

Ōpōtiki Harbour Development – in it together

The Government is right behind our redevelopment of the Ōpōtiki Harbour. The revitalisation project focuses on building a harbour entrance that's navigable year-round to allow marine produce to be processed locally, and to unlock wider potential for other marine industries.

The redevelopment will bring in \$41-55 million per year in additional wealth and generate up to 220 new, sustainable, long term and skilled jobs.

The Bay of Plenty Regional Council has committed \$20 million, and the Government is providing up to \$3 million over the next two years to do the detailed planning that's needed for the tender process. Business partners are investing in a marine farm, processing facilities and wharves.

We are working to pull all the puzzle pieces together to allow the Government to commit a further \$26 million to the Ōpōtiki Harbour in 2017/18.



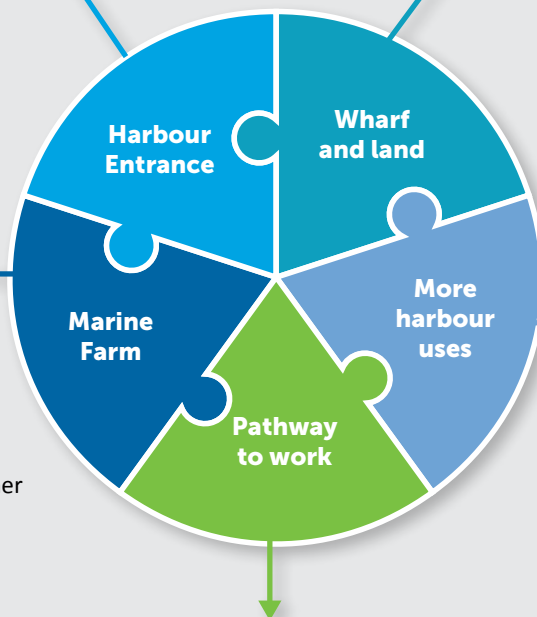
> Mussel lines off the coast of Opotiki

Harbour Entrance

- > Geotechnical investigations
- > Confirm reference design, based on geotechnical findings
- > Tender harbour design
- > Confirm harbour costings
- > Prepare tender documents for construction contract

Marine Farm

- > Finalise business case
- > Invest in production and environmental monitoring
- > Export first mussel products
- > Increase capacity
- > Domestic spat sales
- > Investigate development of other high value species
- > Develop prospectus to attract investment
- > Plan and progress processing plant



Wharf and land

- > Council structure plan
- > Wharf alternative land assessment
- > Notify proposed land change
- > Infrastructure plan

More harbour uses

- > Explore further marine farm species
- > Explore new high-value species

Pathway to work

- > Establish training pipelines
- > Establish pathways to work for unemployed
- > Complete workforce plan
- > Develop strategy with iwi / Māori

The vision for Ōpōtiki Harbour

...a place where locals and visitors eat at cafes overlooking the harbour, a research boat docks and another boat leaves with international visitors on a fishing charter. The town is full of jobs, the harbour is full of boats of all sizes and the wharf is busy with industry and sightseers...



What happens next?



Working in partnership

The Ōpōtiki Harbour Development project has been 15 years in the making, and commercial businesses are now working with local and central government to get the project over the line.

On the team are the Treasury, the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment, the Ministry for Primary Industries, the Ōpōtiki District Council, the Bay of Plenty Regional Council, Whakatohea Māori Trust Board, Eastern Sea Farms Ltd, Whakatohea Mussels (Opotiki) Ltd, and local supporters such as Toi-EDA and Baytrust.