

Finally...Ngāti Kahu

This relates 2 Tangata Whenua can

19.

~~I received~~ late request on behalf of Professor Margaret Mutu, Chair of Te Rūnanga-a-Iwi o Ngāti Kahu, to convey the following:

*was received*

“Te Rūnanga-a-Iwi o Ngāti Kahu, through our hapū of Te Paatu, share a mana whenua interest at Kaimaumau.

On Saturday 26 March, the Rūnanga and hapū delegates discussed the illegal take of water from the aquifer, and its potential impact on the Kaimaumau wetlands.

We condemn, in unequivocal terms, the illegal and unethical behaviour of those involved.

Our instruction is that Northland Regional Council is legally and ethically duty bound not to issue retrospective consents, but rather to undertake retrospective *prosecutions* of those involved.

We reserve without prejudice our right to take further action, up to and including legal action.”

Thank you for your attention.

(Catherine Murupaenga-Ikenn)

Iwi consulation

