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19 August 2022

Hi there Taupo Swamp supporters

Kia ora!

We're very excited to offer you an opportunity to join in our planting mahi. Details in the attached newsletter

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August 2022 Newsletter

Together with our good friends from Downer Group and Conservation Volunteers New Zealand, we're hosting a native planting day at Taupo Swamp, Plimmerton industrial area: and with 500 native trees to get in the ground, you're invited to come and dig in.

We will be planting close to Taupo Stream in the vicinity of the GWRC weir that is on the stream. You will need sturdy footwear for the ups and downs of the site! We can supply some gear like – you may wish to bring a favourite spade though

Saturday 27 August, 9am – 12.30 Freshfields Place, Plimmerton.

Bring your family or work crew and help restore a slice of Plimmerton for generations to come! Of course, no planting event is complete without a BBQ lunch.

Please make sure you let me know to secure your spot. More details about the day will be sent prior to the event.

- The access to the planting site is between numbers 7 & 9 Freshfields Place. Here is the google map link: <u>9 Freshfields Place Google Maps</u>. I suggest that you park in Freshfields Place.
- Most of the funding for buying these plants has come from the new PCC Riparian planting scheme. To quote their press release" Porirua City Council, in partnership with Ngāti Toa and Sustainable Coastlines, is implementing a streamside planting and management project

throughout the Porirua district. The 20-year project aims to plant more than 6 million plants on the banks of the 588km of streams that run into the harbour, to help restore the mauri of Te Awarua-o-Porirua and its waterways."

- One of our fabulous committee, Robyn Smith, is standing as the Green Party local candidate for Greater Wellington Regional Council. Come along and have a chat with Robyn while planting. She is an outstanding candidate in these time of biodiversity losses around Wellington region.
- Robyn will be having a campaign fundraiser with the showing of the excellent documentary about Aotearoa wetlands losses. There is a section featuring Taupo Swamp and Robyn. It's a great movie. Robyn Smith's Film Night Fundraiser | Facebook
- Thanks very much to all have turned out for the working bees this year. The team has got through a massive amount of weed control so our plantings are looking really great.