

Tēnā koutou e te whānau o Te Ātiawa,

You may have heard about the project that was recently carried out by NIWA which successfully mapped the entire seafloor of Tōtaranui and Kura Te Au:

<https://marlborough.maps.arcgis.com/apps/MapSeries/index.html?appid=155a89b0beb74035bd1c4c71f6f36646>

As a result of the mapping project, new details about the structure of the seafloor have become publicly available. What this means, is there is now an opportunity to name some of these recently discovered features.

The Te Ātiawa Trust is looking to lodge an application with the NZ Geographic Board Ngā Pou Taunaha o Aotearoa (NZGB) and is seeking interest from whānau who may like to contribute to this process that will ultimately be assessed and acted on by the Te Ātiawa Trust Board.

The NZGB will meet in March/April of next year to discuss proposals for new names.

If you wish to follow your own path, as a Te Ātiawa Iwi member and kaitiaki of the Rohe, you are entitled to make your own individual application.

What features can be named?

Many different types of underwater features can be named including canyons, hills, holes, reefs, sills, valleys, troughs, terraces and more.

What is Required?

- A complete 'Undersea name proposal form' and 'Required information checklist'
- Description of the underwater feature including its type and geographic location.
- Information on the history/origin/meaning of the name as well as any additional notes.

The process for naming underwater features and the required forms are available on the LINZ website at <https://www.linz.govt.nz/regulatory/place-names/propose-place-name/proposing-undersea-feature-name>

For more information or to get in touch with the Rohe Management Office about this process please contact Sylvie on 03 573 5170 / 0800 284 292 or email rc@teatiawatrust.co.nz

Nāku noa, nā



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