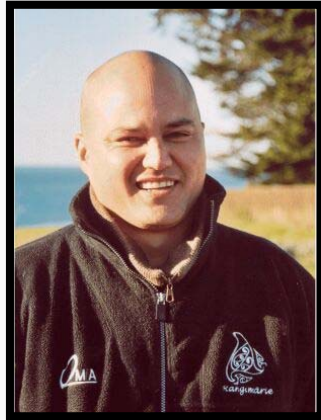




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Willie Te Aho

The Supreme Court decision in the Haronga v Waitangi Tribunal

Willie's seminar will discuss the Supreme Court decision in the Haronga v Waitangi Tribunal & others that have the same impact on the Treaty settlements environment as the Ngāti Apa case had on the foreshore and seabed. The Supreme Court has told the Waitangi Tribunal to consider orders to resume ownership of Crown Forest Lands. In 36 years, the Waitangi Tribunal has only used their resumption powers once. This was in respect to the Turangi Township. Now the Waitangi Tribunal has to consider the application by Mangatu Incorporation for the return of land that the Crown acquired for the purposes of forestry in 1961. A Waitangi Tribunal hearing will be held in the next 12 months. For Treaty claimants who have a Waitangi Tribunal report, the implications will be major.

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