## Waiwhatu Project Update

NZGA WINTER SEMINAR

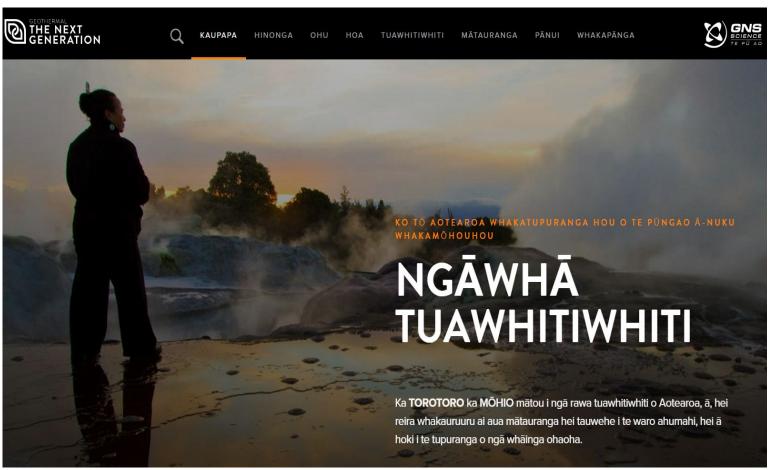
3<sup>rd</sup> July 2024

**Aroha Campbell** 



## Background

- GNG Māori first engagement strategy
- •We weren't seeking to 'educate Maori'
- •We decided to take a different approach and help our science team see things differently.
- •Science is hard to relate to and scientists find it hard to relate to indigenous thinking
- •Develop website in Te Reo difficulties with translating the scientific terms



#### **Team**

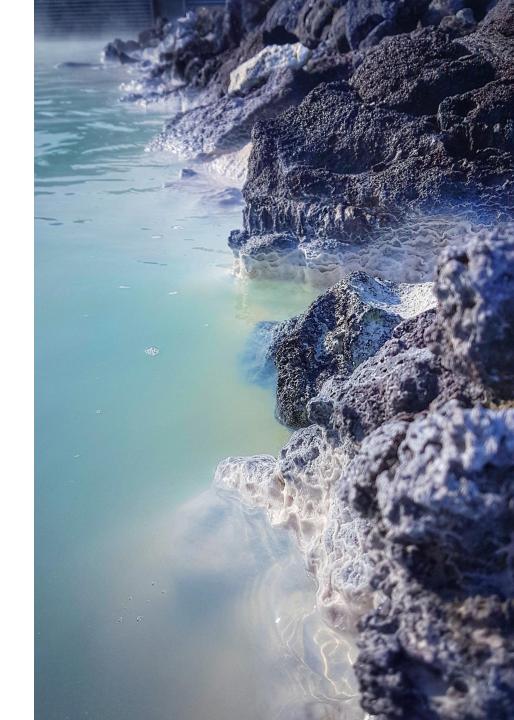
The project team balanced a range of ages, genders, skills and experience:

- •Aroha Campbell¹ (Ngāti Tahu): A kaitiaki consultant who has deep experience navigating geothermal developments and Te Ao Māori.
- •**Uenuku Fairhall**<sup>2</sup> (Ngāti Rangiwewehi, Waitaha): An expert Te Reo Māori linguist and fluent speaker who holds the underlying concepts of Te Ao Māori, including whakapapa, mātauranga, noa and tapu.
- •Corey Rehua<sup>3</sup> (Te Arawa, Tainui, Mātaatua): An early career Māori researcher and engineer, with a broad range of interests, who is on a reo journey.
- •Paul Siratovich<sup>1</sup>: A senior scientist (geologist) who understands core geothermal concepts and terminology who is on a Te Ao Māori journey.
- •Andy Blair¹: A strong communicator, with a background in science and is comfortable in Te Ao Māori, who can help translate the concepts.

<sup>1</sup>Upflow <sup>2</sup>Tarapō <sup>3</sup>Mountain to Tide

## Kupu Development

- •Most common technical words used when describing geothermal. Terms selected:
  - Geothermal fluid
  - Reservoir
  - Enthalpy
  - Magma
  - Lava
- •Scientist explain technical word, concept, foundation, meaning this was interrogated for understanding
- •Interpreted through a Māori lens how Māori see these concepts
- •Bringing Mātauranga Māori (indigenous knowledge) and western science into one space.
- •Tested the words internally and externally
- •Not about 6 words the beginning of journey of shared understanding and inclusion



# WAIWHATU [why-fuh-too]

## GEOTHERMAL FLUID

The liquid present inside a geothermal reservoir that can flow to the surface naturally or through wells.

**wai** – liquid, oil etc; **whatu** – stone, core

# MĀPUNA

[mar-poo-nah]

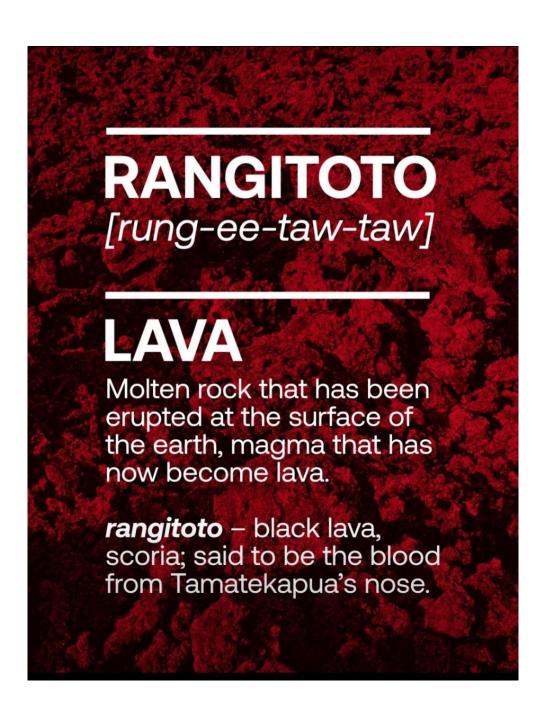
### RESERVOIR

The section of a geothermal field below ground that is so hot and permeable that fluid can be economically extracted for the production of fluid and heat.

*māpuna* – to well up, to form a pool







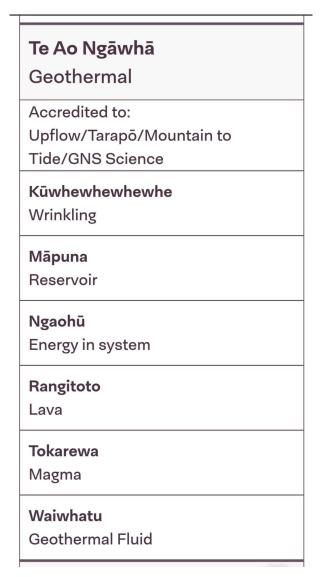
#### **KŪWHEWHEWHE**

[koo-feh-feh-feh]

#### WRINKLING

kūwhewhewhe –
puckered, wrinkled. Te
Arawa term for wrinkling of
the skin after being in
water for a long time.

## Nga Waiwhatu Kupu Live!





11:47am 14th June 2024

TE TAURA WHIRI I TE REO MĀORI | THE MĀORI LANGUAGE COMMISSION

# Marae Stay 6-7<sup>th</sup> October 2023 Ohaki Pa





## Sharing of Whakapapa & Stories



#### Feedback from Ohaki Marae Stay 6-7 October 2023

"beautiful, perfect experience...human to human contact.

I have done Treaty of Waitangi training and going there I felt better equipped to understand the concerns and historical mistreatment of the people. I think everyone should do that training...

"[Haukainga] were great hosts & very welcoming...Mark & Leo were keen to share their stories –

I loved it, it was big part of the reason why I enjoyed it."

"....A warm, comfortable environment...organic conversation..."

"There's only so much you can learn about NZ reading a book..."

...they made us feel so welcome...

"It was a real vibe...light-hearted fun"

I liked how whanau were genuinely interested and listened to us and that was reflected in the

questions that they asked."

would of you just went for a few hours...

Most relaxed marae experience I'd ever had....I can't image a more comfortable environment

human to human

I loved the fact that we stayed overnight as you experienced so much more than you would of you just went for a four harms

Loved the jokes!

Needed to have more clarity to offer them about the big issues like subsidence/less pollution & less surface infrastructure for supercritical

Added to my general understanding/hadn't stayed before on that level... valuable, amazing hosts... lovely felt really welcome..."

"Coming to NZ has been a steep learning curve for me but I learnt so much by experiencing that..."

Everybody...even people in NZ should know NZ history

#### Whats Next?

- •The Māori Strategy team at GNS Science to build on the Waiwhatu work with 'Arawhata' (bridge)
- •Develop more kupu and gain visibility around the work to encourage others to do the same
- •Find out more GNS Te Arawhata Project & GNS Science Geothermal Stakeholders Breakfast, Thurs 4<sup>th</sup> July
- •Andy will present a paper outlining the methodology, workstream, learnings and lessons at Geothermal Rising Conference in Hawaii in Oct. *The Waiwhatu Project: Developing Shared Language (English-Te Reo Māori) for Communicating Geothermal Scientific Terms*

