In the High Court of New Zealand

Hamilton Registry

No: CIV-2017-419-82

Under the Marine and Coastal (Takutai Moana) Act 2011

In the matter of

Application for Customary Marine

Title and Protected Customary

Rights

Between

Loretta Maxine Poa, Te Kuiti, centre manager, on behalf of the West

Coast Iwi and Hapu ki Marokopa

Marae Applicant

And

Crown Law Office

Otorohanga District Council Waitomo District Counci Waikato Regional Council

Respondent

Originating Application

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And

To Crown Law Office, Ministry of Justice Otorohanga District Council Waitomo District Counci Waikato Regional Council

This document notifies you that -

 The applicant, Loretta Maxine Poa, will on the court for orders: apply to

- a. Recognising West Coast Iwi and Hapu ki Marokopa Marae's Customary Marine Title in Marokopa; and
- b. Recognising West Coast Iwi and Hapu ki Marokopa Marae's Protected Customary Rights in Marokopa.
- 2. The grounds on which each order is sought are as follows:
 - a. That West Coast Iwi and Hapu ki Marokopa Marae has maintained its customary use of the entirety of the coastline, foreshore and marine area within its iwi rohe since 1840. West Coast Iwi and Hapu ki Marokopa Marae has title to a large portion of the land abutting the coastline, through Māori Freehold Land and general title.
 - b. That West Coast Iwi and Hapu ki Marokopa Marae continue to customarily fish, harvest kaimoana, and utilise the foreshore and marine for mahinga kai ceremonial purposes around the Marokopa Mataitai based on tikanga;
 - c. That West Coast Iwi and Hapu ki Marokopa Marae claims that they should be entitled to have the title to the sandbanks within Marokopa within the rohe of West Coast Iwi and Hapu ki Marokopa Marae.
- 3. The application is made in reliance on sections 95, 98 and 100 of the Marine and Coastal (Takutai Moana) Act 2011.

I certify that this application complies with the rules.

01 April 2017

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