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Progress Report - Māori Policy Advisors

1. Purpose

To provide Ara Tahi with an update for the months of September, October and November.

2. Te Waka Awhina

Te Waka Awhina is an annual hui for Māori staff working in local government. This year the hui is being hosted by the New Plymouth District Council. The hui is from 25-28 November and is being held at Owae marae in Waitara. There are 6 staff members from Greater Wellington attending the hui this year, which is an improvement on the 4 staff that attended last year.

The hui is an excellent opportunity for Māori staff to network and share information and ideas. If past experiences are anything to go by then it will be an enjoyable experience for all of the participants. Some examples of kaupapa shared in past hui include staff training options, induction processes and consultation models.

3. Wellington Regional Strategy

There are two meetings remaining for Ara Tahi representatives in 2004. The details are as follows:

Ara Tahi Forum meeting
Wednesday 15 December 2004 at 10am
Hoyts Room, Greater Wellington offices

Regional Assembly
Tuesday 21 December
Time and venue TBA

4. Iwi projects

4.1 Wellington Tenth Trust

4.1.1 Inventory of Māori Heritage sites and values

On 15 October, staff from Greater Wellington, Wellington City and Hutt City Councils were invited to a GIS presentation by the Tenth Trust. The presentation provided staff with an opportunity to see how this project has developed.

During the presentation it was agreed that a compact disk with all of the information would be sent out to the respective local authorities for reference purposes.

Oral report – Liz Mellish

4.2 Te Runanganui o Taranaki Whānui ki te Upoko o te Ika a Maui

4.2.1 Iwi Environmental Management Plan

Oral report - Ihaia Puketapu.

4.3 Project proposals for 2004/05 year

Council has received two project proposals for this year. We are currently working through these proposals with the respective iwi.

5. Technical workshop

The iwi technical workshop held on 20 October was facilitated by Jason Kerehi and Steve Moate. The workshop discussed options for the iwi content on the revised Greater Wellington website. Feedback from the workshop is summarised in **Attachment 1** to this report.

Oral report – Jason Kerehi.

6. Councillor induction powhiri

Thank you to all of the Ara Tahi representatives, Kaumatua and Kuia who took the time to attend the powhiri for the new Councillors on 28 October. Ngā mihi nui ki a kōutou kātoa

7. Recommendations

It is recommended that Ara Tahi:

- 1. receive the report; and*
- 2. note the contents.*

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Attachment 1: Technical workshop feedback