

1 Part 1 – Description of Reserves

1.1 Location

The Ōpōtiki Coastal Reserves are located along the Eastern Bay of Plenty coastline from the coastal strip around the eastern margins of the Ōhiwa Harbour to Waihou Bay. The reserve locations extend some 160 kilometres along the coast.

1.2 Access

All the reserves are accessed via the local road network or from State Highway 2 (SH2) or State Highway 35 (SH35). SH2 is the main route that connects Ōpōtiki to the Whakatane District. SH35 is the coastal route that links the Ōpōtiki Township to the Gisborne District via the East Cape. Due to the linear nature of the reserves along the coastline, access directly onto the beach via the reserves or onto the reserves via the beach is relatively easy.

1.3 Controlling Authority

The Ōpōtiki District Council was appointed to control and manage the reserve in through vesting of crown land (these include most of the reserves west of Opape i.e. the 'confiscation line) and as a result of subdivision (usual reserve contribution policy, either land or cash in lieu) and requirements for esplanade reserves. Additional information pertaining to vesting or appointment for each reserve title will be researched and made available for public use.

1.4 Legal Description of Reserves

The following subsection provides the following information relating to each reserve:

- The legal description (Parcel ID) and address of each reserve.
- The reserve classification.
- A description of each reserve.
- Known archaeological information.
- Concept and site plans