

Spa Thermal Park and Riverbank Recreational and Scenic Reserve

Management Plan 2000

This document has been prepared in
consultation with the community pursuant
to the provisions of the Reserves Act 1977

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Taupo District Council



EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

The Spa Thermal Park and Riverbank Recreational and Scenic Reserve are located adjacent to the Waikato River on the edge of the Taupo urban area.

This plan covers two reserves and as such is a review of the plan for Spa Thermal Park but a new one for Riverbank Recreational and Scenic Reserve.

It takes into account the significance of the reserves in the context of the wider area. It identifies the uniqueness of the site as a relatively natural site for day use and easy access to the Waikato River.

A number of policies and related implementation statements provide for appropriate day use as well as events or commercial activities which do not detract from the primary purpose of the reserve.

A concept plan is included to give a broad indication of the way these activities can be permitted through good design and frequent monitoring.



PREFACE

The primary purpose of this Management Plan is to outline the management and development requirements of the Spa Thermal Park and the Riverbank Recreational and Scenic Reserve.

It has been prepared after consultation with the community, users of the reserves and other relevant organisations. It is therefore a statement of intent by the Council and a reflection of the expectations of the community.

The expected life of this plan is five years at which time a review will be undertaken. The current plan will remain effective until a reviewed plan is approved.

The Management Plan provides discussion about the wider area also known as the Upper Waikato River Valley and how the Spa Thermal Park and the Riverbank Recreational and Scenic Reserve fits in with it and other recreation resources in the District.

The Waikato River bed itself and the water are not included in the plans as they are respectively the responsibility of the Tuwharetoa Maori Trust Board and Environment Waikato.



GUIDE TO THE SPA THERMAL PARK AND
RIVERBANK RECREATIONAL AND SCENIC RESERVE MANAGEMENT PLAN 2000

This Management Plan is divided into seven sections plus appendices

Part A: Terms of Reference

This section provides an understanding of legislative controls governing this management plan.

Part B: Site Evaluation

This section evaluates aspects of the reserves

Part C: Management Considerations

A brief account of management considerations in relation to the reserves

Part D: Reserve Management

This section describes in detail the policies governing the management of the reserves.

Part E: Concept Plan

A proposal for the reserves future development

Part F: Action Programme

A list of activities to be undertaken in order to fulfil the goals and objectives of this Management Plan.

Part G: Plan Review

An acknowledgement that the plan should be reviewed in five years so that the public may again have the opportunity to put forward ideas and aspirations for the future development of the reserves

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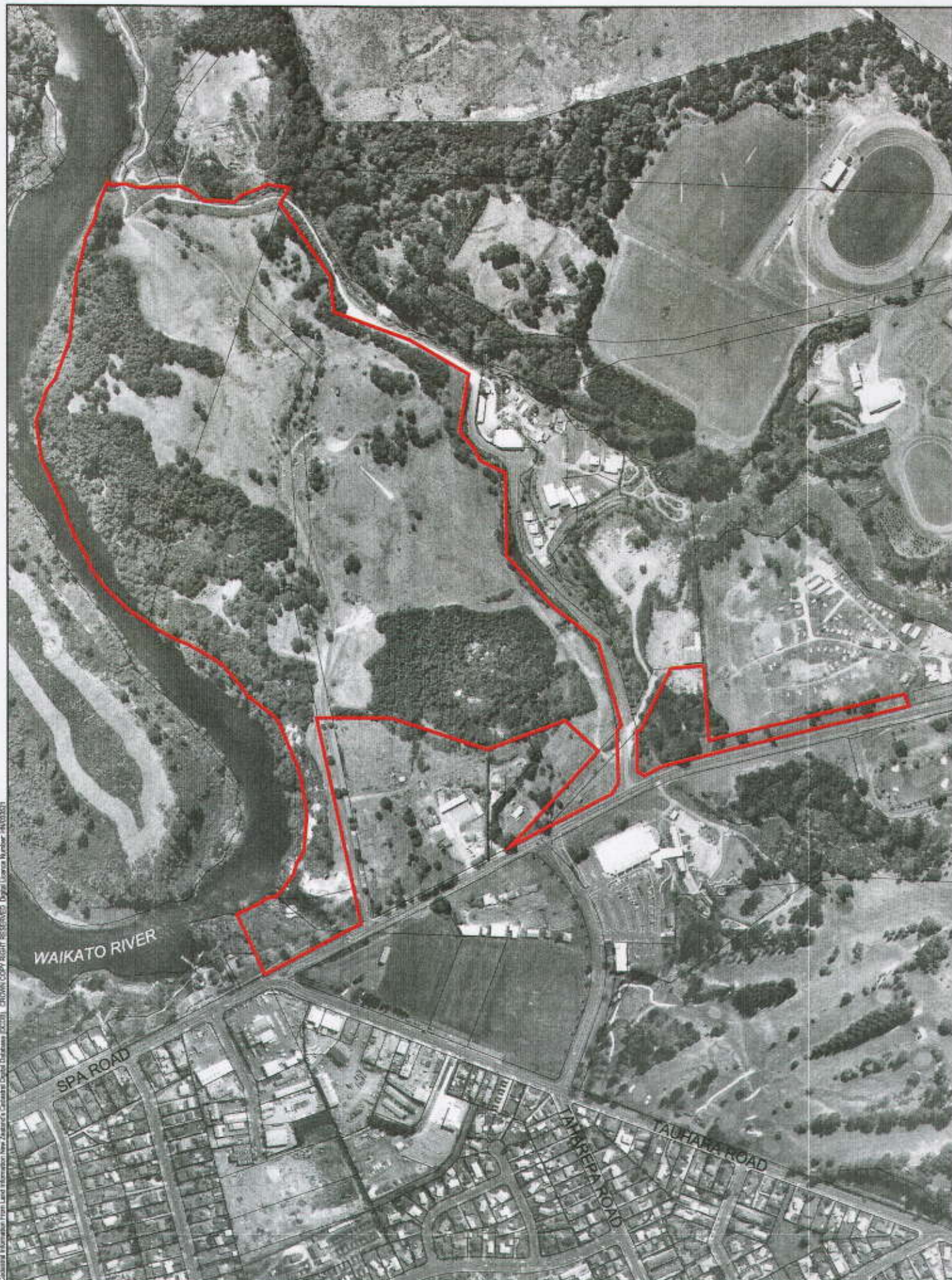
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