding	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes
	AB Inbev (Corona)	Co funding	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Yes
18. How will you engage with iwi/hapū and other partners throughout the project? <i>(500 character limit)</i>	Ngāti Toa are at the heart of this programme, which delivers on their vision set out in the Ngāti Toa Statement on Te Awarua-o-Porirua. We are establishing Kaitiaki Monitoring to determine how water quality and mahinga kai are improved and a mātauranga Māori programme incorporating kawa and tikanga practices and principles. A programme of work is being established with WWF, ESR and GNS to further develop the mātauranga Māori programme and lead its practical implementation.		
19. How does the project contribute to recovery from COVID-19? <i>(500 character limit)</i>	A mix of existing and new staff at SC will equate to 2 x FTEs per year to deliver this project and 4 x new FTEs positions per year at PCC and Ngāti Toa for project management and community engagement.		

<p>Consider things such as, but not limited to, generating new employment, and maintaining existing workforce capacity. Provide information about the local context, if relevant.</p>	<p>Through Porirua Skills Hub, managed in partnership with Kainga Ora, Partners Porirua and Whitireia Polytechnic this project provides training and work experience in riparian management for 30 people.</p> <p>PCC has identified a long term local need for skills and experience in this field, and this project will provide wider opportunities for upskilling volunteers, citizen scientists and local contractors.</p>										
<p>20. Nature-based employment outcomes:</p> <p><i>This will also indicate the total project length, between 1–5 years</i></p>	<p>Total project FTE (breakdown per year of funding):</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="507 488 1422 678"> <thead> <tr> <th>Year 1</th> <th>Year 2</th> <th>Year 3</th> <th>Year 4</th> <th>Year 5</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>6</td> <td>6</td> <td>6</td> <td>6</td> <td>6</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>Number of people receiving training: a minimum of 30.</p> <p>Porirua City Council and Sustainable Coastlines are living wage employers. Project costs reflect requirements to be a good employer.</p>	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	6	6	6	6	6
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<p>21. Project funding:</p> <p><i>What is the cash cost (exclusive of GST) of your project, including Freshwater Improvement Fund funding, external funding, and your organisation’s contribution?</i></p> <p><i>In-kind contributions are eligible for inclusion in the total project costs</i></p>	<p>Total project cost: \$7,078,600</p> <p>Freshwater Improvement Fund contribution: \$3,000,000</p> <p>In-kind contribution: \$63,600</p> <p>Cash contribution: \$4,015,000</p> <p>Note that PCC is requesting matched funding from Council subject to receiving FIF funding. The matched funding will be in addition to existing baseline restoration budgets. PCC will therefore be providing at least 2% of the cash contribution to this project.</p> <p><i>Note: All contribution types must equal the total project costs</i></p>										

SECTION C: Declaration

<p>As a duly authorised representative of the organisation as noted in Section A of this Freshwater Improvement Fund application form:</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • I declare that my project meets all of the eligibility criteria for the Freshwater Improvement Fund (see page 5 of this application form). • I declare that, to the best of my knowledge, the information contained in all sections of this application form, or supplied by us in support of our application, is complete, true and correct.
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This declaration must be completed by a person with the organisation's signing authority. See the Guide for Applicants 2020 for further information on how to complete this question. Important: Please contact the Ministry if you have any queries about the terms and conditions of the deed of funding for the Freshwater Improvement Fund.

- I declare that I have the authority to sign this application form and to provide this information.
- I declare that the application is not being made by an organisation that is in receivership or liquidation, or by an undischarged bankrupt.
- I declare that I have provided information about any actual or potential conflicts of interest (in question 15) and I will promptly inform the Ministry for the Environment of any such conflicts if they arise following the submission of this application.
- I understand that information presented to the Minister for the Environment and Ministry for the Environment is subject to disclosure under the Official Information Act 1982, other legislation, court orders, and in response to Parliamentary questions.
- I understand my rights in accordance with the Privacy Act 1993.
- I agree that the Ministry for the Environment can undertake, for the purpose of assessing eligibility and suitability for Freshwater Improvement Fund funding, a background check on the applicant(s), including but not limited to credit checks, criminal record checks and reference checks from other parties, and may liaise with local and national organisations about this application.
- I understand that, if I receive an invitation to proceed to Stage 2 of the funding process, this is not a confirmation of funding and the final decision is subject to a successful completion of Stage 2.

Name of signatory:

By typing your name you are electronically signing this form

Steve Perdia General Manager City Growth and Partnerships
10 February 2021

Date:

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