



MAY 2025 MONTHLY MEETING

Tuesday 13th May @ 7.30 p.m.

PN Central Library, Mezzanine Floor (Main entrance) **Note new location******

(will be streamed via zoom – see below for link)

Talk: The ecology of Te Ahu a Turanga: Manawatu-Tararua Highway
Speakers: **Caitlin Lavery** | Site Ecologist, Te Ahu a Turanga Alliance



Photos taken by: Caitlin Lavery | Site Ecologist, Te Ahu a Turanga Alliance

The Te Ahu a Turanga project stretches 11.5 km between Ashhurst and Woodville and after 5 years of dedicated work the road is soon to be open.

Alongside the impressive new infrastructure is a plethora of positive ecological outcomes including; planting over 1 million native plants, protection of QEII forests, avoidance and monitoring of At-Risk species, creation of offset sites, bush retirement, years of pest control to protect native species and the protection of waterways across the project scope. Due to the support and dedication of project iwi partners, construction and environmental teams, Te Ahu a Turanga has been able to leave the environment of the project in a better state than what is was found in and create positive ecological benefits for years to come.

This talk explains how vulnerable environments and species were protected over the years of the project and what this means for the area going forward.

Zoom Link: <https://forestandbird-org-nz.zoom.us/j/89985387977?pwd=HgmnXlgW64KAYGVGdJqyYVDCa8NdNA.1>

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