



## Time for the Heavy Lifting

The last two meetings have been pretty heavy going as the Group starts to make decisions about the specific values and attributes of individual rivers and their tributaries. This has generated healthy discussion and, importantly, raises questions along the way. Some can be answered now, and some will be answered as we go along.

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To give a better view of this process, TANK's webpage carries the meeting notes, visuals and other documents, such as this newsletter - the first of many. There will be plenty of opportunities for feedback, comments and questions along the way, and we encourage you to 'add your ten cents worth' (50, \$1, \$10) at any stage.



### WORKING GROUPS

These will help to meet the target dates to prepare a draft plan change for Regional Planning Committee approval. The TANK Group membership and Working Group list is on the [TANK](#) page.



### TANGATA WHENUA

HBRC is working with Ngati Kahungunu Iwi Incorporated (NKII) and Te Taiwhenua o Heretaunga on a Ngaruroro River Values and Attributes report to help refine and complete the TANK values. There is much more to come on this area of work.



### SCIENCE

Land use, water quantity and quality connection modelling, and work to understand environmental data is full steam ahead. TANK members are getting the Latest modelling and science programme information.

### VALUES & ATTRIBUTES

Water quality needs to satisfy a range of uses and values in the TANK catchments. The Group is in the process of assigning values to manage Ngaruroro River and its tributaries. The biggest implications for water quality management are ecosystem values, and the social and recreational values of swimming/immersion, fishing and mahinga kai.

