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Te Whakakitenga o Waikato  
Attention: Donna Flavell (by email)

Tēnā koe Donna

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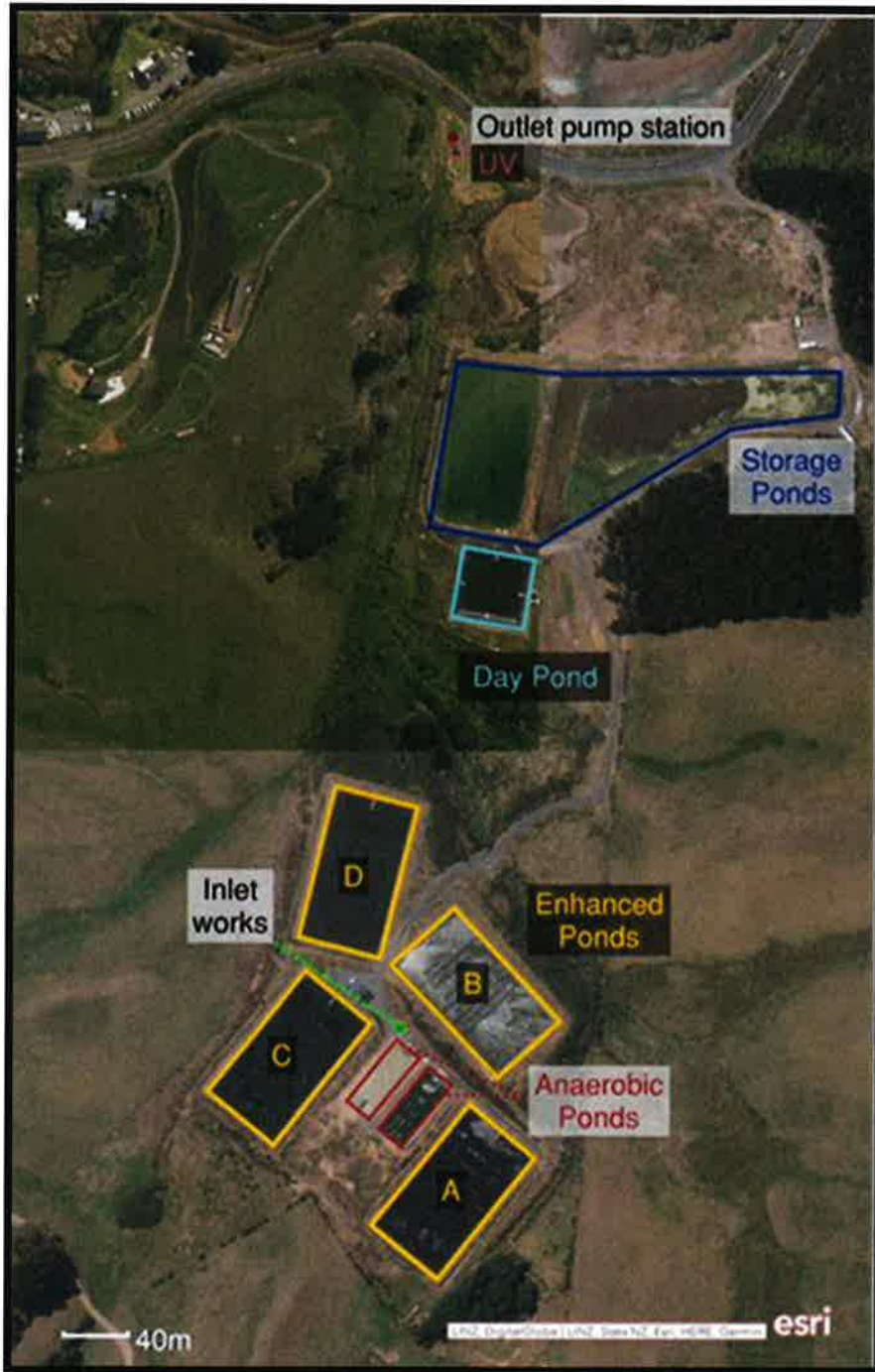


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Ngāti Whakamarurangi/Tainui (Ngāti Koata, Ngāti Motemote, Ngāti Tahinga)  
Attention: Heather Thomson (by email)

Tēnā koe Heather

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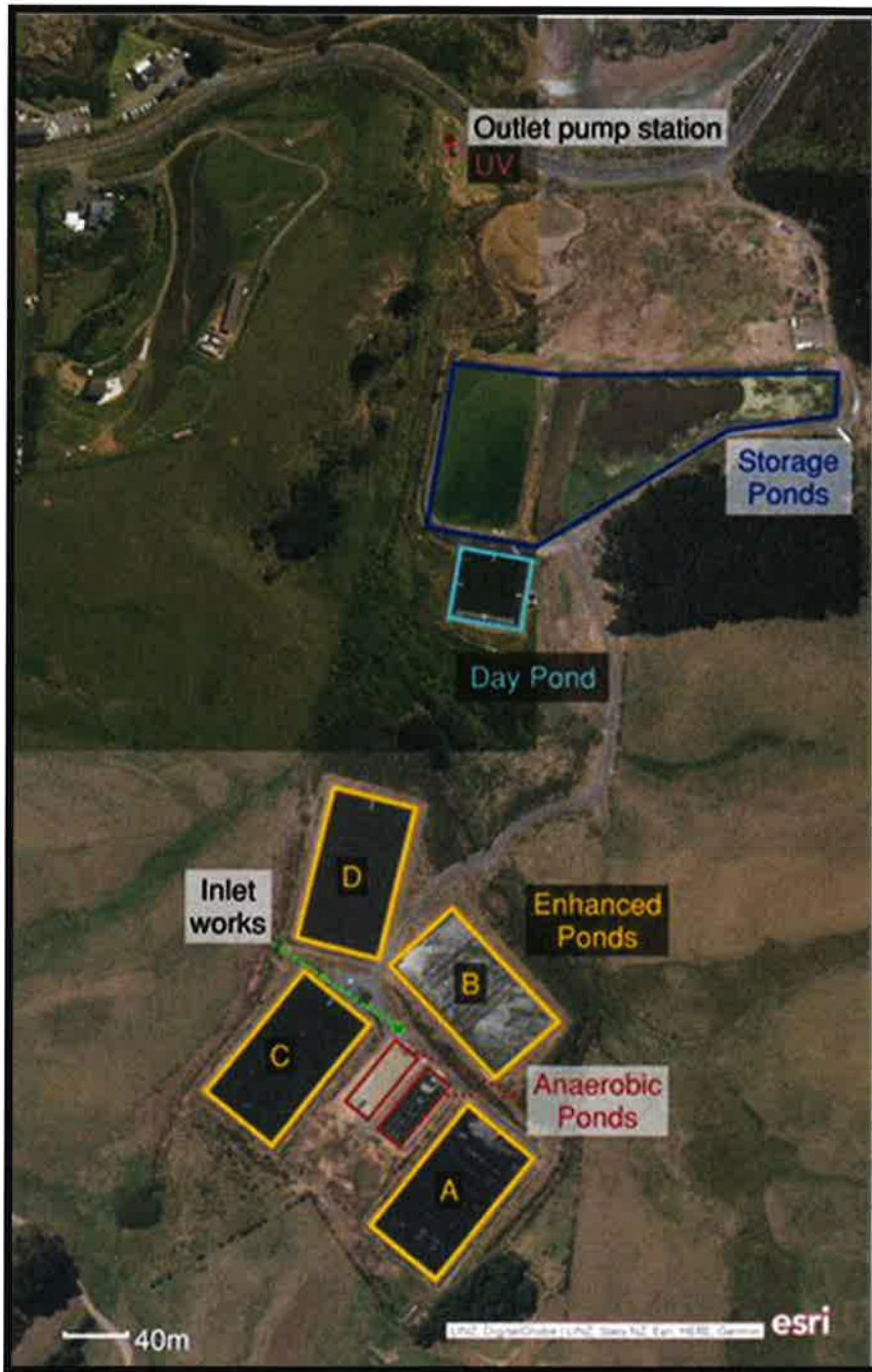


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Kāwhia Tangata, Aotea Whenua, Whaingaroa Moana  
Attention: Glenn Tootill (by email)

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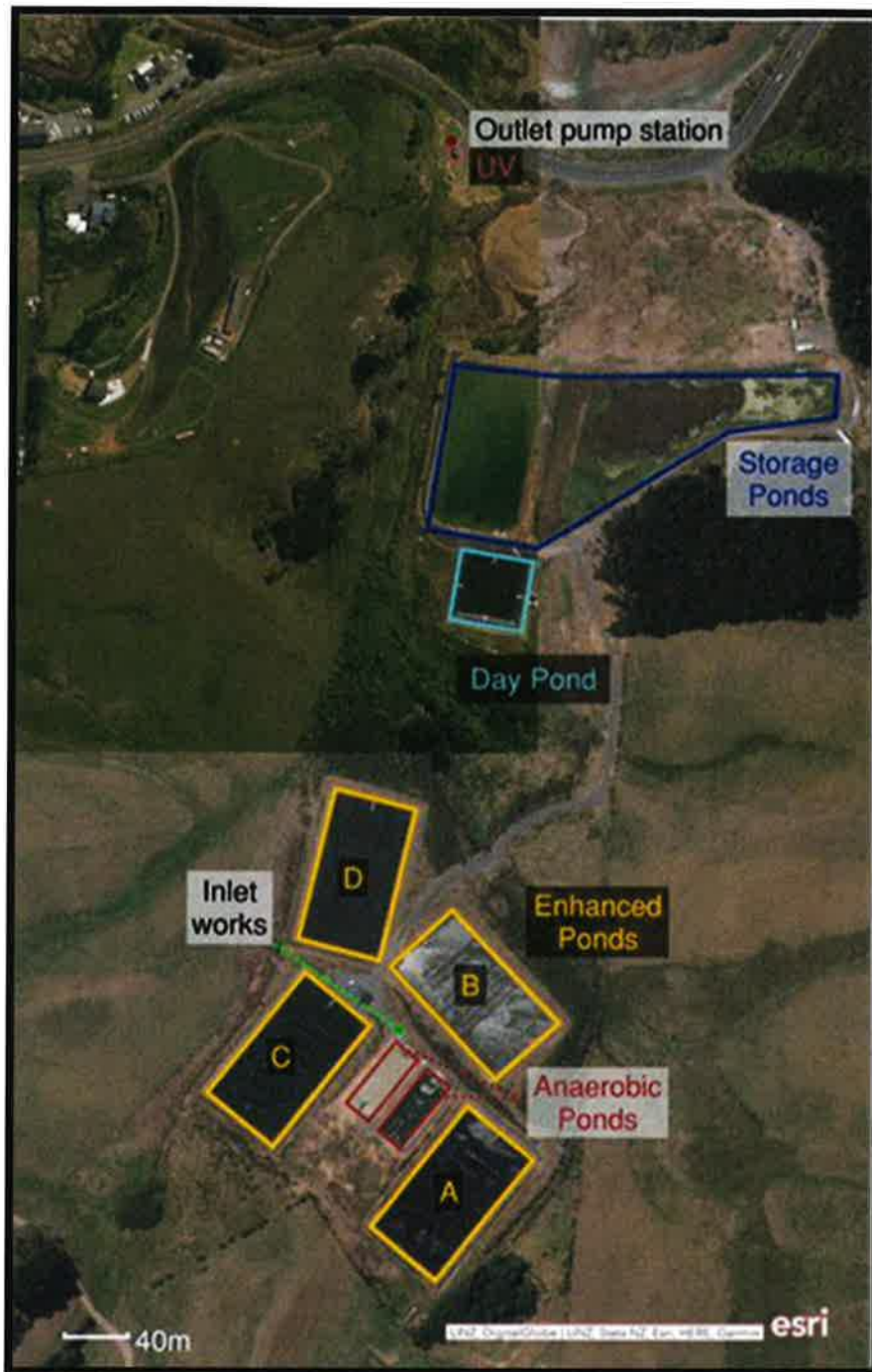


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Ngāti Māhanga - Ngāa Uri o Maahanga Trust Board  
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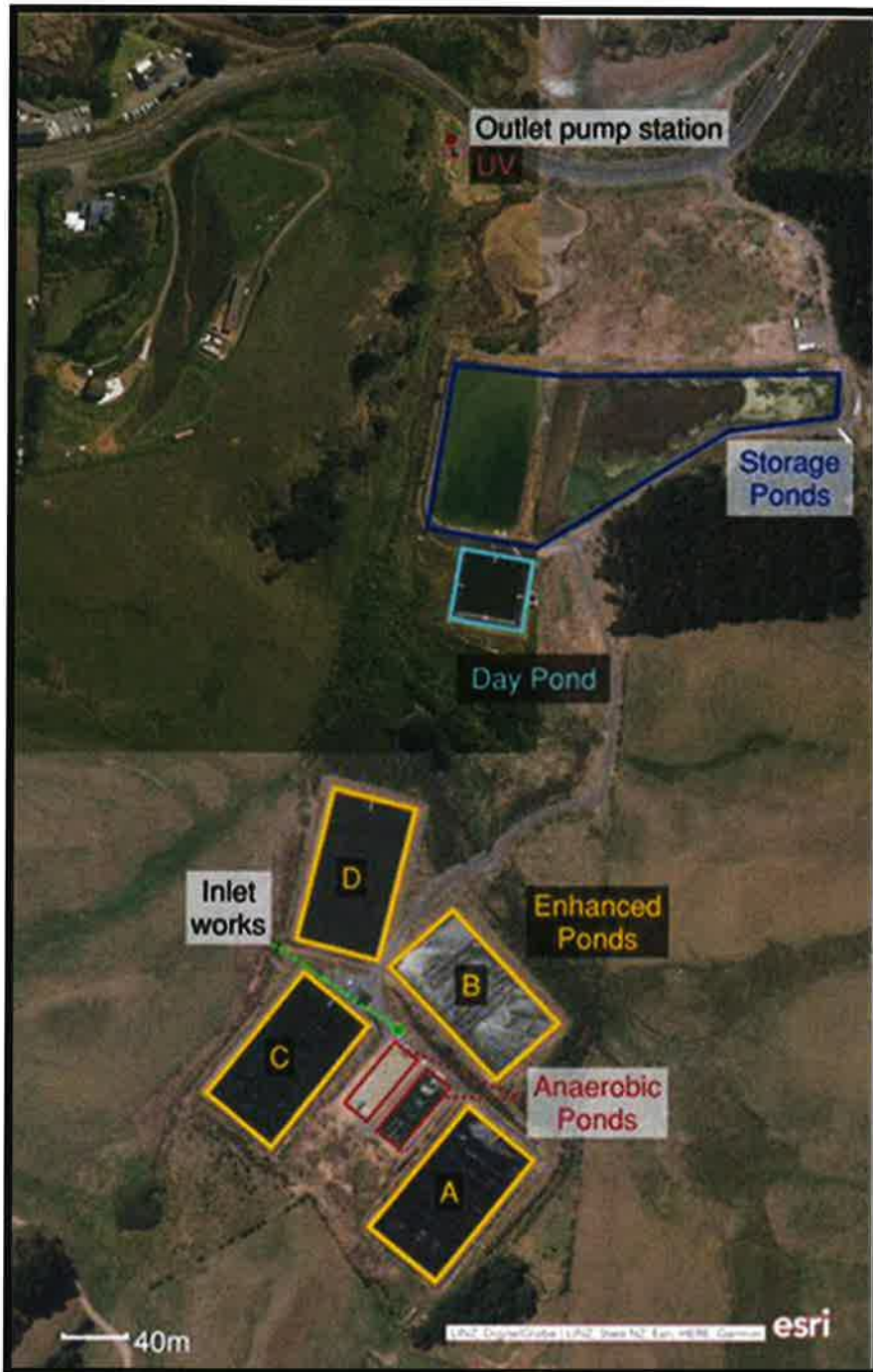


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