



How Te Ao Māori is Changing Freshwater Management in Aotearoa New Zealand

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Pictured: Purakaunui Falls

Overview

1. Te Ao Māori and freshwater
2. Current state of freshwater in NZ
3. Four areas:
 - a. Regulation
 - b. Decision-making
 - c. Reporting
 - d. Investment
4. The work ahead



Pictured: Huka Falls, Waikato River



1. Te Ao Māori (Māori Worldview)

Pictured: Whanganui River

2. Current State of Freshwater

Pictured: Te Hoiere/Pelorus River

3. Four Areas of Change

Pictured: Pāuatahanui Inlet, Porirua

A lush tropical forest scene. In the foreground, a large tree trunk is covered in moss and ferns. In the background, a small waterfall flows over dark rocks into a pool of water. The forest is dense with green foliage and sunlight filters through the trees.

4. The Work Ahead