

Lake Ohakuri

Site Number: **SNA584 Ecological District:** Atiamuri

Source of Information: Based on aerial photographs.

Digital Scale: 1:5,000

Data Source: Bay of Plenty 0.25m Rural Aerial Photos (2015-17)

Regional Council: Waikato

1998 Site Number: Not identified as a site in Shaw and Beadel (1998)

Current Tenure: Unprotected 716.7 ha Site Area: 290-320 m Altitude Range: **Bioclimatic Zone:** Lowland

Grid Reference: NZTM E1873280, N5742361

| VEGETATION | | LANDFORM | EXTENT |
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| CODE | TYPE | LANDFORM | EATENI |
| 1 | Open water (hydro-lake). | Hydro-lake (open | 698.5 ha |
| | | water) | |
| 2 | Crack willow forest with local grey willow. | Wetland | 3.2 ha |
| 3 | Open water (wetland) | | 5.9 ha |
| 4 | Indigenous broadleaved species forest and scrub (with | Hillslope | 9.1 ha |
| | local exotic conifers) (islands) | _ | |

Indigenous Flora: Unknown

Fauna: Unknown. Likely to provide habitat for threatened and at risk bird species,

including grey duck ('Threatened - Nationally Critical' in Miskelly et al. 2008), Australasian bittern, black-billed gull (both 'Threatened - Nationally Endangered'), red-billed gull, Caspian tern, and New Zealand dabchick (all 'Threatened - Nationally Vulnerable'), and black shag and little shag (both 'At

Risk - Naturally Uncommon').

Notes on Overall Condition:

The lake and wetland provides a high quality habitat for indigenous fauna.

Change Relative to

1998:

Unknown. Probably little change.

Threats/Modification/

Vulnerability:

Unknown

Risk Assessment: Unknown

Significance Level: National (Appendix 5 - Table 1 - Criteria 3, 6, 8, 9, 11; Table 2 - Factors G, H).

Significance This site is of national significance as it is likely to provide habitat to threatened Justification:

and at risk fauna species. It is also part of the Waikato River system - a

nationally significant waterway.

Field Work Required: The Whirinaki Arm Islands have not been field checked and field work is

required to confirm boundaries and values of this part of the site. No field work

required to assess ecological values of the remainder of this site.

Notes: Waimahana Wetlands (Site number 594) and Whirinaki Arm Islands (Site

number 586) have been amalgamated with existing Lake Ohakuri (SNA 584).

References: None

