



### Whangamarino Biodiversity Restoration



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To restore marginal farmland into high quality and productive wetland habitat

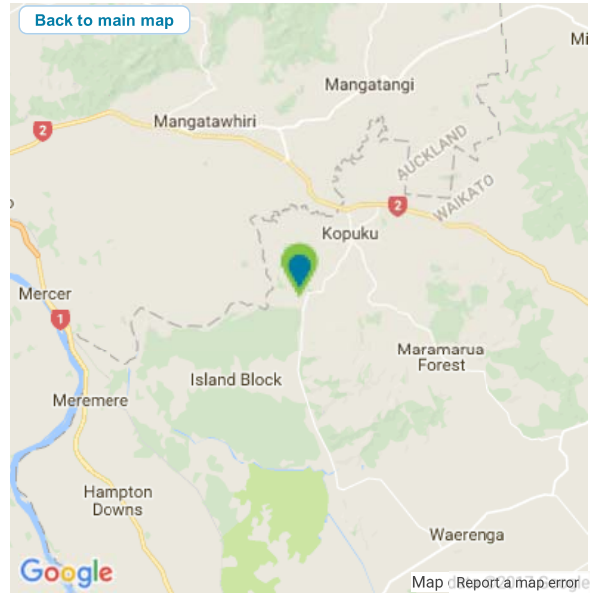
The project site currently encompasses a marginal piece of grazing land administered by the Department of Conservation and adjacent to the internationally significant Whangamarino Wetland. The area is linked to the main stem of the Waikato River through the Kopuku and Maramarua tributaries.

The greater Whangamarino Wetland Complex is a RAMSAR site and part of DoC's National Arawai Kakariki Project. The project is structured to be conducted over a 3 year period beginning in March 2012. This project aims to restore marginal farmland into high quality and productive wetland habitat.

The overarching goals of this application are to; increase biodiversity of both the terrestrial and aquatic systems, provide habitat for a number of recreational/kai and taonga species, improve the health and wellbeing of the Whangamarino Wetland complex with flow on effects to the wider catchment and increase recreation and kai gathering opportunities.

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