Briefing Note: Launch of Te Kawa Matakura

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Purpose of Report

The purpose of this briefing is for you to:

- Note the proposal to launch Te Kawa Matakura.
- Agree that this briefing will be proactively released.

Summary

- We propose organising a specific event in Te Tai Tokerau on 24 April to launch Te Kawa Matakura, inviting iwi leaders, mātanga Māori, te reo Māori advocates, kura leaders and students.
- Te Kawa Matakura will provide an opportunity for rangatahi to deepen their knowledge and experience of te ao Māori and grow their leadership potential.

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Background

1. To enable the design of Te Kawa Matakura to begin, we propose organising a specific event on 24 April at Te Puna o te Mātauranga Marae, Northtec, Raumanga Valley Road, Whāngarei to launch the kaupapa, inviting iwi leaders, mātanga Māori, te reo Māori advocates, kura leaders and students.

2. The event will include an opening address from you to launch Te Kawa Matakura and workshop sessions to inform and help design the key concepts and components of the implementation.

3. Te Kawa Matakura will provide an opportunity for rangatahi to deepen their knowledge and experience of te ao Māori and grow their leadership potential.

Communications

4. s 9(2)(f)(iv)

5. Key messages

   a. Te Kawa Matakura providing interested and capable rangatahi with the opportunity to deepen their understanding of te ao Māori and mātauranga Māori enabling them to become future role models of Māori excellence, strong humble leaders for their iwi, and ambassadors for Aotearoa.

   b. Te Kawa Matakura represents the Government’s intention to strengthen its commitment to Te Tiriti o Waitangi, supporting te reo Māori revitalisation efforts and productive partnerships.

   c. Rangatahi Māori will be able to develop the skills, knowledge and capabilities to participate confidently in te ao Māori, Aotearoa New Zealand society and as global citizens.

   d. By participating in Te Kawa Matakura rangatahi Māori will enjoy and achieve education success as Māori through authentic Māori learning experiences.

   e. Te Kawa Matakura will provide an opportunity for rangatahi to become future role models of Māori excellence, strong humble leaders for their iwi, and ambassadors for Aotearoa. The programme will be available for 15-25 year olds who display a high level of Māori language proficiency and leadership skills, and will be based on traditional wānanga. It is expected that graduates of Te Kawa Matakura will receive a recognised qualification (i.e. the qualification).

Next Steps

6. We will work with your office and the Te Kawa Matakura Te Tai Tokerau design team on the organisation of the launch.
Proactive Release

7. We recommend that this briefing is proactively released as per your expectation that information be released as soon as possible. Any information which may need to be withheld will be done so in line with the provisions of the Official Information Act 1982.

Annex

Annex 1: s 9(2)(I)(iv)