

The Journey So Far..

Water storage options for the Tukituki Catchment have been considered for more than 10 years

The Ruataniwha Water Storage Scheme is a long-term, sustainable water supply solution for Central Hawke's Bay. It is part of a wider programme to better manage water resources in the Tukituki Catchment.

The Scheme will be a 93 million m³ storage reservoir in the upper Makaroro river, storing water during winter. Water from the Scheme will be released to improve river flows in the Tukituki Catchment through summer for river life and other river users, and provide a certain supply for irrigators.



HAWKE'S BAY IS GETTING DRIER

RIVER FLOWS NEED TO INCREASE



CENTRAL HAWKE'S BAY NEEDS BETTER WATER SECURITY



EVERYONE WANTS A MORE SUSTAINABLE ENVIRONMENT AND A PROSPEROUS FUTURE



Looking Ahead

Three years for construction of the scheme and water to farm gate

2000

Future planning recognises the need to increase river flows.

2006

Hawke's Bay bears brunt of several very dry summers.

2008

14 potential dam sites considered as part of initial investigations.

2009

On farm storage discounted as an unaffordable option.

2010

Community engagement begins with iwi, leaders and stakeholders.

A full feasibility study of the Scheme begins.

2011

Investigations narrow the focus to one dam site on the Makaroro River.

2012

Full feasibility completed. HBRIC Ltd takes over the next phase.

2013

Design and construction contractor confirmed as OHL Hawkins.

2014

HBRC consults with the public and agrees to invest up to \$80 million in the Scheme, subject to conditions.

2015

Consents confirmed after extensive Board of Inquiry process.

Sufficient demand for water confirmed.

Hawke's Bay leaders pledge support to the Ruataniwha Scheme.

2016

Investor Group being finalised.

18 April 2016

Deadline for farmers to sign up as Foundation Water Users.

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