Coast Care Update for the Pukehina Community January 2023

Thanks for being in touch and sending through photos of the damage to the dunes after Cyclone Hale.

This is an update for you following a visit to the beach by our Coast experts, and subsequent monitoring over the past two weeks.

Cyclone Hale brought some sizey swell to the coast on the 10th Jan and there was a range of damage, as well as some success stories from the past push ups and reshape mahi/work.

We had Jim Dahm our Coast expert out at the beach on the 19th Jan, joined by Chris Ward from Coast Care, representatives from WBOPDC, BOPDC and three members of our committee.

Jim assessed the areas that were the hardest hit and the places following contact from you, including:

- The area from 213 217 and around 283
- The area from 143-171
- The area from 95-117
- One new spot around 433
- Other sections of the beach to check the past re-shape work e.g. area around north of Midway 341

It was noted that the push up has been lost in some areas, (which was what the push up was designed to do), but the plants and reshape works have been retained so this is a very positive outcome here.

The planting has done so well with large amounts of runners and with the rain over summer so looking very lush. The Push up has mostly gone from 199-229 and in the area to north of Midway park. A lot of dune has been lost in the 213 area.

Actions from here:

- 1. Monitor the beach and the width of the high tide beach
 - a. Over the past two weeks we have been montirong the beach and waiting for it to recover before we can arrange the works required. The beach needs to have adequate width at high tide and was showing signs of this on Thurs/Fri with the settled weather we had last week.
- 2. Contact the company who completes the machinery work, and Ngati Whakahemo
 - a. We have done this and they are on standby
- Jim to complete profile work for the sections that will 1) require reshape & repair work, and 2) those that need another push up (to either help protect the reshape work from 2022, or repair some damage), and contact property owners.
 - a. This work is underway
- 4. Sue (WBOPDC Reserves Officer) to arrange for beach access ways to be repaired the best they can at present, or close off those that are too steep
 - a. Underway

- 5. Chris to work with Esther on plant numbers
 - a. There is a limited supply this year and most have been allocated to people wishing to be proactive and plant, rather than for repair planting.
 - b. We need to work with Chris and the nursery on this in the coming years as we may need to secure a certain number each year for storm damage and replacement.
 - c. Some properties will need to pay for additional plants this year but we will know more about this soon.

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Kia ora koutou 🌿

Cyclone Hale certainly brought some big waves overnight with up to 9.3m (amended) recorded off A bouy!

We'd like to know how the dunes & push up works have faired so if you're on the beach today could you please take a photo & email or message it to us. House or beach access number included to pukehina.bra@gmail.com

☆ These photos from around 200's have lost the push up dune but the main dune & plants have been retained so a plus here (thou it may not look like it!)







Kevin's and Lorna's planting back into their section

Unfortunately this new Cyclone has put a damper on plans to get moving so we will all be awaiting the outcome of the next few days and hope that the same areas don't suffer any further damage. Will be back in touch next week,

Stay safe and if you have any questions regarding this update, or would like to join our Coast Care subcommittee, please email PRRA at <u>pukehinabra@gmail.com</u>

We'd love some more hands on deck.

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