



Lake Otamatearoa and Parkinsons Lake restoration



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This project involves the protection and plantings for Lake Otamatearoa and Lake Parkinson in the lower end of the catchment.

Lake Otamatearoa, the highest quality shallow lake in the Waikato District, will be ring-fenced by the landowner with a five wire electric fence to exclude livestock, and help establish native wetland and coastal forest vegetation (12,000 native plants) along with maintenance and weed control. At Parkinson's Lake, a popular lake for picnicking and trout fishing, the Muir's section will be upgraded to a 7 wire and batten fence (the rest of the lake has previously been fenced by Gordon Mackay), and native wetland and coastal forest will be re-established (8,500 native plants) along with maintenance and weed control. Foremost, this work will prevent livestock from effecting lake water quality and native vegetation, and will increase the overall biodiversity of the lakes and wider area. WRA 15-007.

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