



Upper Mangapouri Gorge

Site Number: SNA657
Ecological District: Otanewainuku
Source of Information: Shaw and Beadel (1998)
Digital Scale: 1:2,000
Data Source: RDAM 2006
Regional Council: Bay of Plenty
1998 Site Number: NHS No. 657
Current Tenure: Unprotected
Site Area: 24.2 ha
Altitude Range: 460-520 m
Bioclimatic Zone: Lowland
Grid Reference: NZTM E1877348, N5788998

VEGETATION		LANDFORM	EXTENT
CODE	TYPE		
1	Tawa-kamahi-tawari forest with hinau and rewarewa, and a few emergent miro (hard beech occurs locally in the gorge)	Steep hillslopes	24.2 ha

Indigenous Flora: No threatened or at risk species (as listed in de Lange *et al.* 2009) have been recorded from this site. Toatoa occurs in this site.

Fauna: No threatened or at risk species (as listed in Hitchmough *et al.* 2007 or Miskelly *et al.* 2008) have been recorded from this site. Common forest bird species present.

Notes on Overall Condition: Forest on the accessible parts of this site has been modified by logging. A small part is secondary vegetation regenerating following clearance for farming.

Change Relative to Shaw and Beadel (1998): Unknown, probably little change.

Threats/Modification/Vulnerability: This area has no formal protection status; however it was a proposed Forest Accord Reserve that was not established. It is within the area managed by the Awahou-Mangorewa Hunting Club for pig hunting. A small part is contiguous with farmland and has been grazed in the past.

Risk Assessment: Unknown

Significance Level: Local (Appendix 4 - Table 1 - Criteria 1, 8, 9, 11; Table 2 - Factor L1).

Significance Justification: The site is of local significance as the forest is a representative example of its type for the ecological district.

Fieldwork Required: No fieldwork required to assess significance, however biodiversity and management information is lacking and fieldwork is required to update this.

Notes: Narrow strip of indigenous forest bordering Mangapouri Stream.

References: Shaw and Beadel (1998)