

# Interim Guidelines for the Initial Notification and Contact between the Department of Conservation and Ngāi Tahu over beached marine mammals

## Objective

To increase the active involvement of Ngā Papatipu Rūnanga o Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu in the management of beached marine mammals and provide guidance to both Papatipu Rūnanga and the Department of Conservation in the appropriate processes for responding to beached marine mammals.

### **The Guidelines – Initial notification over beached marine mammals**

On the discovery that a marine mammal(s) has beached, or is likely to beach, the Department and/or Papatipu Rūnanga will contact each other directly (through the contact people listed in Appendix A and B). A map showing the approximate locations of Papatipu Rūnanga is also included.

*While timeframes can be very short, every effort should be made to ensure that the Rūnanga contact person and Department Staff member have actually spoken before any action is taken. Messages left do not constitute adequate notification or provide for good process.*

### **INITIAL NOTIFICATION**

The purpose of this initial notification and contact is to:

- Appraise each other of the situation;
- Determine (if possible) the level of interest in the marine mammal from a cultural, conservation and scientific point of view;
- Determine the cultural and statutory process requirements; and
- Decide on an agreed plan of action.

Depending on the level of cultural, conservation and scientific interest in the beached marine mammal(s) the plan of action may involve the rūnanga representative and the Department Staff member:

- Contacting and involving others (such as kaumātua, whānau, Te Rūnanga or Department staff and/or others shown in the Appendices);
- Meeting kanohi ki te kanohi (face to face);
- Going directly to the site; and/or
- Undertaking a pre-assessment of the beached mammal.

Depending on the circumstance, the relevant Rūnanga may decide not to become involved but request the Department to keep the rūnanga informed of developments.

**Subject to statutory obligations, in all cases a clear process for action should be decided and agreed upon between the rūnanga contact(s) and Department staff.** If time allows, this can be confirmed in writing via an email or facsimile.

If necessary, at the conclusion of the entire operation a report will be completed by the Department in conjunction with the rūnanga about how successfully the relationship functioned.

## Background

From the perspective of Ngāi Tahu Whānui, marine mammals are of extreme importance, playing significant roles in the creation, migration, settlement and resource gathering traditions of the iwi. In particular the beaching of a marine mammal can hold immense cultural significance for the particular Papatipu Rūnanga affected by the beaching.

Marine mammals are also important to the Department of Conservation which has a legal responsibility under the Marine Mammals Protection Act 1978 and relevant regulations to protect, conserve and manage marine mammals throughout New Zealand.

Interest in stranded marine mammals may come from a range of interests including cultural, scientific, animal welfare, public health and species management.

In recognising the importance of marine mammals to each party, Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu, on behalf of Ngā Papatipu Rūnanga and the Department of Conservation are working towards a management protocol, possibly under section 281 of the Ngāi Tahu Claims Settlement Act 1998, and have agreed to review the Department of Conservation's Marine Mammal Stranding Contingency Plans affecting the Ngāi Tahu takiwā.

As an interim measure, to ensure a consistent approach is applied across the Ngai Tahu takiwa and to increase the active involvement of ngā Papatipu Rūnanga in the management of beached marine mammals, these guidelines are being put in place. They will be superseded by incorporation fully into Area Office Stranding Plans in future.

## Explanation

Map 1 shows the approximate locations of Papatipu Rūnanga to guide the Department in making contact with the appropriate Papatipu Rūnanga. Where Department staff are unsure of which Papatipu Rūnanga to contact, they should make contact with the closest Papatipu Rūnanga which can provide advice as to who else should be contacted.

Appendix A provides contact details for Papatipu Rūnanga that include three nominated contact people plus the contact details of the Papatipu Rūnanga administration office and the marae/wharekai phone (if available). Cellphone numbers and after-hours contact details are included, as well as the local marae/wharekai phone number, to assist with making contact particularly at the weekend. The contact details of Kaupapa Taiao of Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu are also shown (including after hours details). In addition, the Department staff will also contact the Kaupapa Atawhai Manager as soon as possible.

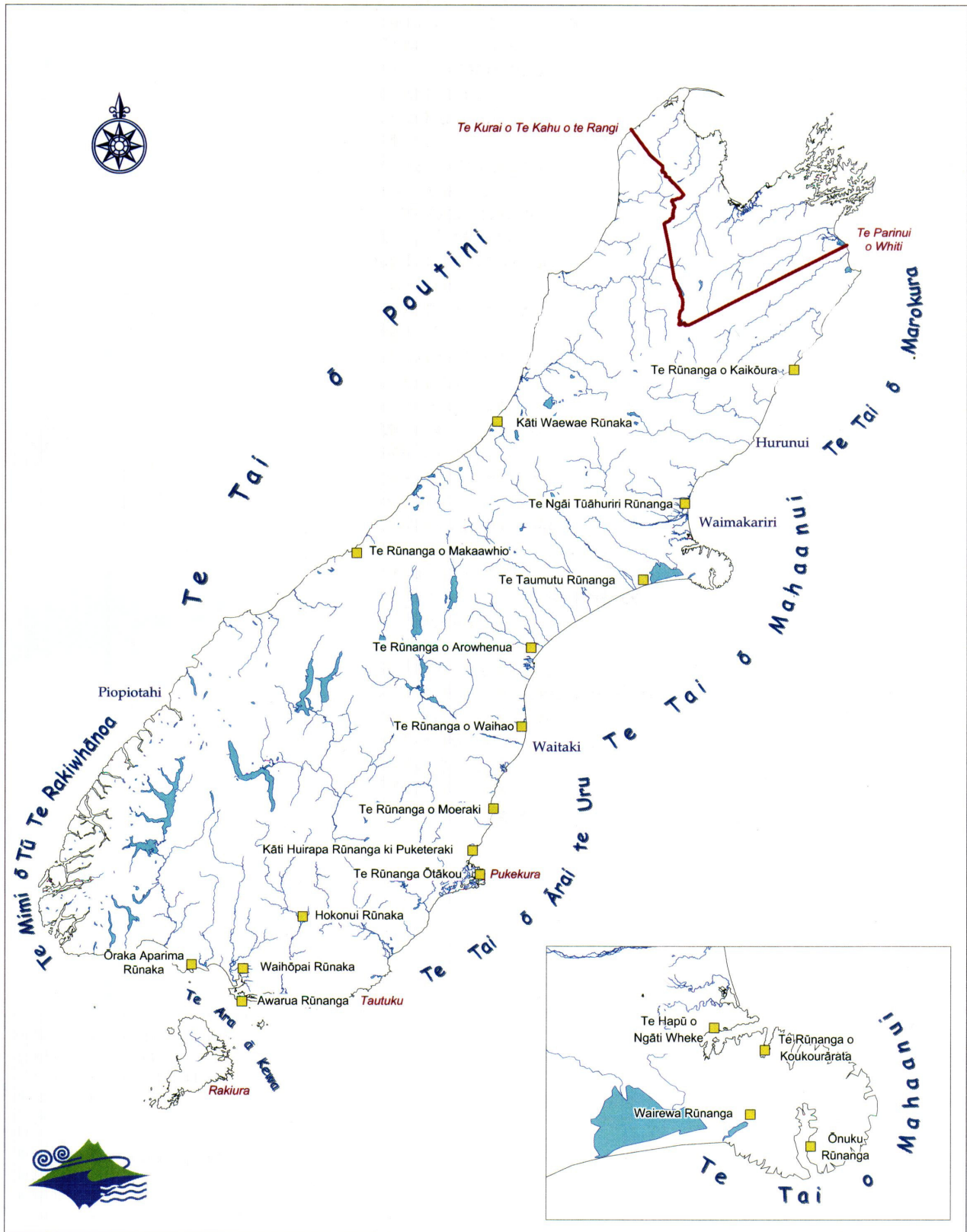
*Contact person 1 should be attempted first, followed by contact person 2, followed by contact person 3 followed by the Rūnanga Office and/or marae/wharekai. If all these fail, Kaupapa Taiao of Te Rūnanga o Ngāi Tahu can be contacted for assistance.*

Appendix B provides contact details of the appropriate Department of Conservation staff covering each conservancy in the Ngai Tahu takiwa. This includes the Marine Mammal Officer, the Kaupapa Atawhai Manager and the conservancy office. The Kaupapa Atawhai Manager should be contacted first, followed by the Marine Mammal Officer, followed by the conservancy office. If these fail, the DoC hotline can be rung (0800 DOCHOT) for assistance.

Appendix C provides contact details of third parties that may be contacted by Papatipu Rūnanga or the Department after the initial notification. Where appropriate, the contacting and involvement of third parties, such as Te Papa, researchers or marine mammal experts should be at the agreement of both the rūnanga contact(s) and Department staff.

The parties recognise that any commitment made by the Department in this Interim Protocol is subject always to the statutory functions and powers of the Department and the Minister of Conservation under the relevant legislation.

Map 1 – Te Takiwā o Ngai Tahu Whānui and Ngā Papatipu Rūnanga Locations



## Appendix A - Papatipu Rūnanga Contacts

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