

Living on a Dynamic Coast
Ko Te Kawa o Tangaroa, he kawa ora

2021 Whanganui - Programme DRAFT

Free pre-conference workshop at Duncan Pavilion – Tuesday 9 March 2021		
DAY 1 Wednesday 10 March 2021		
Time	Topic	Speaker/Facilitator
8:00	Registration desk opens. Tea and coffee available	
9:00	Karakia/Pōwhiri/iwi coastal connections (mātauranga māori)	John Maihi and local iwi
10:00	Chairman opens conference	Greg Bennett (CRT Chair)
10:10	Setting the scene for Whanganui	Mayor Hamish McDouall from Whanganui District Council and Councillor Sam Ferguson from Horizons Regional Council
10:30	Morning tea	
Keynote Speakers		
11:00	Session 1	Facilitated by Greg Bennett
11:00	Government Keynote speaker	Minister for Climate Change or Minister for the Environment.
11:40	Geomorphology of Whanganui coast	Alastair Clement (Massey University)
12:10	Plants and ecology of the Whanganui coast	Colin Ogle (ex DOC, local botanist)
12:40	Horizons Sponsor Talk	Horizons Regional Council representative
12:50	Lunch	
1:50pm	First Session for regional Roundup	Facilitated by Graeme La Cock (CRT trustee)
2:50pm	Coastal insects	Rudi Schnitzler (local entomologist)
3:20pm	Afternoon Tea	
3:50pm	Fieldtrip to North Mole/river mouth and Castlecliff dunes	HRC River Management, Graham Pearson (Castlecliff Coastcare) and others
6pm	Return to The Grand/Whanganui	

DAY 2 Thursday 11 March 2021		
8:30	Trust resources and updates	Trustees of Coastal Restoration Trust
9:00	Second Session for regional Roundup (1h)	Facilitated by Alison Waru (CRT trustee)
10:00	TBA	TBA
10:30	Morning tea	
11:00	CRT projects update	Simon Hoyle and Janet Andrews on video project, and CRT trustees and/or contractors
11:30	Bus travel to north coastal sites of Waverley and Waipipi - Dune lakes, clifftop plant communities, mining history	Colin Ogle (botanist), Keith Beautrais, Stewart Reid (windfarm) and others
5:00pm	Return at venue	
6:00pm	Conference Dinner and live entertainment on Waimarie Paddle Steamer, while cruising the Whanganui awa (at extra cost)	

Day 3 Friday 12 March 2021		
A fieldtrip to sites south of Whanganui		
8:45	Meet for field trip	
9:00	Depart for Yacht Club for estuary viewing	Peter Frost (Ornithologist) and others
10:00	Travel to Koitiata Beach	
10:30	Morning tea	
11:00	Koitiata Beach History, plants, river movement	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chris Shenton of Ngati Apa • Local coast care group • Colin Ogle, Graeme La Cock (CRT/DOC)
1:00	Lunch	
2:00	Depart Koitiata	
2:30	Arrive at Languard Bluff viewpoint	(near airport)
3pm	Farewell	
3:30pm	Travel to Whanganui airport	<i>AKL flights from Whanganui leave at 4:45pm (December 2020 timetable)</i>

A post-conference fieldtrip to the Horowhenua coast will be held on Sunday 14 March 2021

Note that this programme is subject to change. Updates will be posted on web when available