



Maori Purposes Act 1973

1973

- Citation:** No 106
Date of Assent: 23 November, 1973
Commencement: Date of Assent
- Repeal:** Still in Force
Amendments: –
Type of Legislation: Public
Subject: Maori Land Court: Structures & Jurisdiction
Forestry
- Relevant Sections:** s23: Grants the MLCt the jurisdiction to return to the donors and their descendants, or trustees for them, the Owhaoko Gift Blocks, being land donated to the Crown by the Maori owners during WWI for the settlement of discharged Maori soldiers but not used for this purpose and now set apart as State Forest lands:
- Owhaoko A East, Block XVI, Waitotaka SD and Blocks XIII and XIV Taharua SD
 - Owhaoko A1B, Blocks XIII and XIV, Taharua SD
 - Owhaoko A East, Block IV, Mangamaire SD and Blocks I and II Horotea SD.
 - Owhaoko B East, Blocks IV, VII and VIII, Mangamaire SD
 - Part Owhaoko D1, Blocks I and V, Horotea SD
 - Part Owhaoko D7, Blocks VII, VIII, XI and XIII, Mangamaire SD and Blocks V, VI, IX and X, Horotea SD.
- Commentary:** Rata said that the return of the Owhaoko Blocks was part of the new Labour Government's principle that gifted land not being used for the intended purposes will be returned. At this time the land was being used by the Forest Service who wanted it to remain Crown land but Rata says that the Forest Service can now negotiate with the proper owners.
- Cross Reference:** NZPD vol 385 (1973) 3573 - 3581
NZPD vol 388 (1973) 5180 - 5182.