

Cemetery Reserve

Site Number: SNA110
Ecological District: Rotorua Lakes

Source of Information: Wildland Consultants (2005c) - Geothermal Site No. 64

Digital Scale:1:2,000Data Source:RDAM 2006Regional Council:Bay of Plenty1998 Site Number:NHS No. 110

Current Tenure: Unprotected; Cemetery Reserve (site is not being managed for

protection of geothermal features and vegetation)

Site Area: 0.4 ha
Altitude Range: 290 m
Bioclimatic Zone: Lowland

Grid Reference: NZTM E1886007, N5772335

VEGETATION		LANDEODM	EXTENT
CODE	ТУРЕ	LANDFORM	EXTENT
1	Mingimingi-manuka scrub	Flat	0.3 ha
	A mingimingi and manuka-dominated area with occasional		
	kanuka shrubland and patches of Hypolepis distans, bracken,		
	Histiopteris incisa, blackberry, and Gleichenia microphylla.		
	Turutu also occurs in the understorey. Emergent		
	whauwhaupaku, black wattle, maritime pine, holly (<i>Ilex</i>		
	aquifolium), and Lombardy poplar (Populus nigra) are also		
	present.		
2	Arrow bamboo scrub	Flat	<0.1 ha
	Arrow bamboo to 3 m tall forms a dense scrub.		
3	Mudpool	Crater	<0.1 ha
	A small geothermal mudpool		
4	Nonvegetated raw-soilfield	Flat	<0.1 ha
	Bare ground, sinter, steaming soil and mudpool.		

Indigenous Flora: No threatened or at risk species as listed in de Lange *et al.* (2009) are

present at this site. Species typical of geothermal habitats are present, including manuka, mingimingi, kanuka, *Histiopteris incisa*, turutu, and *Gleichenia microphylla*. *Gonocarpus micranthus* and *Carex subdola* are

also present.

Fauna: Indigenous and exotic species typical of these habitats are present.

Notes on Overall Condition:

The site comprises a small geothermal area with some geothermal vegetation present. The site is in poor condition. It is relatively small and

pest plants are common.

Change Relative to Shaw and Beadel (1998):

The quality of the site has declined due to the continued spread of bamboo.

Threats/Modification/ Vulnerability: *Invasive Exotic Plants*: Exotic plants are scattered throughout the margins of the geothermal area, including arrow bamboo (1-5% cover), black wattle (1-5% cover), holly (<1% cover), maritime pine (<1% cover), gorse (1-5%

cover), and blackberry (1-5% cover).

Human Impacts: Unformed tracks occur in the geothermal vegetation.





Some graffiti and litter are present.

Risk Assessment: Pest plants: Risk to site - high; Timeframe - medium.

Significance Level: Local (Appendix 10 - Table 1 - Criteria 4, 6; Table 2 - Factor L1).

Significance This site is of local significance as it contains a small area of geothermal

Justification: vegetation, a nationally uncommon habitat type.

Fieldwork Required: No fieldwork is required.

Notes: Small area of geothermal vegetation isolated by clearance of surrounding

land. The site has potential for restoration.

This site was identified as a "Recommended Area for Protection" (RAP No. 110) in the natural area survey of Rotorua Lakes ED (Beadel *et al*.

1998).

References: Beadel *et al.* (1996b); Wildland Consultants (2005c).



