Tauranga Harbour sub-catchment action plan progress report 2013-16

Te Rereatukāhia

The Te Rereatukāhia sub-catchment is five kilometres south-west of Katikati, running east from the Kaimai Ranges to Tauranga Harbour near Tetley Road.

The sub-catchment is 8.5 kilometres long and two kilometres wide, covering an area of 1,857 hectares. It includes 88 kilometres of stream margins and 1.2 kilometres of harbour margin.

The primary waterways in the sub-catchment are the Ngututuru and Te Rereatukahia Streams.



Keeping water clean

By excluding stock and restoring vegetation beside waterways we can reduce the amount of faecal bacteria, nutrient and sediment run-off that enters the waterways and receiving harbour.

That means cleaner water, less mangrove habitat, and healthier kaimoana (shellfish).

Length of stream margins protected from stock



Reducing erosion risk



Soil loss from erosion reduces land productivity and contributes to sediment

run-off into nearby waterways and the harbour. Steep land is especially prone to erosion when used for cattle or deer grazing. Earthworks can also result in serious soil loss if not carefully managed.



*equates to 2.2 ha of land use change



Protecting wildlife habitat

By protecting and restoring wetlands, forests, saltmarsh and coastal margins, we can help wildlife to thrive. Pollination, water filtration, plentiful kaimoana (seafood) and pest suppression are just some of the benefits that healthy habitats and native wildlife populations can provide. Number of areas of indigenous forest, estuary margin or wetland being actively managed by the community to protect biodiversity values



