

# Frequently asked questions

## (Iwi/Hapū Environment Management Plan)

### What is the Iwi/Hapū Environmental Management Plan Fund?

This new \$20,000 fund has been established to help Iwi/Hapū develop planning documents recognised by an Iwi Authority, as required under the Resource Management Act 1991 (section 74 (2A)).

It has been set up by the Northland Regional Council, which must take the planning documents into account when developing or changing regional plans and policy statements.

The requirement for formal planning documents will help Iwi/Hapū become more involved in resource management processes by building their capacity and at the same time capturing their current environmental knowledge, passion and practice.

### How do I apply for funding?

Online applications for the contestable funding will be accepted from Monday 14 May to Monday 16 July this year with successful applicants being notified 1 August 2018.

### Do all applications receive funding?

The regional council will try and support as many applications as possible. However, as funding is restricted, there is no guarantee all applications will be successful.

### What kind of application is more likely to succeed?

Applications that are likely to succeed will:

- Have endorsement and support from a relevant Iwi Authority;
- Have an established legal entity;
- Provide in-kind contributions from Iwi/Hapū;
- Have other funding sources contributing to the plan's development;
- Demonstrate a clear benefit to Iwi/Hapū in terms of participation in resource management processes.

### Is the funding limited to 'Iwi/ Hapū Environmental Management Plans'?

Yes, you may develop your plan in stages but the work must be undertaken in the financial year ending March 2019.

### What happens after I make an application?

Applicants will be advised of funding decisions in mid-July 2018. Successful applications will be processed on receipt of an official invoice, which must be from the Iwi/Hapū awarded the funding. The regional council will contact you to follow up on how your project is progressing, and will require a brief update from all successful applicants by the end of May 2019.

### Need help?

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