

Unlocking the potential of Māori land: A kaupapa Māori approach to using and developing integrated knowledge, models and tools

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"Ko ngā mana ko ngā mauri o te whenua kei i raro iho i ngā tikanga a o tatou tupuna"

The prestige and life force of the land is enhanced beneath the mantle of our ancestral traditions

"Whatungarongaro te tangata, toitū te whenua" People come and go, but the land endures

Treaty of Waitangi

Article the second: Queen of England confirms and guarantees to the Chiefs and Tribes of New Zealand and to the respective families and individuals thereof

"the full exclusive and undisturbed possession of their Lands and Estates, Forests, Fisheries, and other properties which they may collectively or individually posses so long as it is their wish and desire to retain the same in their possession" The notion of how central land and soil was, and still is to Māori, described superbly by Asher and Naulls: "To the early Māori, land was everything. Bound up with it was survival, politics, myth, and religion. It was not part of life, but life itself".

Asher G; Naulls D, 1987: Maori Land. New Zealand Planning Council, Wellington.

Whenua – land

In July 1993, Te Ture Whenua Māori Act came into effect (now under reform/review 2016-2017). Te Ture Whenua Māori Bill gives Māori land owners, trustees and whānau greater decision-making powers and better support for the management of whenua Māori.

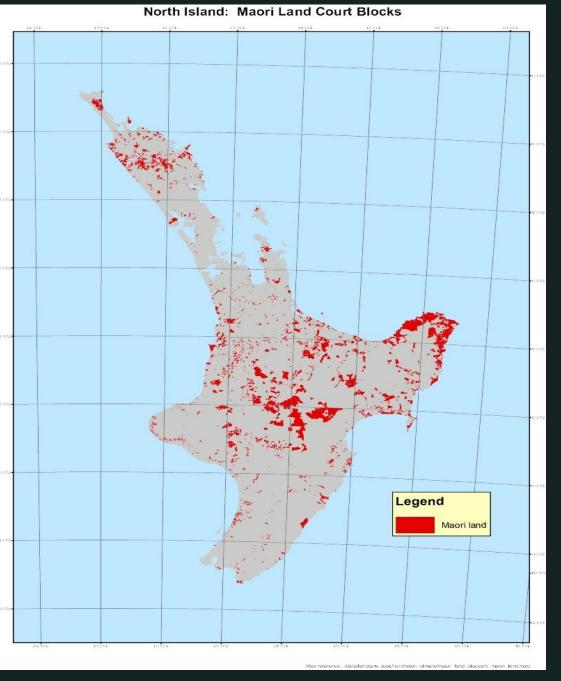
The original Act has three principle kaupapa:

- Recognises that land is taonga tuku iho and of special importance to Māori;
- Promotes protection against alienation, retention of land in the hands of owners, their whanau and hapū;
- Facilitates the occupation, development, and utilisation of that land for the benefit of its owners and descendants.

The Act allows multiple ownership and beneficiaries of title can exercise more control over their land.

Patterns of Māori Land Ownership from 1840 to 1998 (Durie 1998, TPK GIS, LCR GIS)

Year	Acres	Hectares
1840	66 400 000	~27 000 000
1852	34 000 000	15 300 000
1860	21 400 000	9 630 000
1891	11 079 486	4 985 000
1911	7137 205	3 211 000
1920	4 787 686	2 154 000
1939	4 028 903	1 813 000
1975	3 000 000	1 350 000
1986	2 626 091	1 181 740
1998	3 743 689	1 515 071
2011	3 743 689	1 515 071



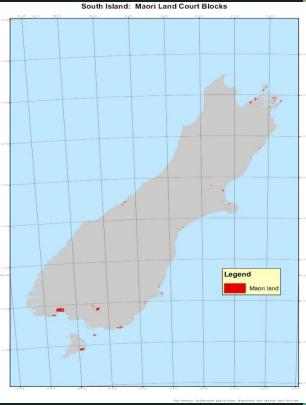


Table 1 Governance structures for Māori Land (under Te Ture Whenua Act) for New Zealand (TPK 1996; Durie 1998; Landcare Research 2001)

Number of Land Blocks	% Total Area	
6303	52	
108	6	
8	0.01	
10	2	
1	0	
259	14	
106	6	
16 405	15	
1129	2	
1307	4	
25 636	100	
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Māori Land Court Districts

- ~27, 000 Māori land block titles
- ~6 % of Total land in NZ (~1.5 million ha – TPK, Māori Land Court)
- ~50% under-utilised/underdeveloped
- Maori economy (BERL)
 @\$37.0 ~42 billion
- ~10% total NZ agricultural outputs ~\$1 billion and growing



Māori land — issues

- Land fragmented, many small blocks
- Multiple ownership Issues of governance on many blocks (difficulties in planning, making decisions)
- Many absentee owners
- Many land blocks have no management
- Type and quality of land (mostly low quality and steep)
- Much land considered underdeveloped, undeveloped, or under-utilised
- Difficulties in gaining access to high quality information on Māori land
- Information often highly technical (e.g. GIS, land evaluation, soil reports) hard to understand

Drivers – the need for relevant and improved data/information/knowledge is being driven by many emerging needs and trends (incl.)

- The New Zealand and the Māori economy is growing. Māori development aspirations and needs have emerged with strong linkages to relevant sector groups, including industry and government.
- Māori have a significant asset base primarily in land based industries and agribusiness and are increasingly exploring private and crown partnerships to generate commercial and social returns.
- The Crown Māori economic growth partnership He Kai Kei Aku Ringa (2012) has central goals to lift Māori land performance and productivity, and strengthen links between innovation and Māori enterprises and collectives

But there are many more drivers for data/information/knowledge:

- Māori aspirations cultural advancement, outcomes, scenarios for the future – often multiple domains/goals/aspirations – multiple goals (cultural, social, environmental, economic)
- Māori land development, improved utilisation, productivity of Maori land, land use suitability, options, opportunities
- Māori issues, complexity of questions (e.g. across land, resources, water, climate change, biodiversity, social, environmental, people, cultural goals, economic)
- Natural Resource management, Decision-Making, kaitiakitanga, cogovernance (iwi/hapū)
- Treaty settlements/post-Treaty settlement entities, new forms of governance
- Kaupapa Māori research, VM, innovation, creativity, mātauranga Māori, science

Māori values/aspirations for advancement and cultural identity

Unlocking the potential of Māori land requires and understanding of key components of Māori knowledge/values, assets/taonga, Māori governance and decision-making

Complex: Need for integrated knowledge, models and tools

e.g., decision-support tools and models

So what's needed? (to make

decisions and unlock potential)?

Māori values/knowledge/ /aspirations Cultural, social, environmental, economic capital

Understanding the characteristics/
properties of land land, water, climate, ecosystems, etc) & Potential

To unlock the potential of Māori land

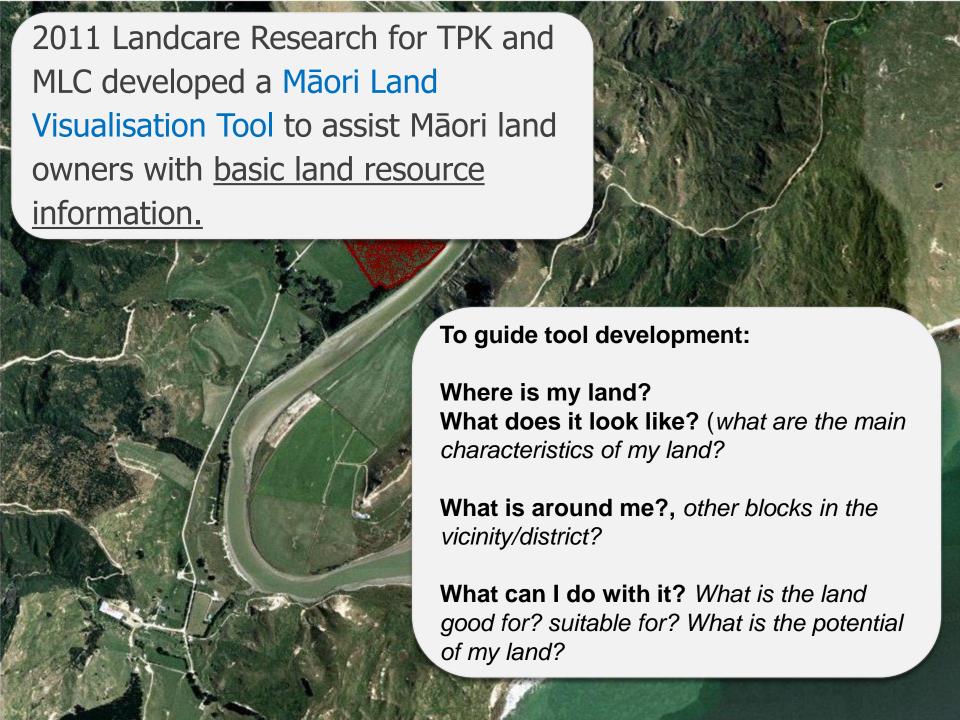
Tikanga:
Decisionmaking
process,
steps

Capital, investment, finance

Governance, effective management, leadership

Markets, products, services, value added, Global

Stress the importance of understanding the full characteristics and properties of whenua/Māori land, and the constraints we work in, before embarking on decisions and opportunities



Māori Land Visualisation Tool (MLVT)

https://whenuaviz.landcareresearch.co.nz/

Table 2 Increasing limitations to use and decreasing versatility of use from LUC class 1 to LUC class 8

Increasing limitations to Use

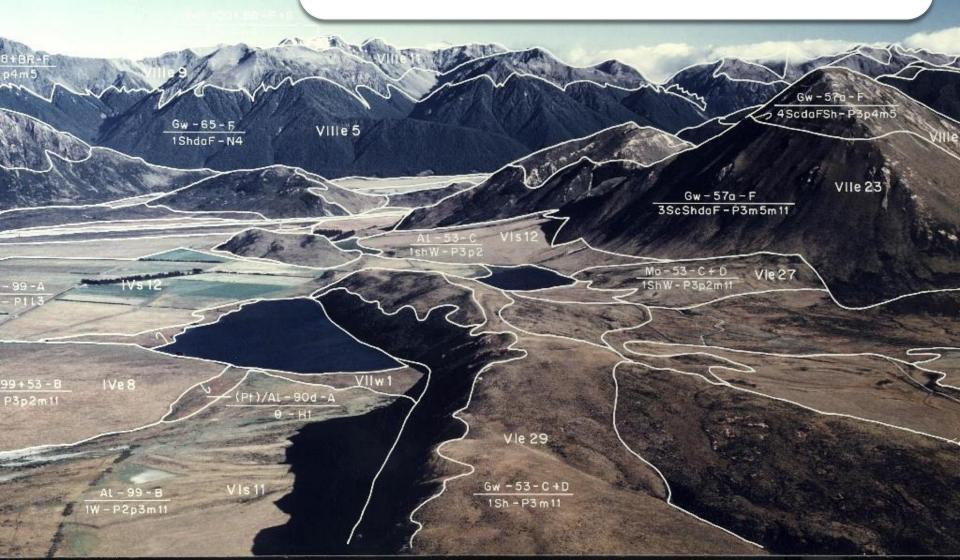


LUC Class	Arable cropping suitability†	Pastoral grazing suitability	Production forestry suitability *	General suitability
1	High	High		
2			High	Multiple use
3				land
4	Low ↓			
5				
6	Unsuitable			Pastoral or
7		Low *	Low	forestry land
8				
		Unsuitable	Unsuitable	Protection or Conservation land

Decreasing versatility of use



The NZLRI is made up of ~100,000 landform based map units at 1:50,000.

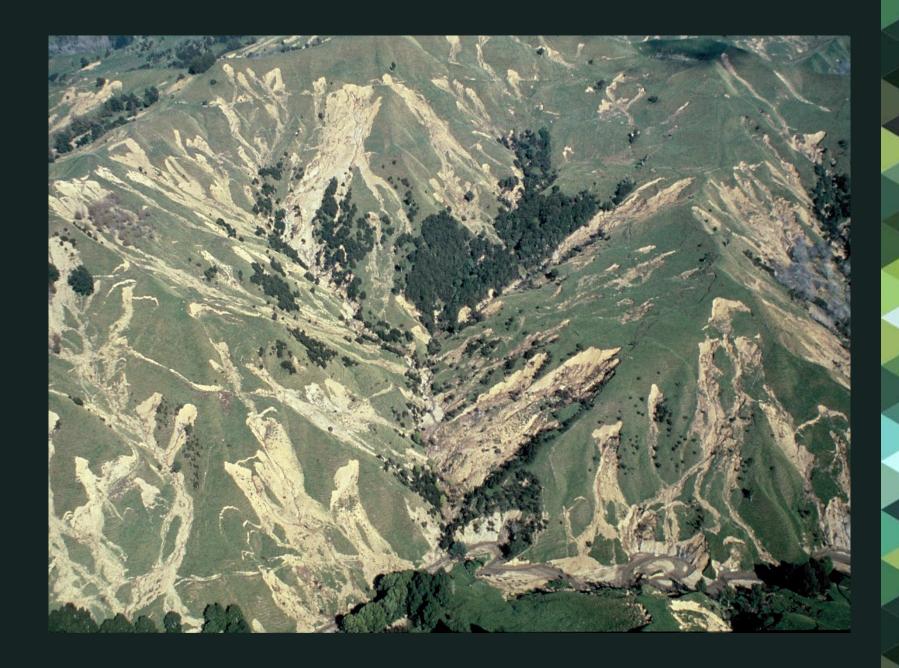




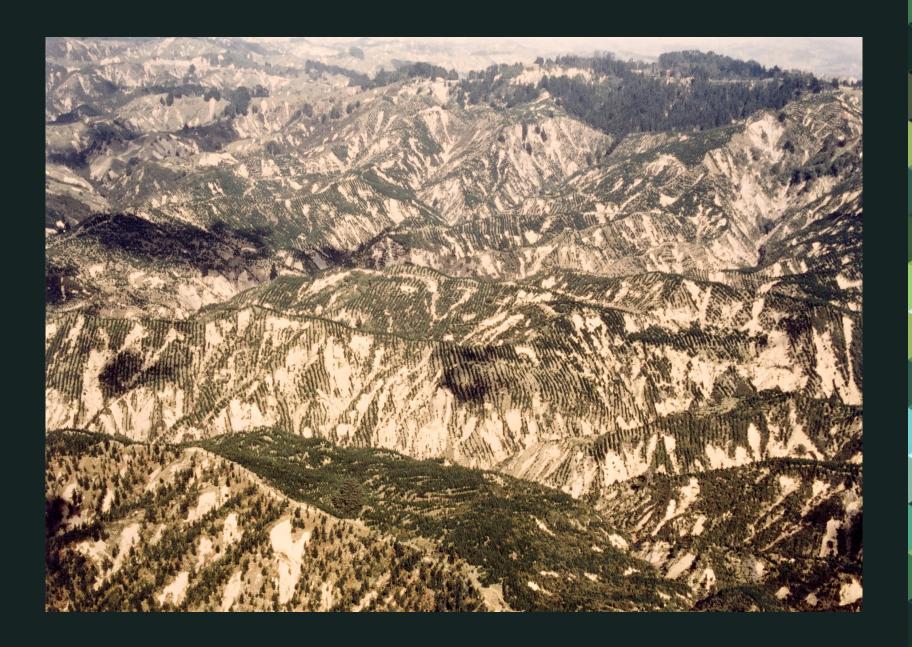












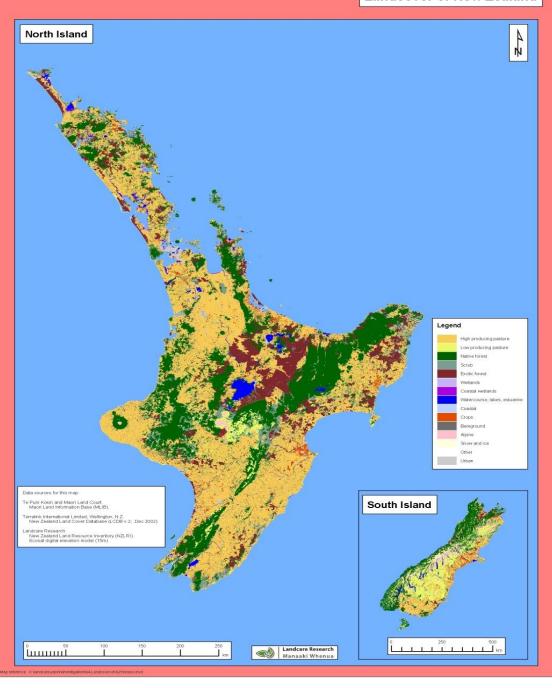


Land Use Capability (LUC) for Māori land (MLIB) compared with New Zealand LUC statistics (MLIB 2002—TPK & NZLRI—Landcare Research New Zealand)

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andcare Research N7 Ltd GIS 2011

LUC Class	% of Total NZ	Māori Land area (ha)	% of Māori Land	Description of Land Use Capability
1	0.7%	7514.76	0.50%	Most versatile multiple-use land – virtually no limitations to arable use
2	4.55%	43 733.59	2.89%	Good land with slight limitations to arable use
3	9.22%	85 534.33	5.65%	Moderate limitations to arable use restricting crops able to be grown
4	10.5%	153 972.29	10.16%	Severe limitations to arable use. More suitable to pastoral and forestry
5	0.8%	6883.47	0.45%	Unsuitable for cropping – pastoral or forestry
6	28.1%	507 706.36	33.51%	Non-arable land. Moderate limitations and hazards when under a perennial vegetation cover.
7	21.4%	469 830.47	31.01%	With few exceptions can only support extensive grazing or erosion control forestry
8	21.8%	230 142.75	15.19%	Very severe limitations or hazards for any agricultural use
Other	3.0%	9752.96	0.64%	Non-arable land. Moderate limitations and hazards when under a perennial vegetation cover.
TOTAL	100.00% (26 930 100 ha)	1 515 071.00	100.00%	

Landcover of New Zealand



Landcover class (LCDBv2) comparisons for Māori land and New Zealand land

Garth Harmsworth Landcare Research 2011

Landcover	New Zealand (LCDBv2)		Māori land (MLIB & LCDBv2)	
Landcover class	Area(ha)	Area(%)	Area(ha)	Area(%)
Indigenous Forest	7 109 546.4	26.4	586 332.5	38.7
Scrub	1 804 316.7	6.7	212 109.9	14.0
Planted exotic forest	1 965 897.3	7.3	206 049.6	13.6
Pastoral (grassland)	10 583 529.3	39.3	401 493.8	26.5
Horticultural	430 881.6	1.6	12 120.6	0.8
Inland water and wetlands	807 903.0	3.0	31 816.5	2.1
Other (e.g., mines, tussock, bareground)	4 228 025.7	15.7	65 148.1	4.3
Total	26 930 100	100	1 515 071.00	100

Land & resource evaluation module

Māori landowners

A. Base information

- Base maps and reference maps
- Aerial photographs, satellite imagery
- Legal boundaries,
- Infrastructure (houses, roads, settlements)



B. Physical Resource Information

- Land resources
- LUC, rock, soil, vegetation, climate
- Land use /existing vegetative cover
- Local knowledge
- Historical land use
- Sites of cultural significance.

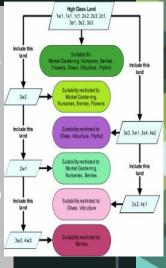


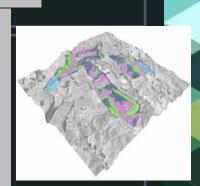
C. Opportunities - decision making

- Landowner aspirations
- Land use options,
- Natural resources
 (soils, climate,
 location, geothermal,
 quarry, springs, water)
- Values, cultural and social (Decision trees
- Recreational use (fishing, hunting, lifestyle, amenity)
- Economics, markets

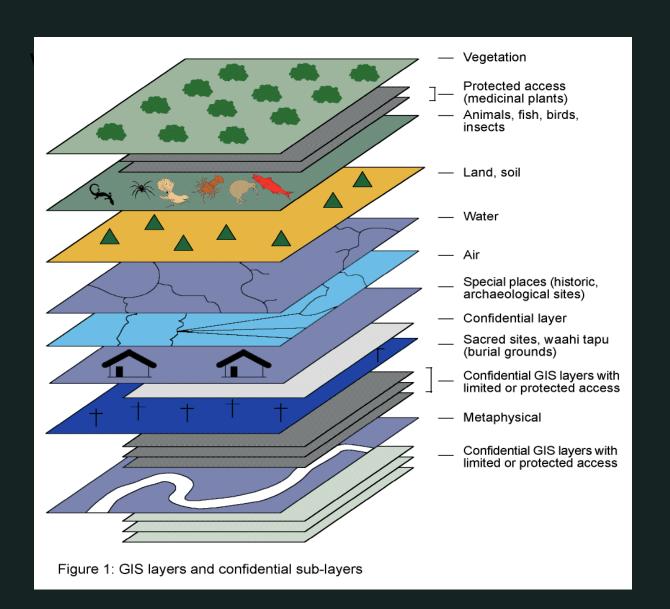
D. Modelling scenarios

- Feasibility studie
- Economics
- Futures modelling
- Scenarios
- Environmental impacts
- Cultural values





Building a knowledge base for Māori land blocks



National datasets

Land Resource Information System (LRIS) http://lris.scinfo.org.nz



The New Zealand Land Resource Inventory (NZLRI) http://www.landcareresearch.co.nz/databases/nzlri.asp

The National Soils Database

http://www.landcareresearch.co.nz/databases/nsd.asp

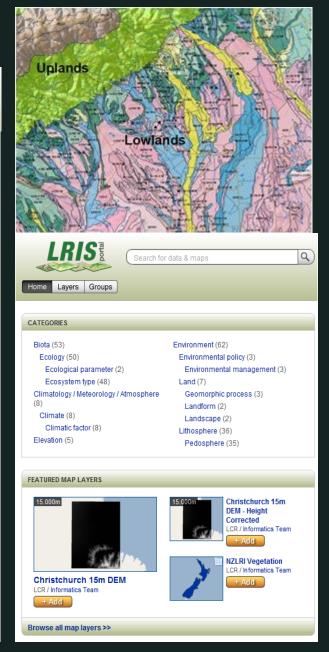
S-map – a seamless digital soil information system for New Zealand nominally at 1:50 000 scale.

http://smap.landcareresearch.co.nz/home

The Land Cover Database (LCDB)

http://www.mfe.govt.nz/issues/land/land-cover-dbase/http://www.mfe.govt.nz/issues/land/land-cover-dbase/

http://koordinates.com/



LAND & SOILS RESOURCES

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Provide on-line tools and technologies

- **Desktop examination of** existing information:
- Soil and land resource mapping:
- Farm scale land resource evaluations:
- Specialised soil mapping and analyses:
- Land use scenario modelling:

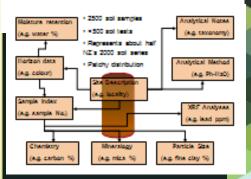
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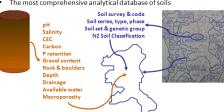




NZ Fundamental Soil Layer

Hybrid of the NZLRI and NZNSD that combines:

- The best spatial delineation of soils, with
- The most comprehensive analytical database of soils

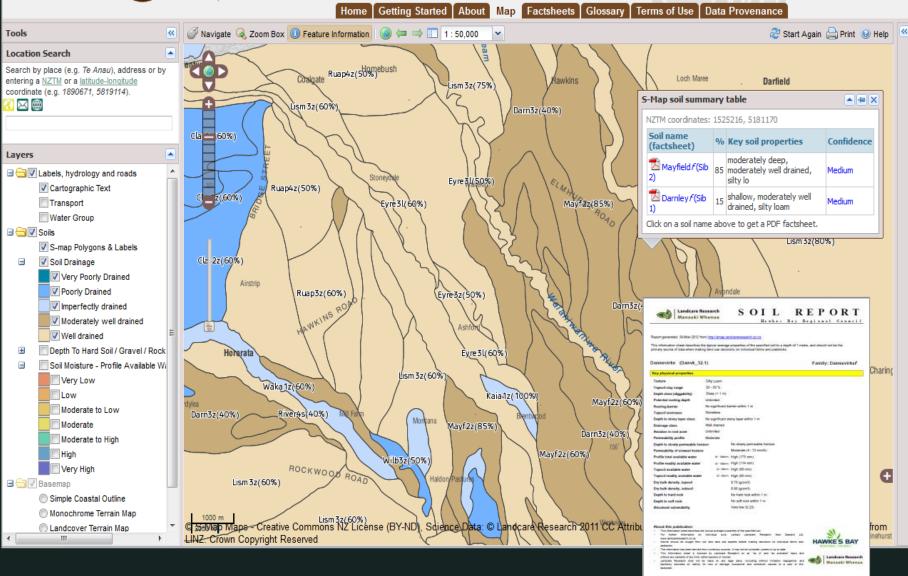




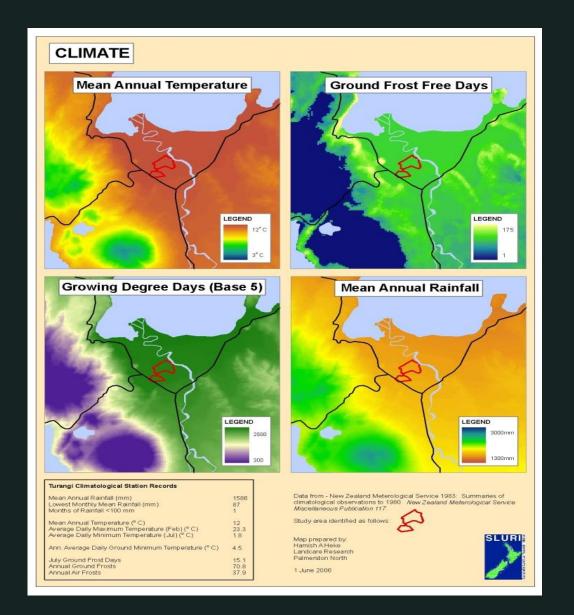
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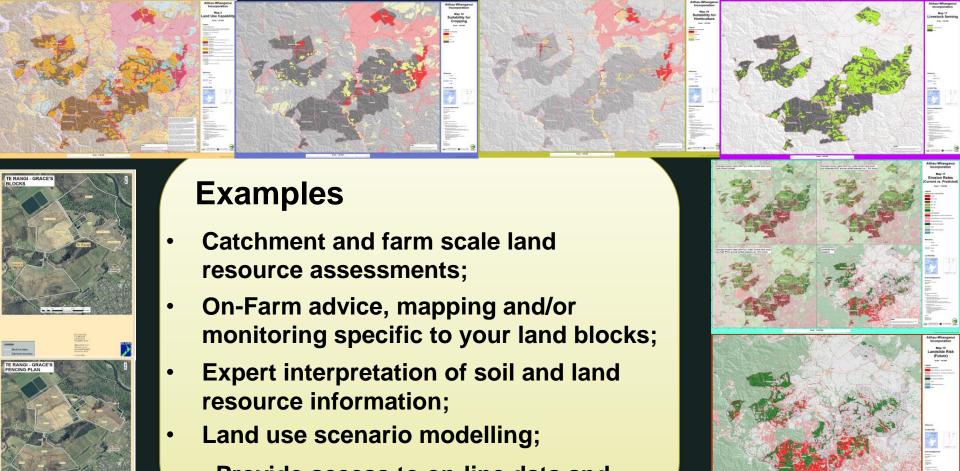




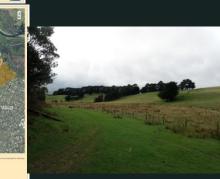


Climate data





 Provide access to on-line data and soils information.

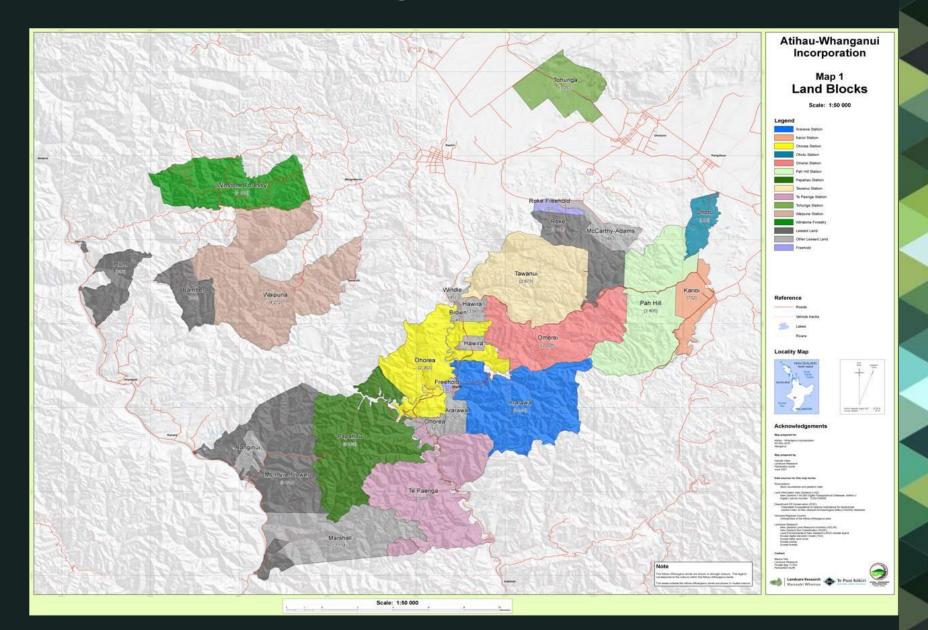




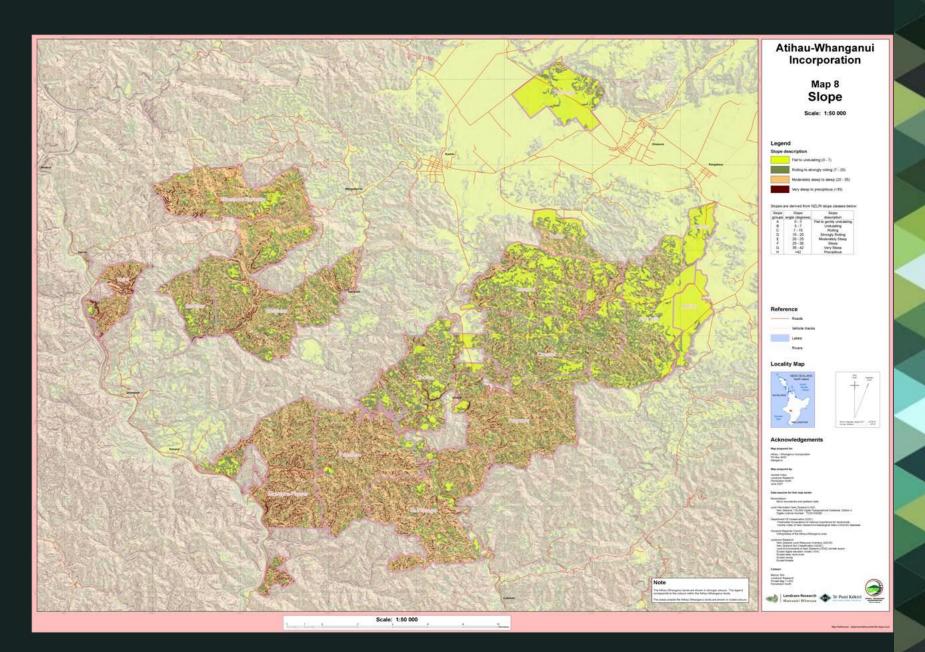




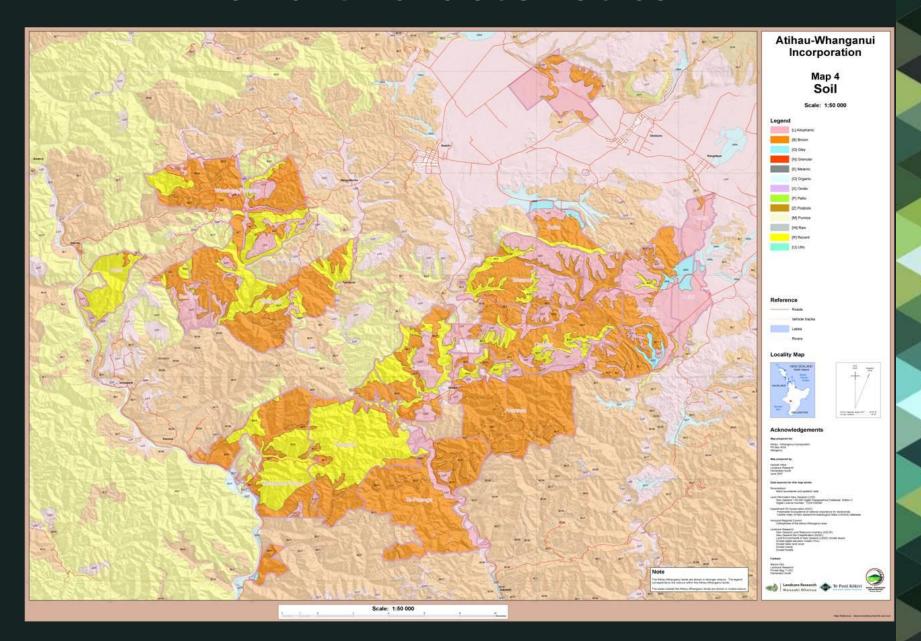
Atihau-Whanganui Land-blocks



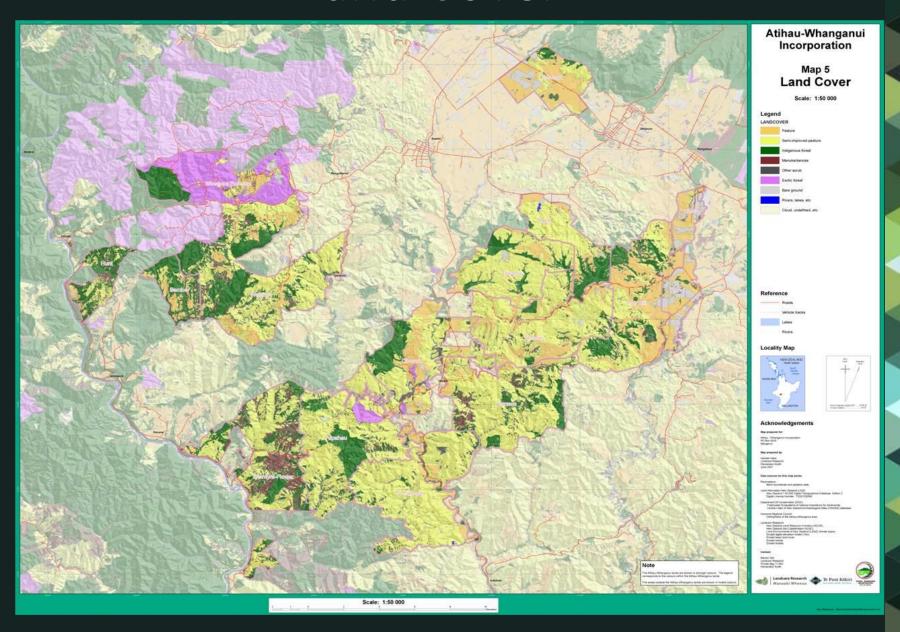
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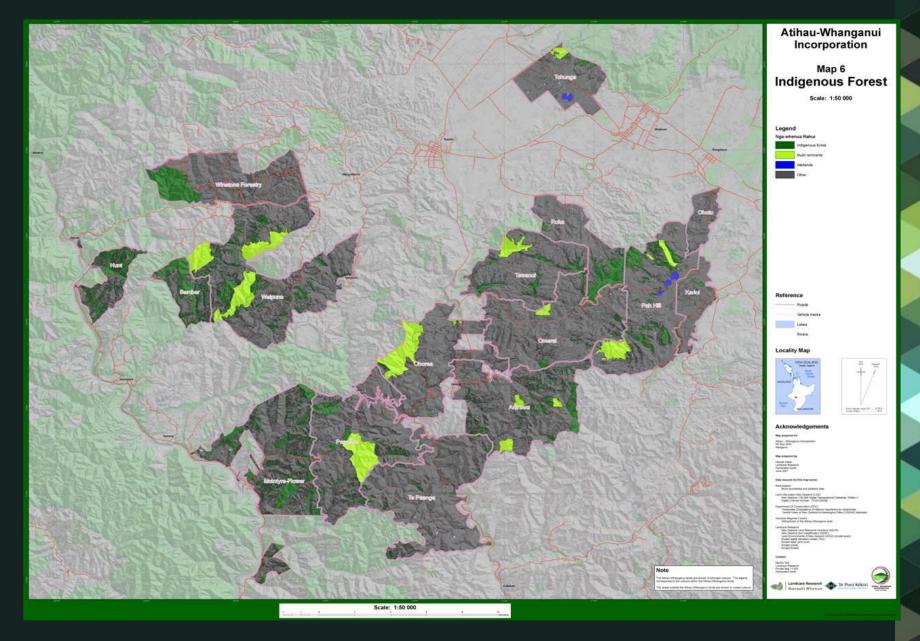
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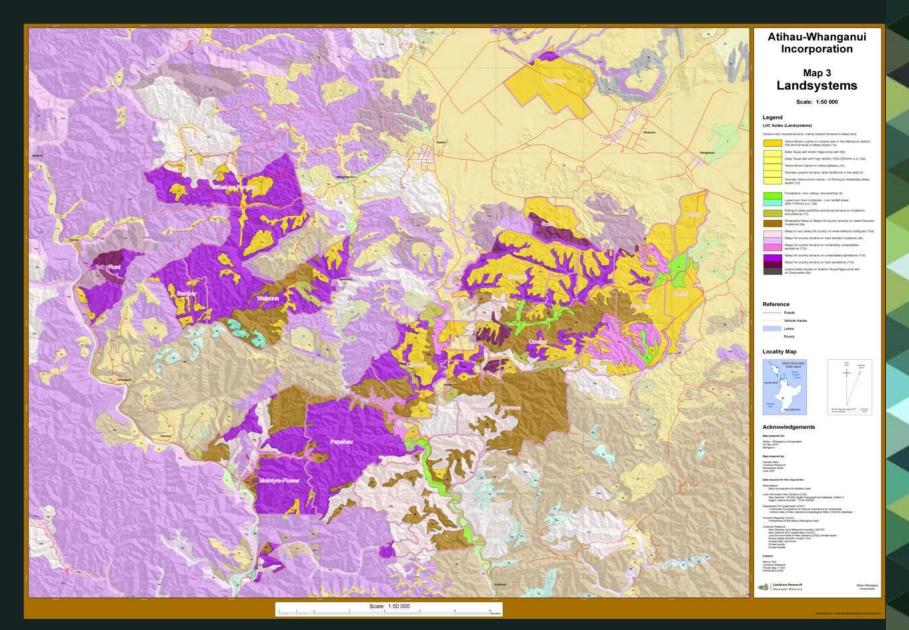
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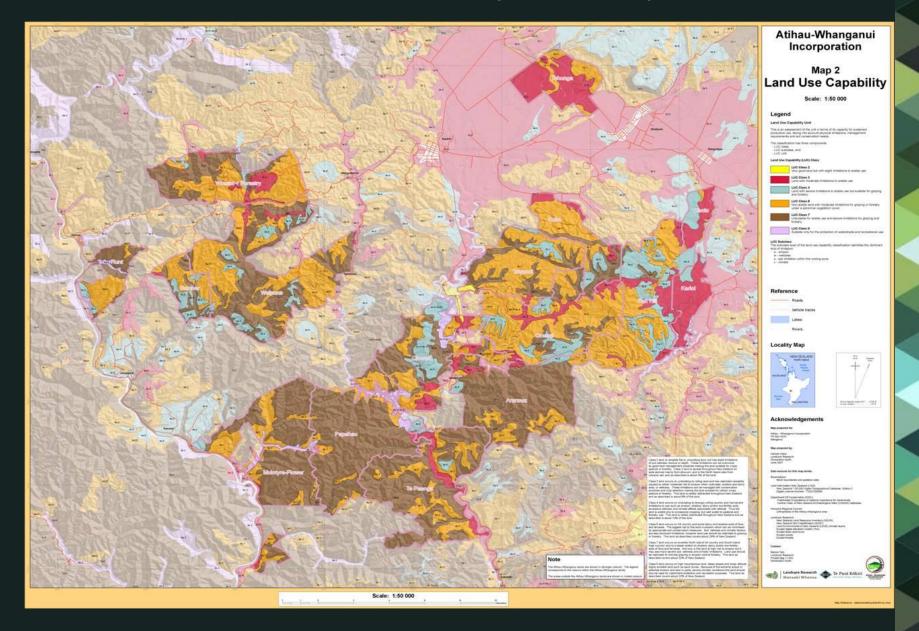
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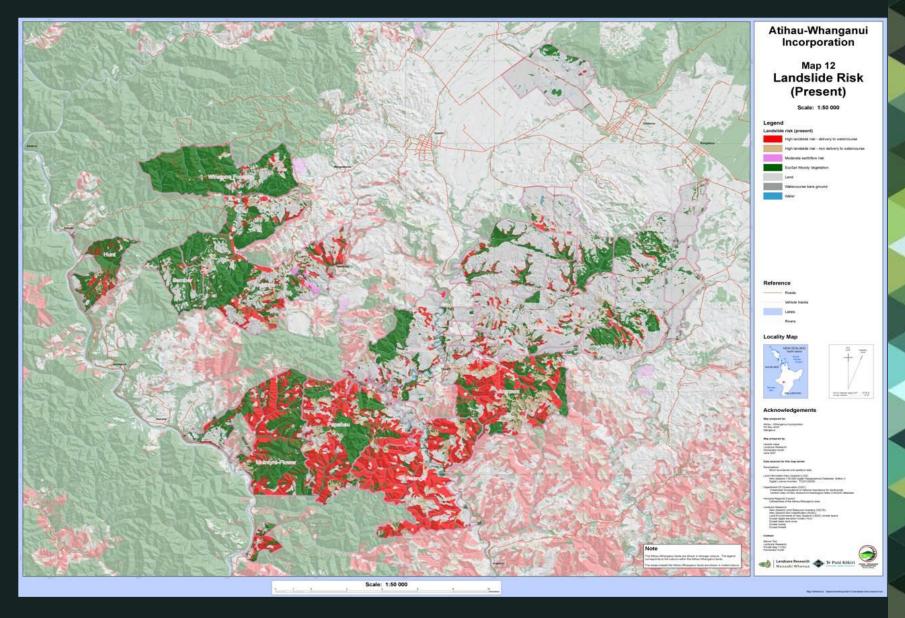
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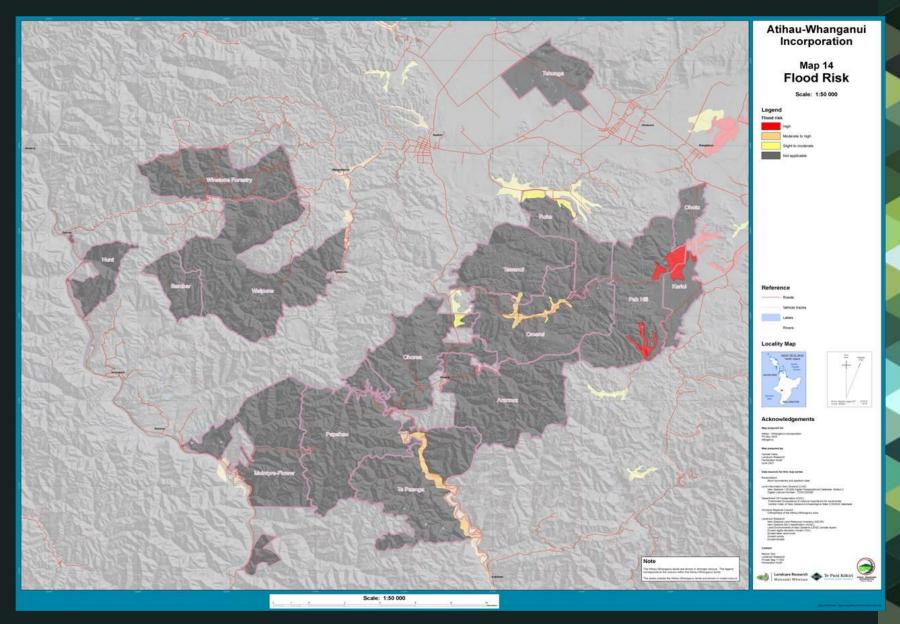
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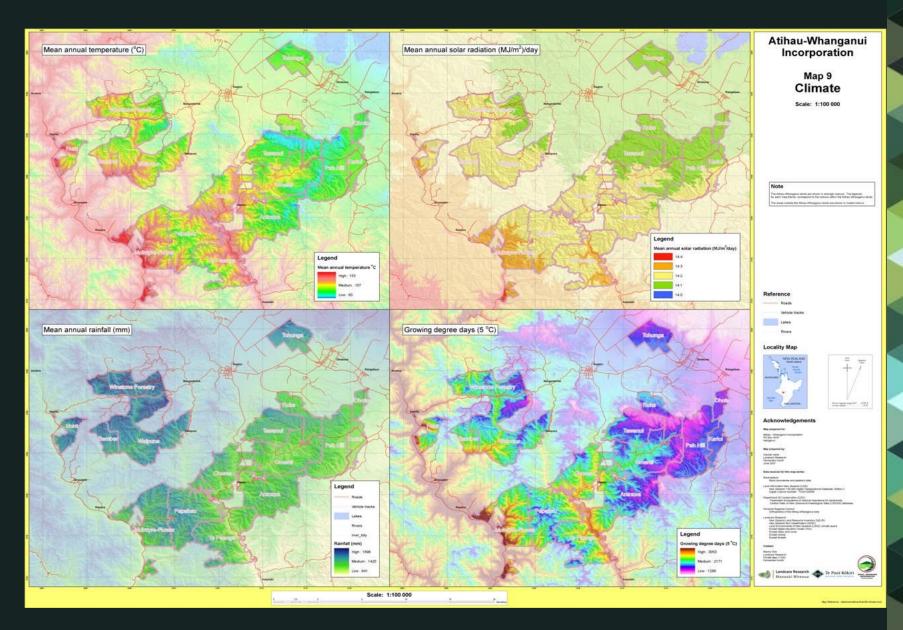
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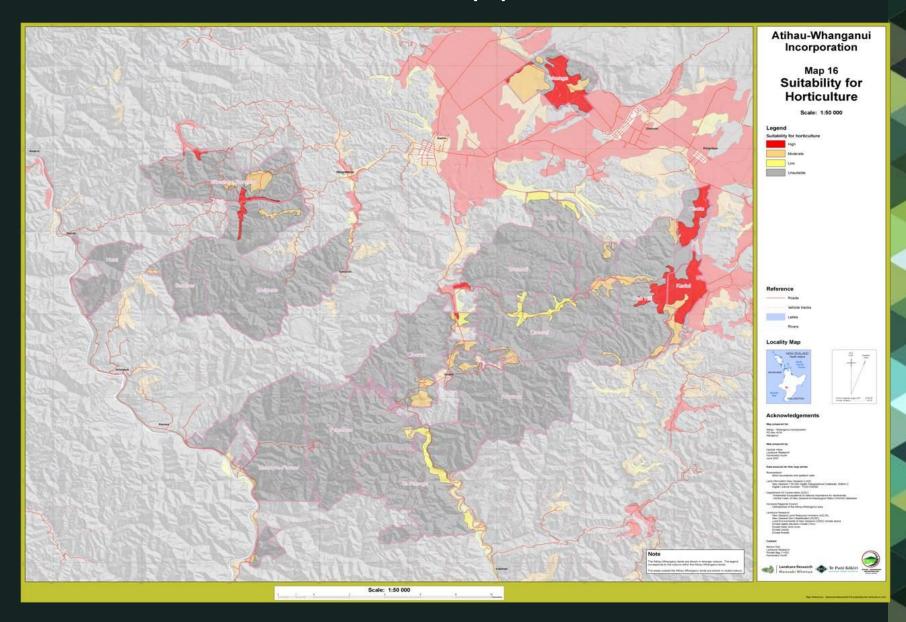


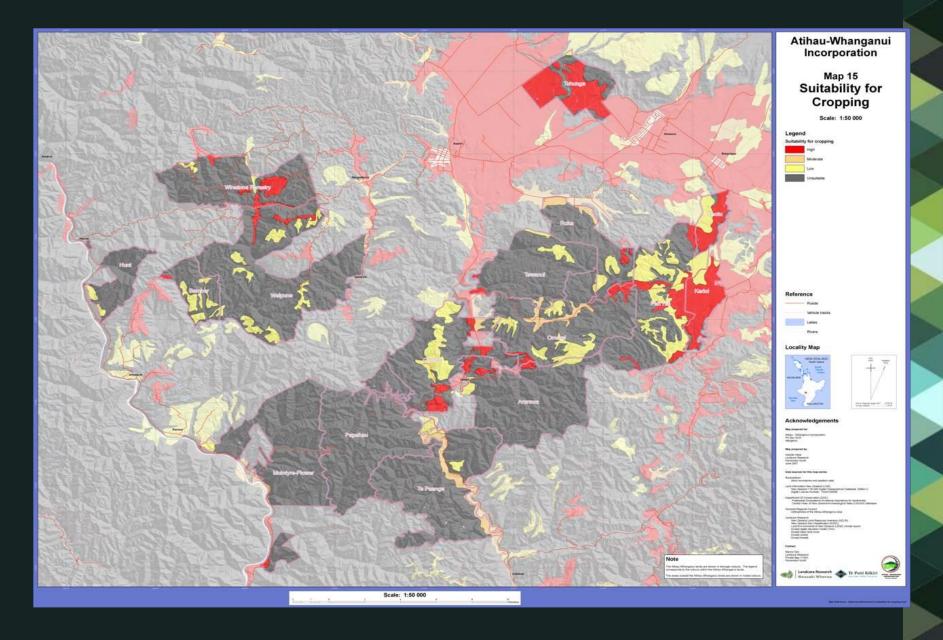
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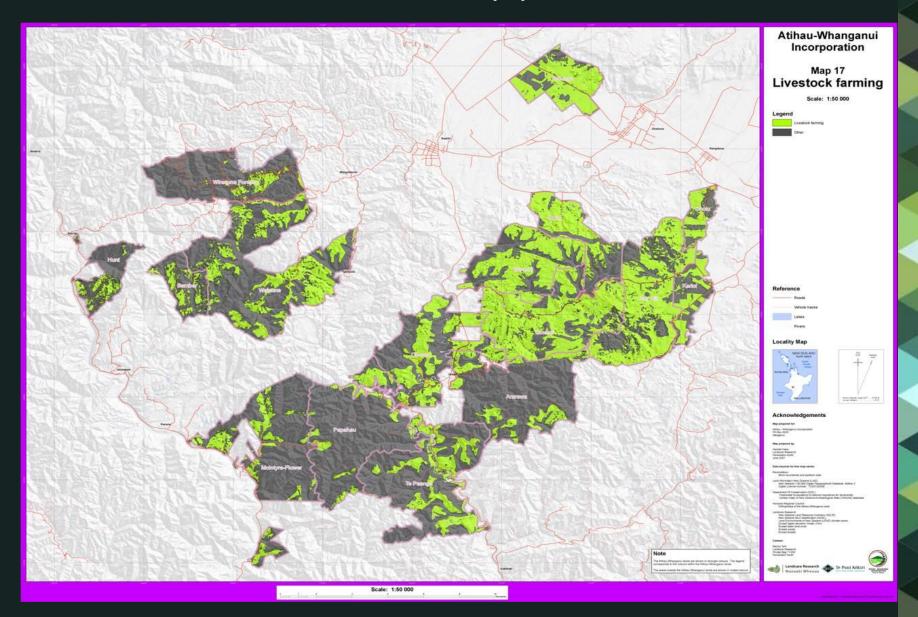


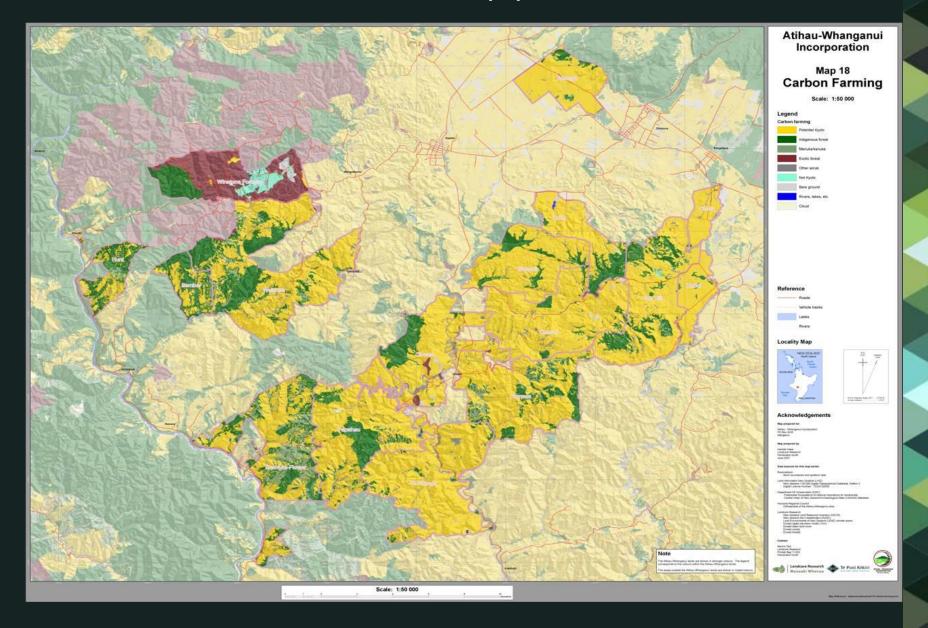
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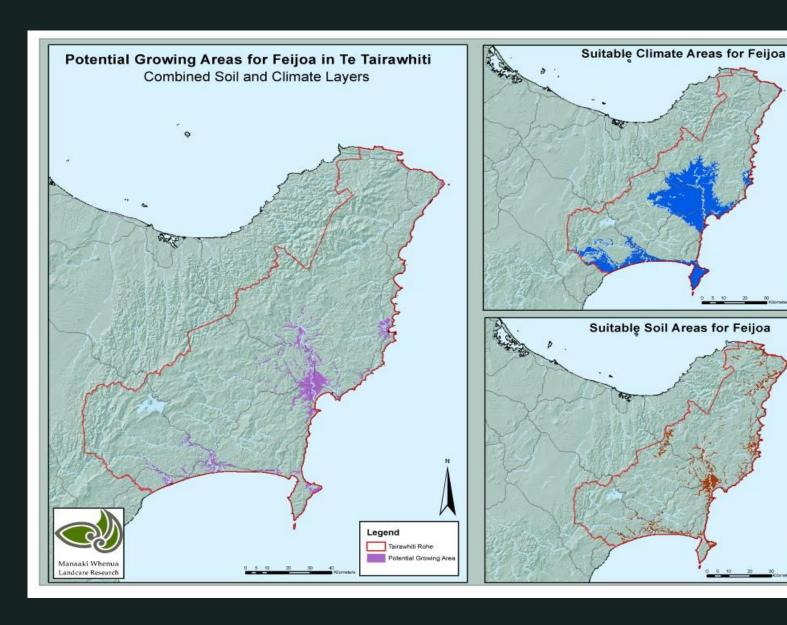


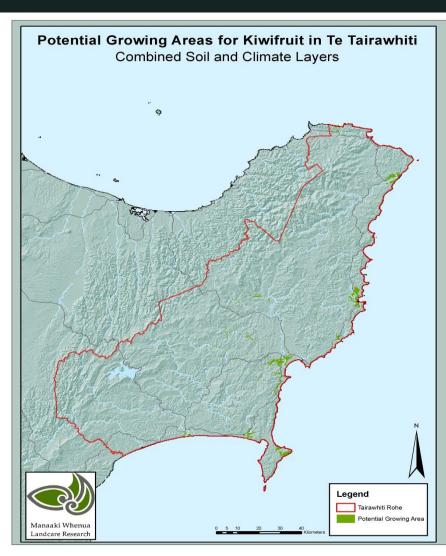


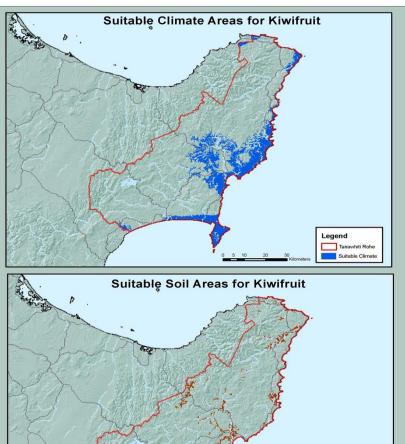




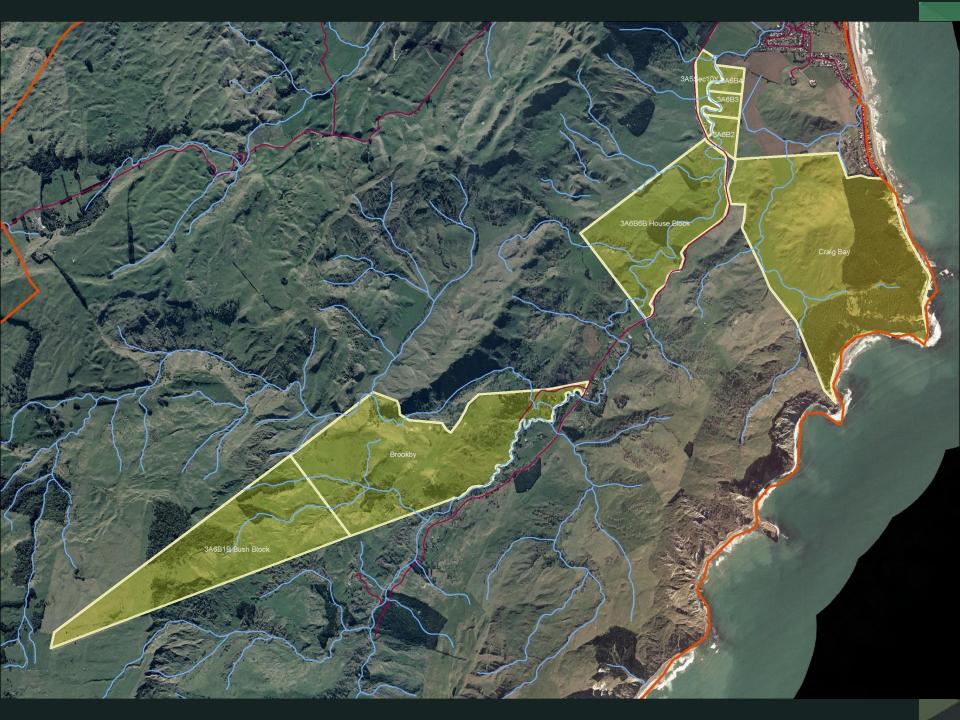
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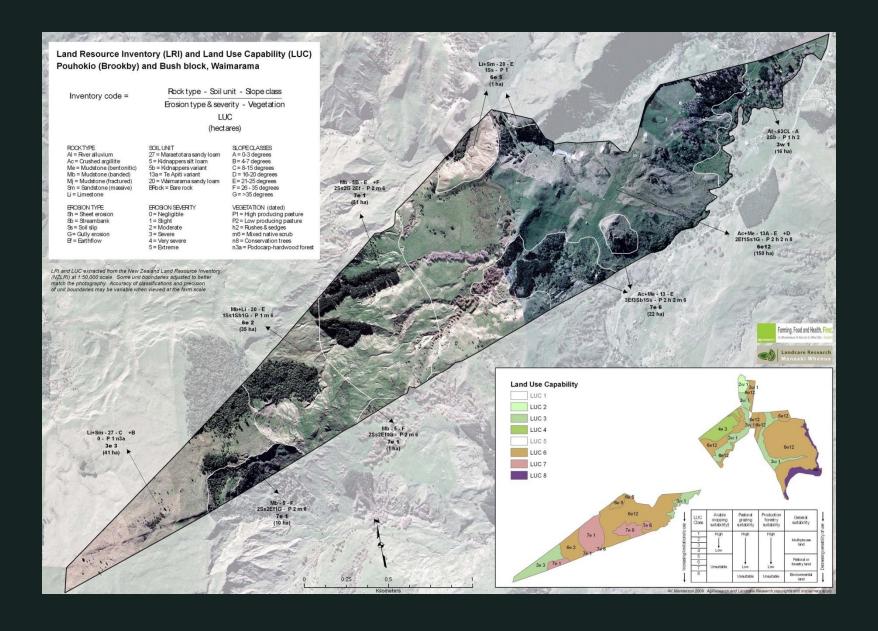




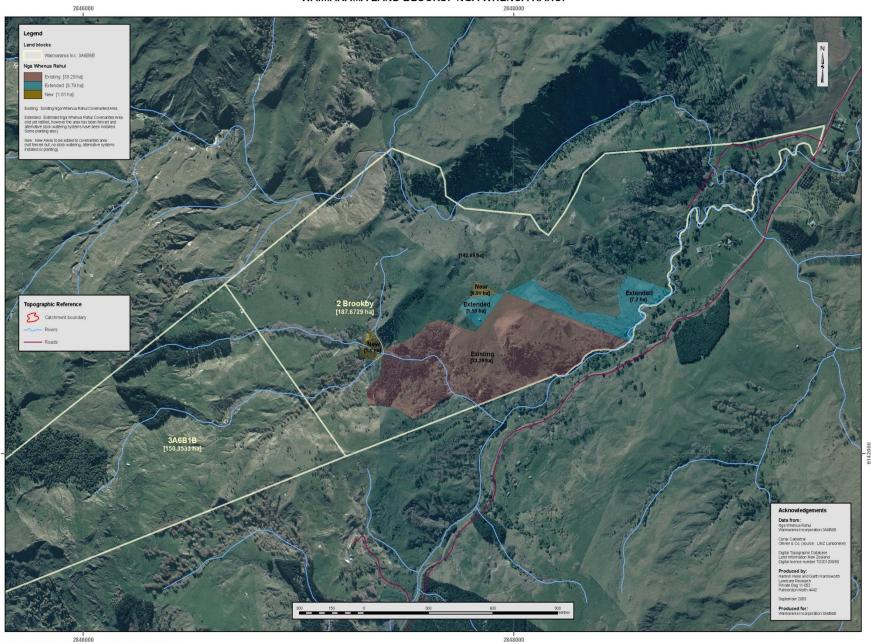


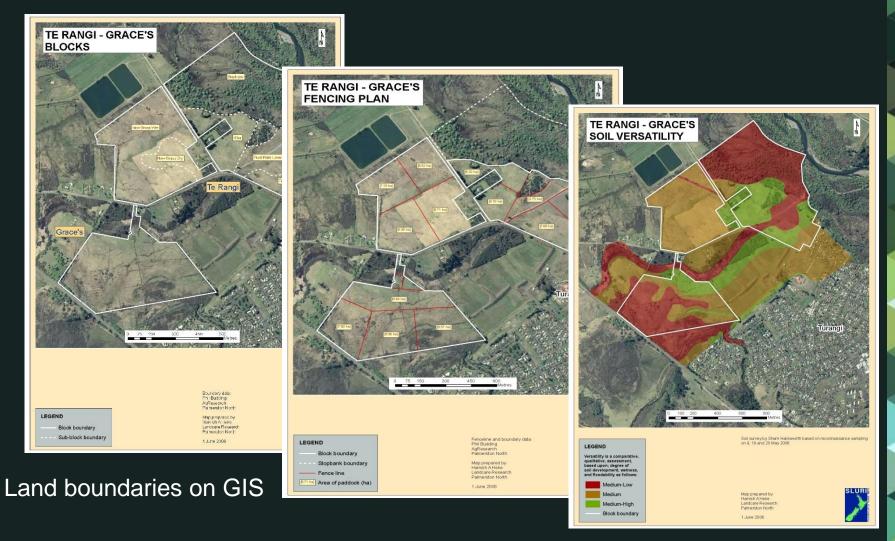
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WAIMARAMA LAND BLOCKS: NGA WHENUA RAHUI

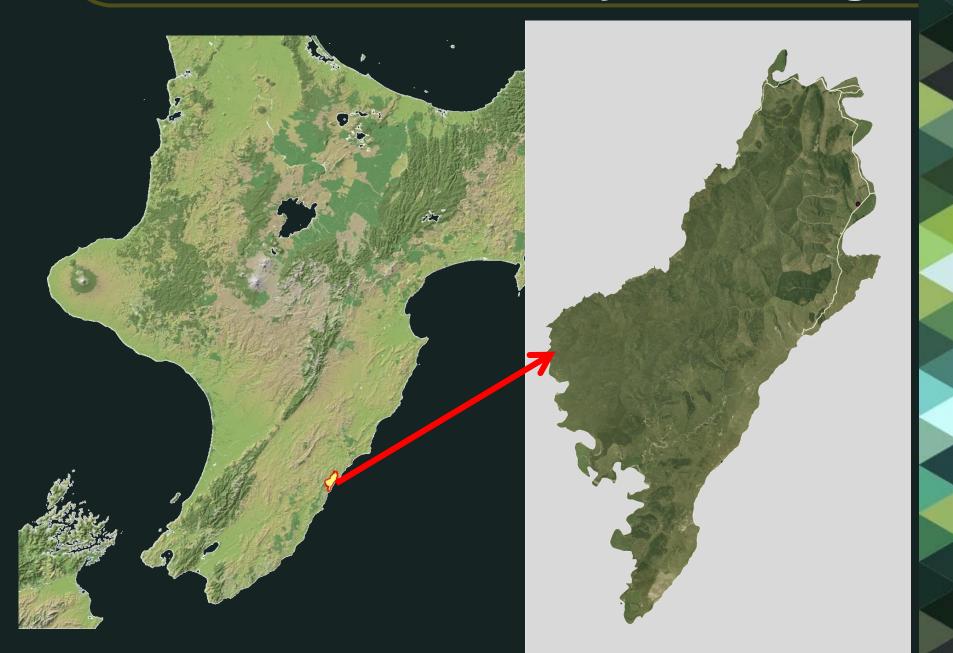




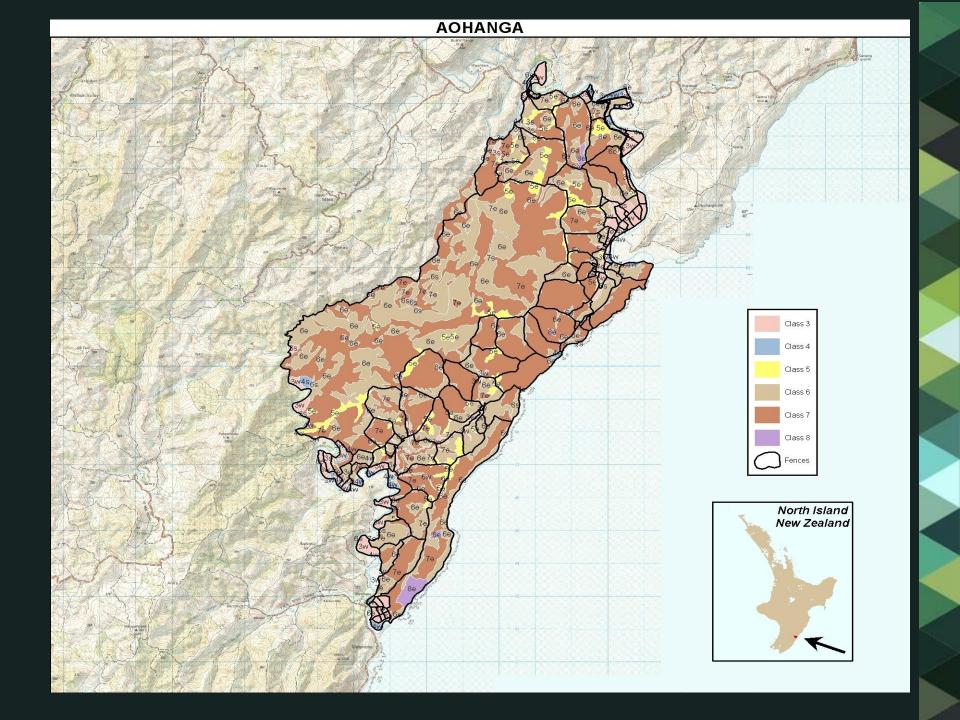
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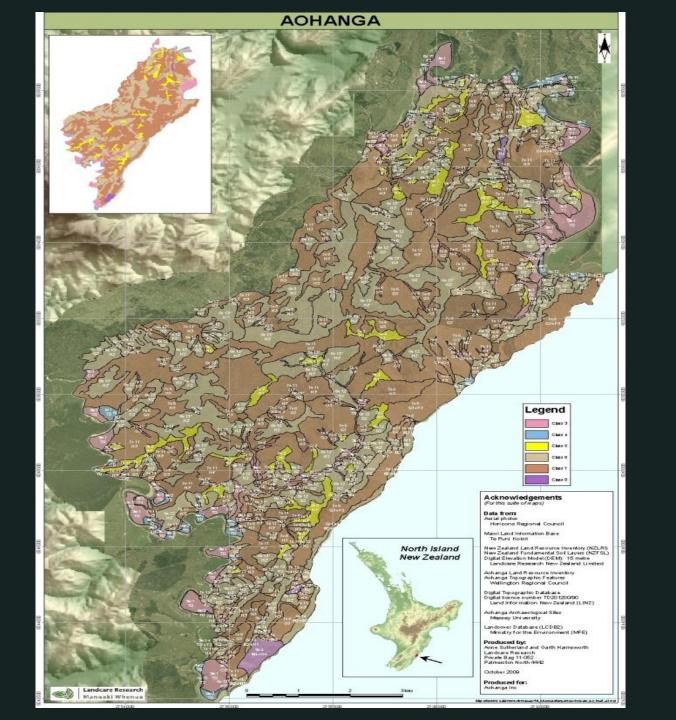
Soil versatility

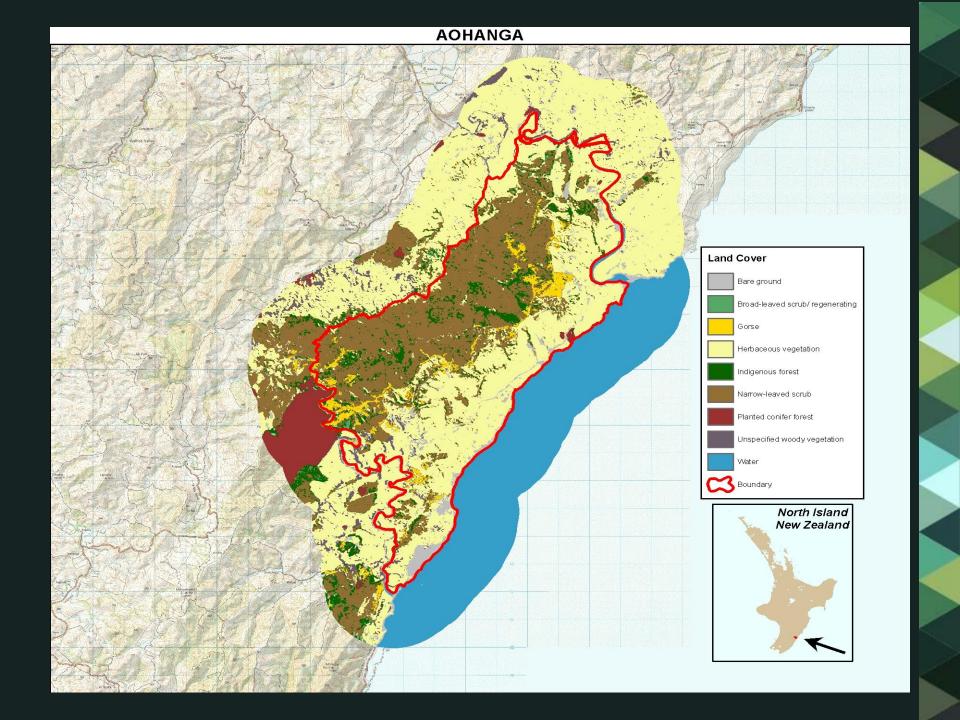
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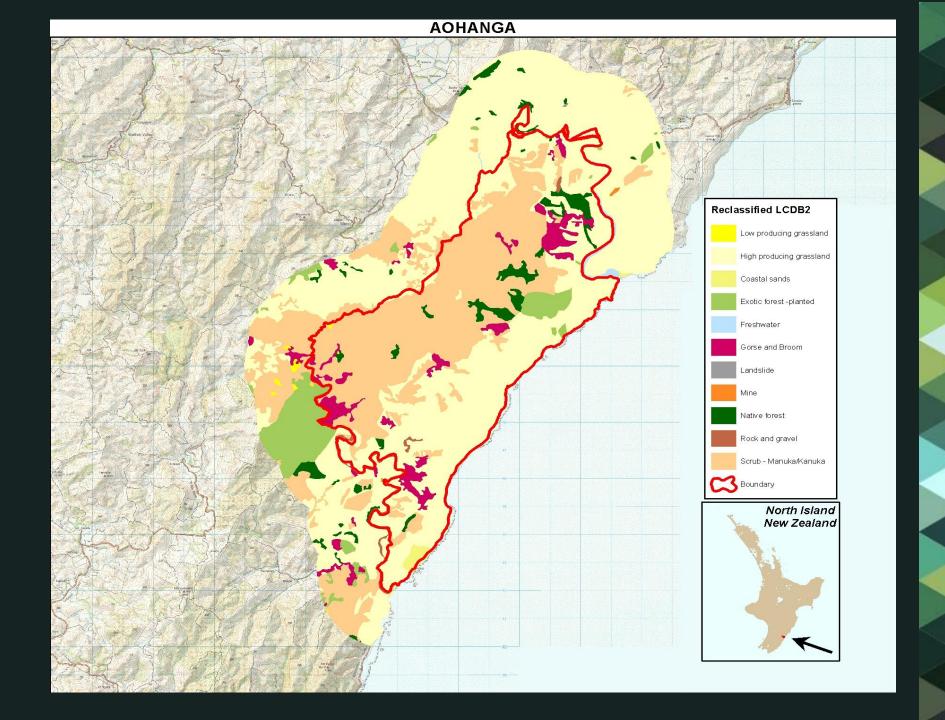














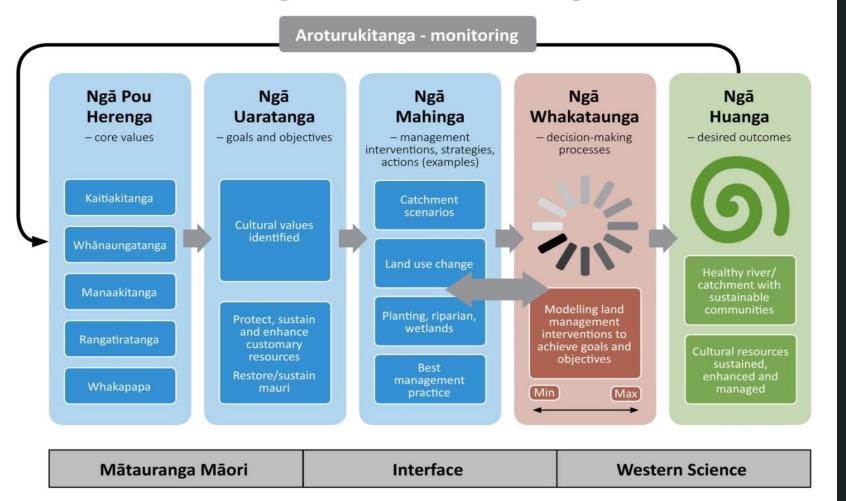
Criteria		Current Sheep and Beef	Expanded Sheep & Beef	Tree Planting	Expanded Sheep & Beef and Tree Planting
Kaitiakitanga	Mahinga Kai				
	Ngā Wai Tipuna				
	Wāhi Tapu/Taonga				
	Ngā Otaota Māori				
Manaakitanga	Whanaungatanga				
	Education				
	Partnerships				
Whakatipu Rawa	Integenerational Investment				
	Whakapūmautanga				
	Labour FTEs				

PŌHARA ĀHUA PAI PAI PAI RAWA

Kaupapa Māori modelling framework

Mātauranga Māori and science approaches can be used together to achieve iwi/hapū aspirational goals and outcomes/agreed outcomes

Mātauranga Māori and Modelling Interface



2 new science programmes

Short title: Next generation S-map, smarter decisions

(Digital soil map of New Zealand) (MBIE funded Oct 2016)

Short title: Soil health: oneone ora, tangata ora

Descriptive title: Soil ecosystem health and resilience – a pathway to prosperity and wellbeing

(MBIE funded Oct 2016)

S-map MBIE Exec Summary

Focus on four main work streams:

1 & 2) Development of a spatial framework and a flexible technical infrastructure that supports the use of digital soil mapping techniques

3) Quantification and predictive modelling of soil hydrological attributes that control water flow through soils

4) Development of tools and outputs to support different decision-making needs that are more culturally responsive, interactive, and relevant at a range of scales.

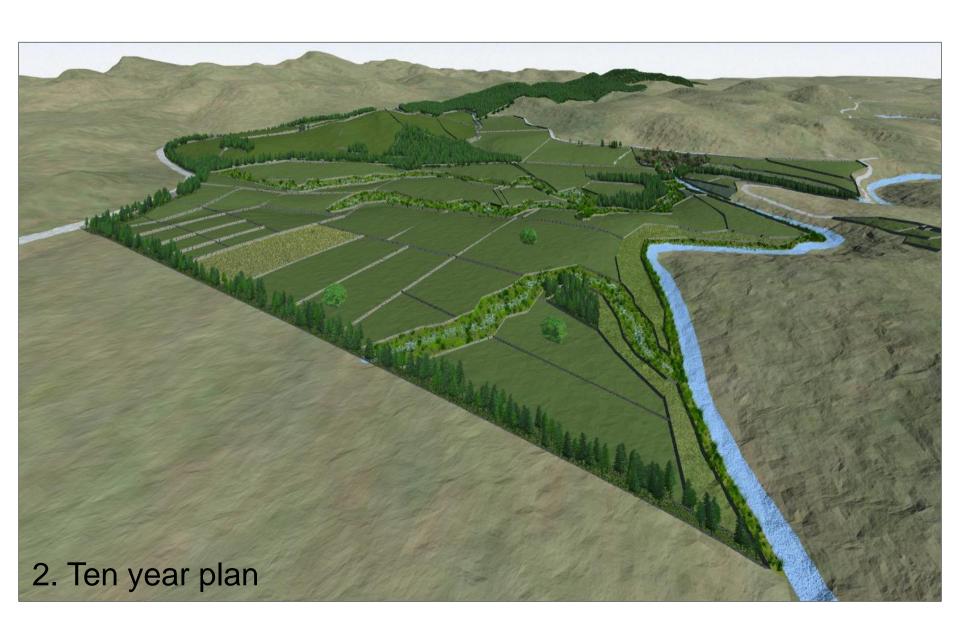
Soil Health

Three Main Objectives:

1. Science: Soil Resilience (soil health over long term by testing pedogenic thresholds)

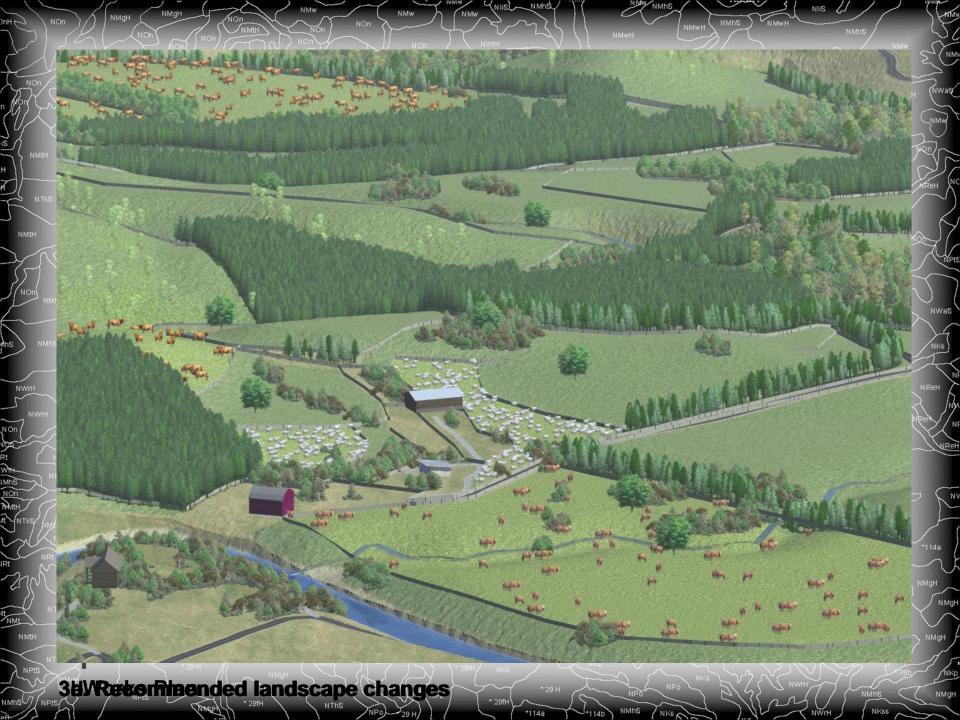
2. Māori perspectives/concepts and indicators of Soil Health

Develop an Integrated Soil Health Framework for policy and planning





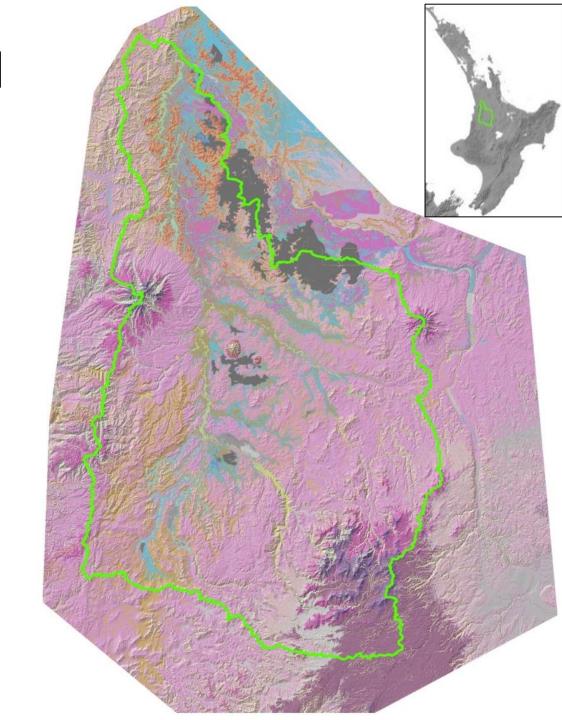


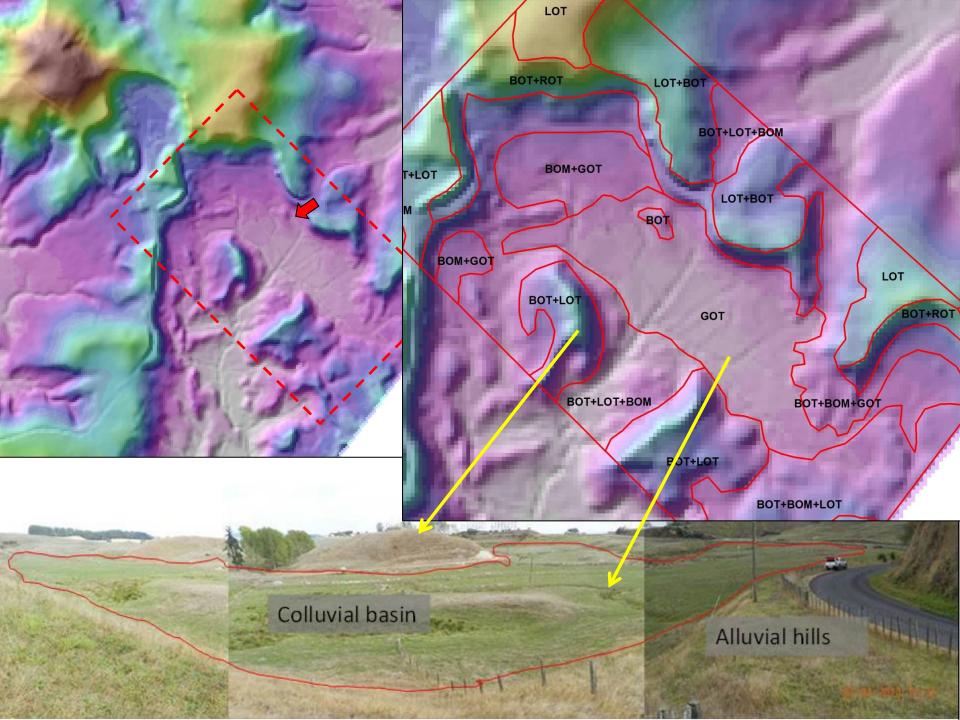




Waipa DSM

- A digital soil map for the Waipa
- 1:50,000 scale
- Fit for purpose
- Stepping stone to farm scale
- Other uses?





S-map → Overseer → Regulation?

Soil N leaching kg/ha/y

Allophanic 31

Gley 21

Recent 48

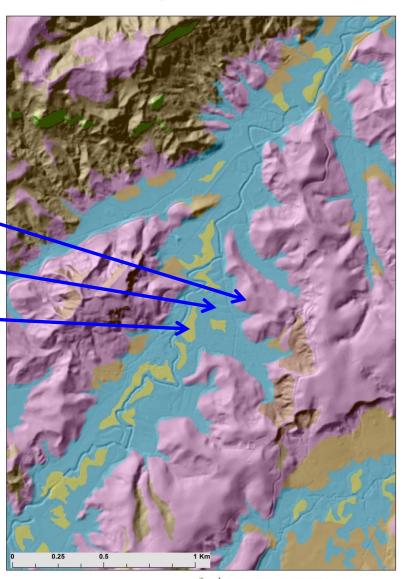
Critical to know:

- Which soils are present
- Proportion of each
- Where they are located

To inform land use and management







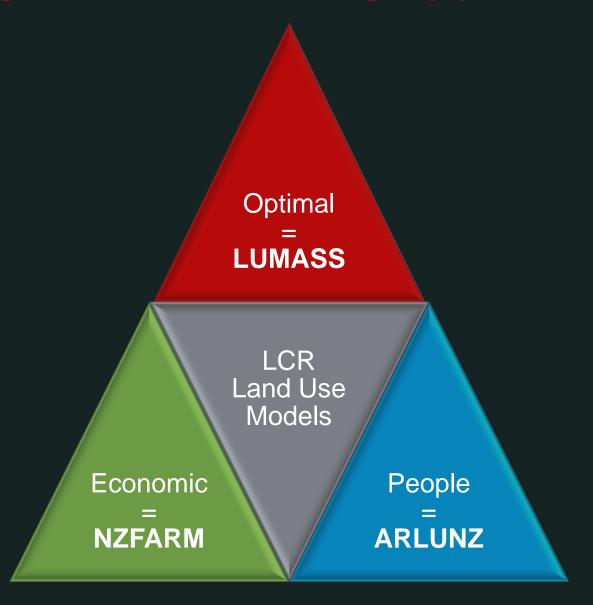


Māori decision tools

Integrated tools:

- LUMASS Indicate what is the optimal land use based on environmental/economic goals and constraints
 - 1. Good for catchments, rural scenarios and decisions
 - 2. Assessing the resource-use efficiency of land use
- 2. NZFARM Consistently compare the economic & environmental impacts of policy scenarios & policy design
- 3. ARLUNZ See how land use change is influenced by social processes and economics
 - 1. Social networks, succession plans, imitation, endorsement

Integrated modelling approaches

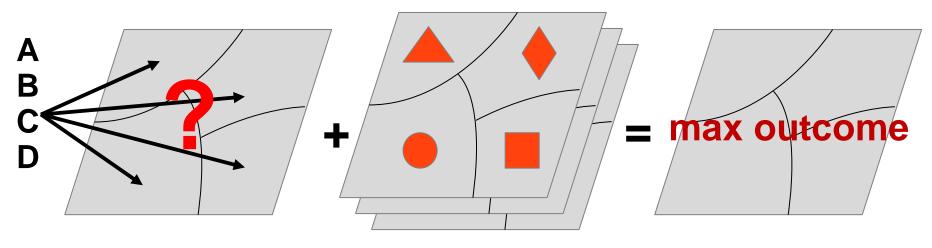


Overview of models

Model	Scale	Specialisation	Land Uses	Modelling Unit
LUMASS	Catchment	Optimisation	All rural land uses (Productive/Non- Productive)	User defined
NZFARM	National & Catchment	Economic	All rural land uses (Productive/Non- Productive)	National = 5km Grids Catchment = Sub- catchment/LUC
ARLUNZ	Catchment	Behaviour Economic Social	All rural land uses (Productive/Non- Productive)	Farm/Cadastral

LUMASS – Optimal Spatial Resource Allocation

Performance Criteria



Resource + Performance = Outcome

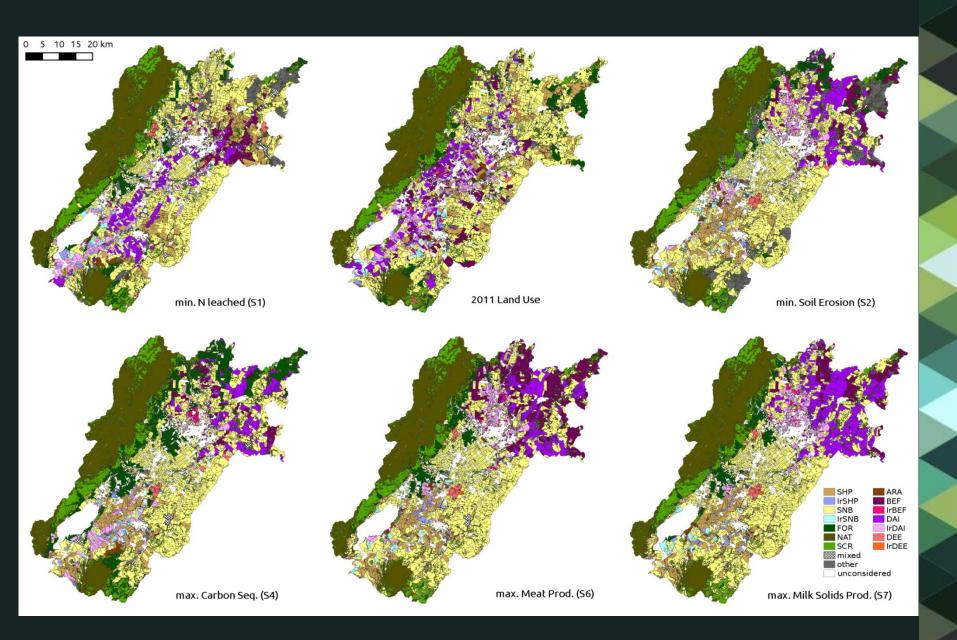
Land-Use + Productivity = max Revenue

Land-Use + Env. Indicator - min Env. Impact

Water + Spec. Efficiency = max Efficiency

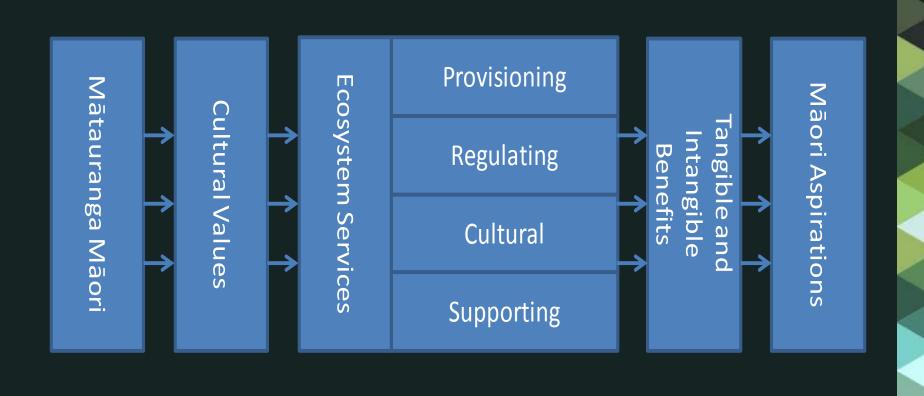
Habitat + Suitability = max Biodiversity

Exploring Limits: Land-use configurations maximising individual services



An ecosystem services classification framework of provisioning, regulating, cultural and supporting services showing the 33 main service sub-categories for New Zealand (Dymond et al. 2012)

			Important services to assess in NZ	Natural ecosystems	Production ecosystems	
Total value of ecosystem services	Direct use values	Provisioning services	Food: crops	Forest	Pasture	
		Regulating services	Food: livestock	Shrubland	Cropland	<
	Indirect use	Cultural services	Food: aquaculture	Grassland	Orchard	
	values	Supporting services	Food: capture fisheries	Alpine ecosystem	Forest	
	Passive	Option values	Food: wild foods	Subalpine shrubland		
	values	Existence values	Fibre: timber and wood fibres	Wetland		B
		Bequest values	Fibre: others	Estuary		
			Biomass fuel	Mangroves		2
			Freshwater	Lake		
			Genetic resources	River		
			Minerals	Marine		S
			Physical support for dwellings			
			Climate regulation (global)			
			Water regulation			
			Water purification and waste treatment			á
			Erosion regulation			
			Pest regulation			
			Disease regulation			
			Pollination			
			Air quality regulation			
			Natural hazard regulation			
			Spiritual and aesthetic values			4
			Recreation			
			Tourism			d
			Sense of belonging			
			Soil formation and maintenance			
			Provision of natural habitat free of weeds			
			and pests			



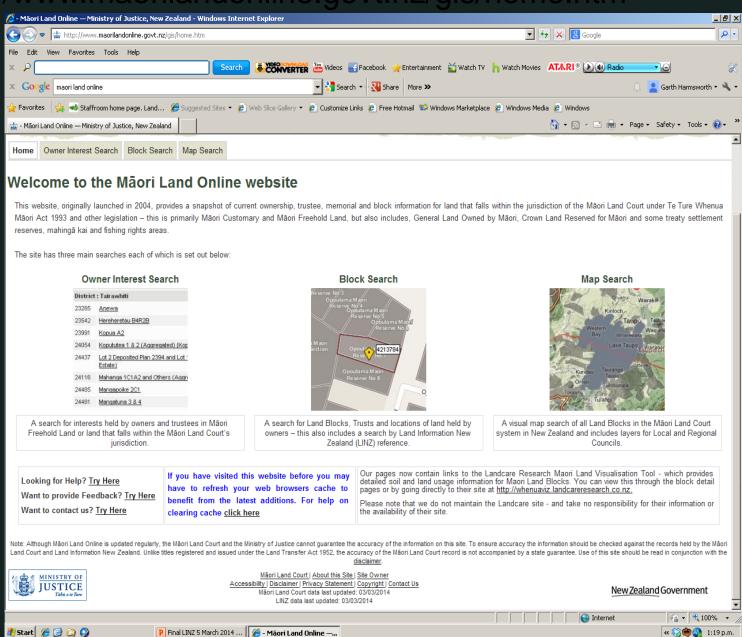
Unlocking the potential - Conclusions & recommendations

- More holistic kaupapa Māori approach needed to Māori land
- Meaningful information/knowledge aligned to aspirations and values (meet needs)
- Requires a collective and partnership approach (not single block) between land owners, Govt, iwi/hapū, councils, industry to develop capacity and scale
- Regional approaches e.g., iwi/hapū growth strategies, regional economic growth strategies, etc

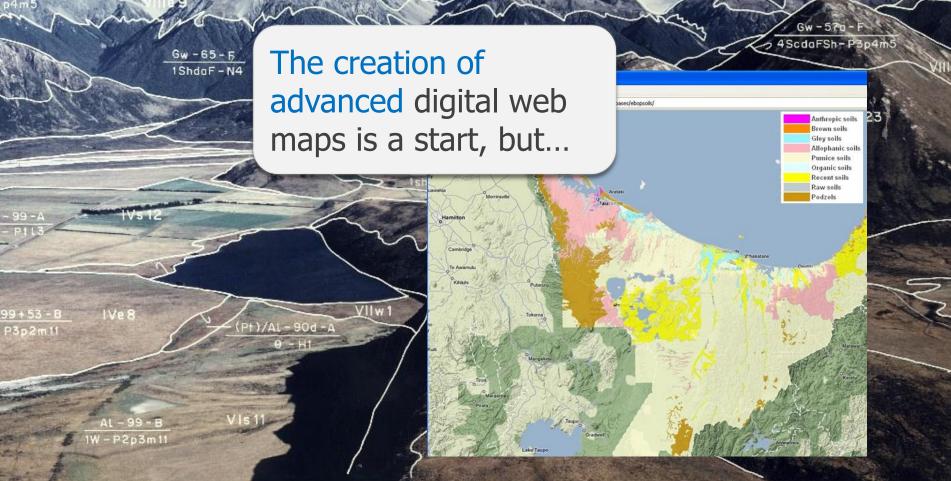
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- Range of frameworks and models available e.g., integrated models, cultural values frameworks, ecosystem service frameworks, bio-economics, etc
- Diversified multi-functional landscapes/multiple use matched to land types, physical potential
- Move from data to knowledge (better understanding) about characteristics and properties of Māori land
- Catchment approaches are useful (e.g., within environmental limits, cultural impacts, regulations)
- Need to understand global markets, consumer values and needs, value added premium products

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Landcare land resource information is rich in detail but it can be difficult for land owners to interpret 9 4ScdaFSh-P3p4m5 Gw -65-5 The creation of 1ShdaF - N4 advanced digital web Anthropic soils maps is a start, but... Brown soils Gley soils Allophanic soils Pumice soils Organic soils Recent soils Raw soils Podzols



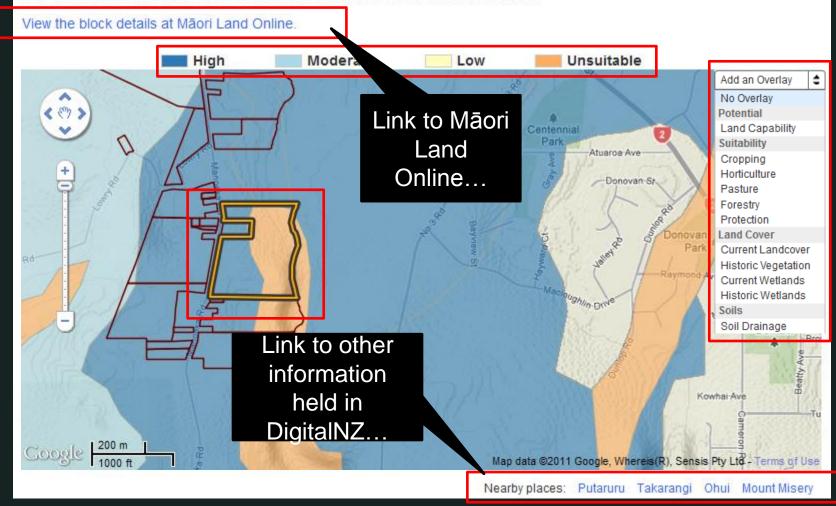
Ability to integrate different information

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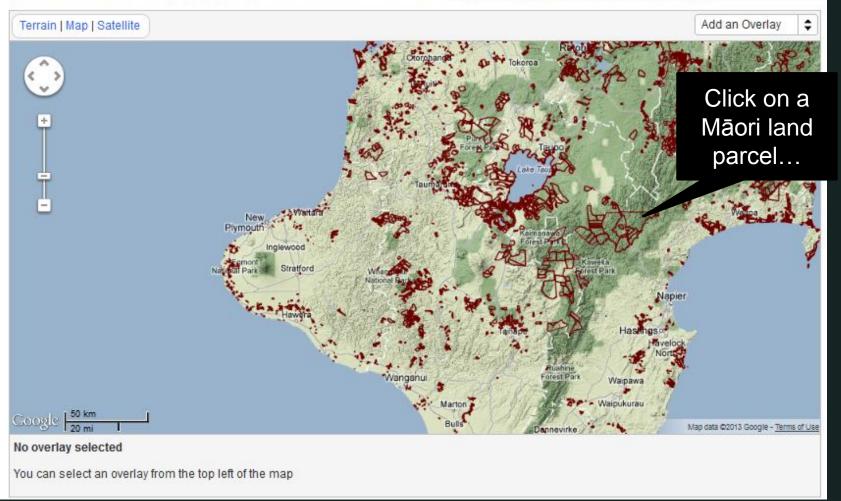
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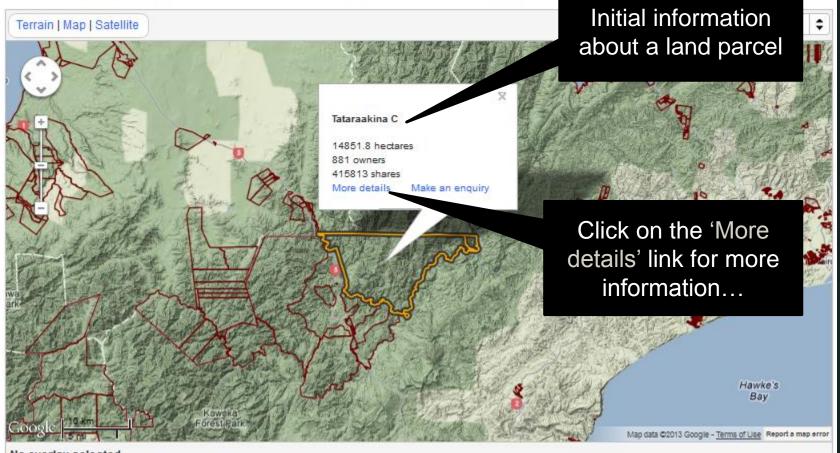
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Area: 14851.8 ha

Owners: 881

Shares: 415813

Mortgaged: No

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Land potential Land cover Climate Soil properties A view of Land Use Land Potential classes for the current What is the potential of this land? land parcel Class Description Marginal for pastoral and forestry 57% Non-arable land with severe limitations to use under perennial vegetation such as pasture or forest. 8474.84 ha **Extreme limitations** 28% Land with very severe to extreme limitations or hazards that make it unsuitable for cropping, pasture or 4149.73 ha forestry. Not suited to cropping but good for pastoral and forestry 13% Non-arable land with moderate limitations for use under perennial vegetation such as pasture or forest. 1962.54 ha Significant limitations for cropping and horticulture 2% Land with moderate limitations for arable use, but suitable for occasional cropping, pasture or forestry. 264.69 ha Land Use limitations Learn more about land use classes...

What limitations are there?

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erosion susceptibility, deposition or the effects of past erosion damage first limits production
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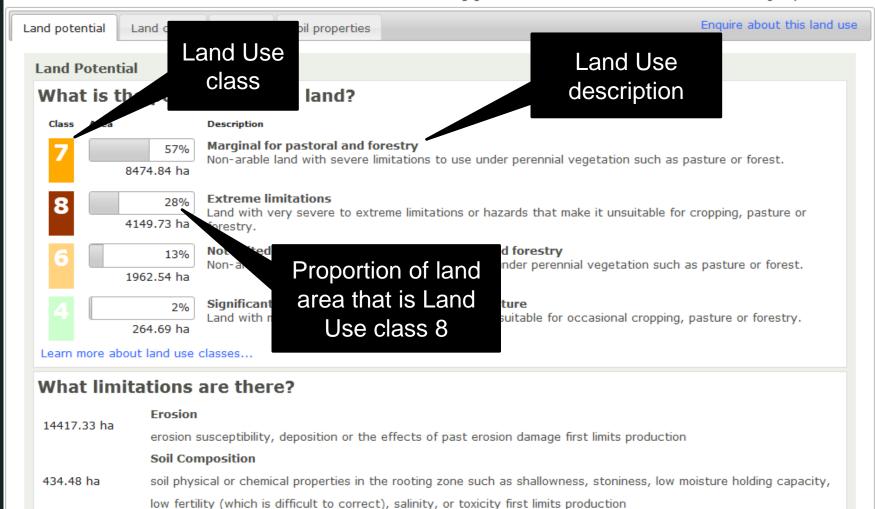
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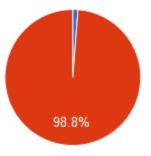
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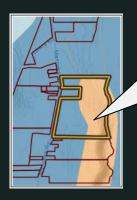
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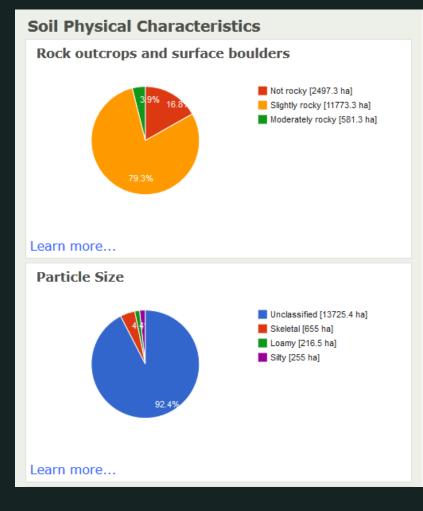
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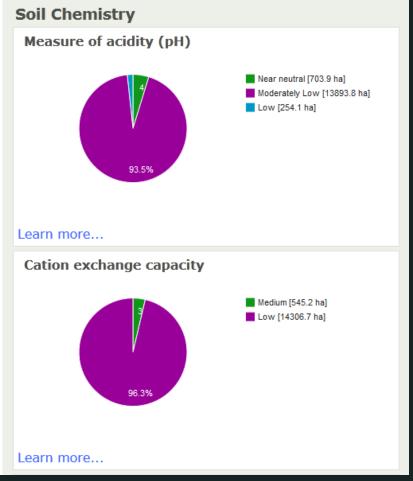


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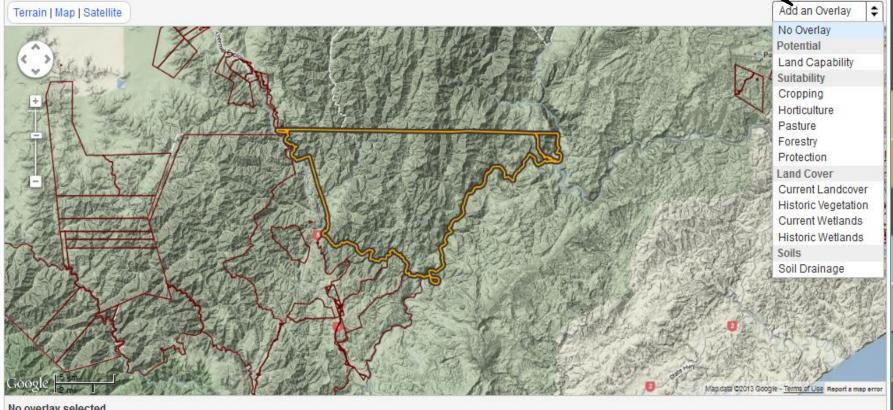


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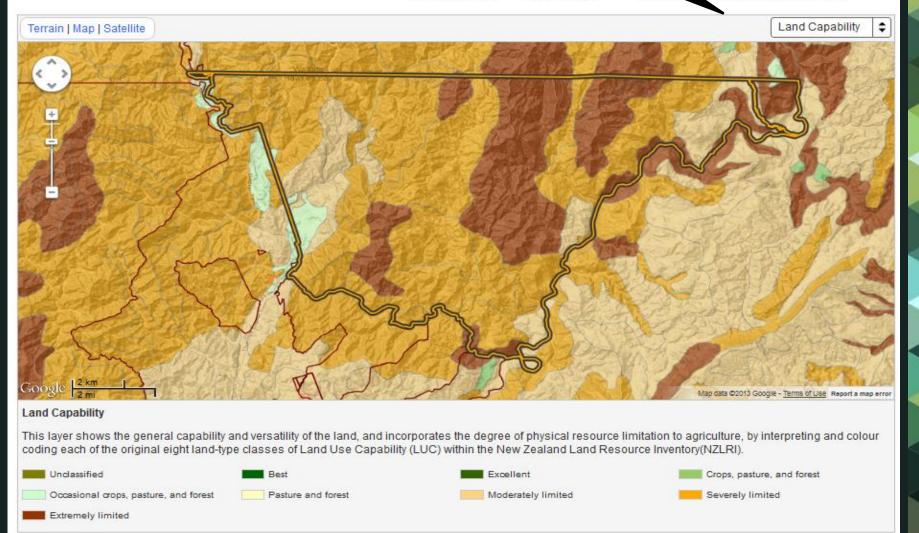


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