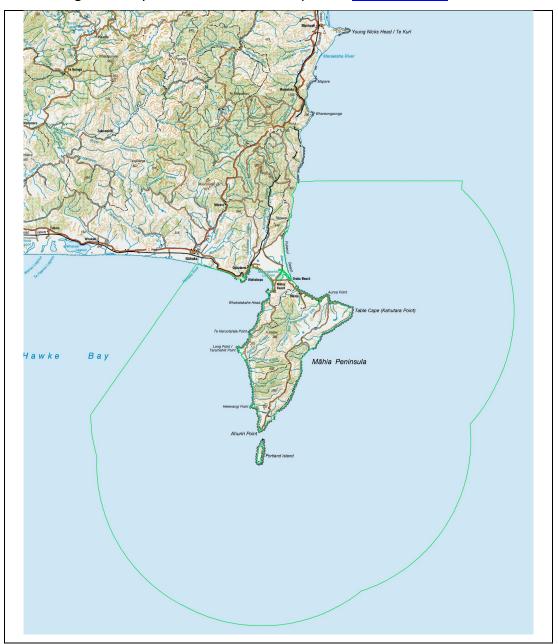
MACA Rongomaiwahine Hearing Overview

1. Hearing Area

Rongomaiwahine Iwi are a priority applicant under $\underline{\mathsf{s125}}$ of the Act. Ahead of the July 2024 case management conference, the applicant sought a High Court hearing for this application. This was allocated by Churchman J following the CMC¹ and scheduled in February 2025.

The hearing area is defined by Rongomaiwahine Iwi's application area centred on the Mahia Peninsula.

The hearing boundary is illustrated on the map from Korero Takutai below.



¹ Minute of Churchman J dated 31 July 2024 – 2024 CMCs

2. Dates and venue

The hearing will take place over two weeks starting 4 May 2026 at Gisborne High Court.

3. Participants

Application CIV	Applicant Group	Lead Counsel
CIV-2011-485-794	Rongomaiwahine Iwi	C M Hockly
CIV-2017-485-230	Ngāti Kurupakiaka	M K Mahuika
Interested Parties	Kahukura Whānau (MAC-01-09-002)	
	Attorney-General	G L Melvin, Y Moinfar-Yong, D Ward
	Gisborne District Council	P Beverley
	Hawke's Bay Regional Council	M Conway
	Landowners Coalition Incorporated	B E Morten
	Seafood Industry Representatives	B A Scott

(Further parties may join)

4. Indicative Hearing Timetable²

Item	Due dates
Applicants file their evidence (16 weeks before hearing)	12 January 2026
Interested parties, other than the Attorney-General, file their evidence (10 weeks before hearing)	20 February 2026
Attorney-General files evidence (8 weeks before hearing)	6 March 2026
Applicants' evidence in reply to be filed (6 weeks before hearing)	20 March 2026
Close of pleadings date (6 weeks before hearing)	20 March 2026
Applicants' file opening submissions, statement of agreed facts, and bundles of authorities (4 weeks before hearing)	2 April 2026
Interested parties' file submissions and bundles of authorities (2 weeks before hearing)	17 April 2026
Attorney-General files submissions and bundles of authorities (1 week before hearing)	24 April 2026
Stage 1 Hearing Begins	4 May 2025

² Proposed by memorandum of counsel for Rongomaiwahine dated 1 July 2024, not yet ordered by Court.