

April 21, 2020

Taharoa Domain Governance Committee Private Bag 1001 Dargaville 0340

Dear Sir/Madam,

## Re: Request to liberate trout into Lake Taharoa and Lake Waikare 2020

Under the terms agreed to between the Kaipara District Council, Taharoa Domain Governance Committee and with Northland Fish & Game Council in May 2017, the Northland Fish and Game Council is seeking the support and approval of the Taharoa Domain Governance Committee to carry out the annual Rainbow trout liberations into Lakes Taharoa and Waikare.

Northland Fish & Game requests your approval to release approximately 2,300 trout fingerlings in Lakes Taharoa (2000) and Waikare (300). These trout have been reared at the Ngongotaha Trout Hatchery since the order was placed in May 2019.

Once approved, these releases will take effect in either May – June 2020 or as soon as the current covid19 travel restrictions have been lifted.

Northland Fish & Game is required to order the Rainbow trout fingerlings 12 months in advance of their annual fish releases. The trout are all reared at the Ngongotaha Trout Hatchery in a restricted water source coming from a large spring which has no risks of contamination.

The trout are transported in plastic tanks on trailers for release at the Kai Iwi Lakes and other manmade reservoirs in the Northland region.

Your assistance in this matter to continue the Kai Iwi Lakes recreational fishery is appreciated.

Yours sincerely,

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Statutory managers of freshwater sports fish, game birds and their habitats

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