

Appeals Nos. 66, 67, and 69.—By Te Wharau Tapuae and others, Taihakoia Poniwahio and others, and Te Reweti Ruta and others respectively.

These three appeals make objection to certain persons in the order, thirty-two in all, and ask that their names be struck out of the order. The names of the thirty-two persons so objected to are set out in the list attached to the file showing the numbers standing opposite their several names respectively in the order.

The appellants contend that these thirty-two persons are not descendants of the ancestor owning the land.

This case was allowed to remain open by this Commission from the 21st January to the 28th March, 1907, in order to afford opportunity for those objected to to appear before us and show cause why their names should not be struck out of the order as asked. No one, however, appeared to object, nor was any objection whatever advanced before us against the contention of the appellants. We are of opinion that their contention is justified, and that the names of the thirty-two persons objected to by them should be struck out of the order for this block, and we recommend accordingly.

The five persons whose names are hereunder set out are the persons who have been selected by the owners of the land from amongst their number and proposed by them as the members for the Hapu Committee for this block, and agreed to by all the owners present before this Commission sitting at Whakatane on the 8th day of March, 1907:—

1. Te Wharekiri Paparatu.
2. Akuhata te Hiko.
3. Mohomoho Waretini.

4. Te Tawhi Poniwahio.
5. Te Wharau Tapuae.

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TE PURENGA BLOCK.

Appeals Nos. 70 and 72.—By Te Whenuanui and others and Te Whaiti Paora and others respectively.

These two appeals were withdrawn at request of the appellants, there being no objectors. We recommend that they be dismissed accordingly.

Appeals Nos. 71 and 73.—By Mata Tako and others and Mehaka Tokopounamu and others respectively, asking for the inclusion of six new names in the order.

To this request no objection has been made. We have therefore prepared and attached to the file of papers for this block a list containing their six names with individual shares as shown, and therein numbered them respectively from 298 to 303, inclusive, for inclusion in the original order.

These two appeals further ask for increase of the shares of forty-six persons in the original order, the said increases having been arranged amongst the owners outside and subsequently submitted by them to this Commission for approval.

No objection has been made to the increases so asked. We have therefore added the said forty-six names and increased shares to the list attached to the file, showing the numbers appearing against each individual name in the order respectively.

We recommend that the six new names be added to the order with shares as shown, and that the shares of the forty-six persons in the original order be increased to the individual amounts set out opposite the name of each of them respectively in the manuscript list attached to the file.

The seven persons whose names are hereunder set out are the persons who have been selected by the owners of the land from amongst their number and proposed by them as the members for the Hapu Committee for this block, and agreed to by all the owners present before this Commission sitting at Whakatane on the 8th day of March, 1907:—

1. Hori Aterea.
2. Mehaka Ruka.
3. Timi Tamehana.
4. Mika Wikiriwhi.

5. Tamehana te Puia.
6. Taihakoia Poniwahio.
7. Takurua Tamarau.

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TAUWHARE BLOCK.

Appeal No. 74.—By Taihakoia Poniwahio and others. This is the only appeal regarding this block. It asks for the inclusion of one person only, whose name was omitted from the original order—i.e., Hami Taupo, m.—for an interest in twenty shares.

There being no objectors, we have added a list containing the name of Hami Taupo, m., twenty shares, opposite the number 200, to the file of papers for the Tauwhare Block, and we recommend that the said name and shares be added to the order accordingly.

The seven persons whose names are hereunder set out are the persons who have been selected by the owners of the land from amongst their number and proposed by them as the members for the Hapu Committee for this block, and agreed to by all the owners present before this Commission sitting at Whakatane on the 8th day of March, 1907:—

1. Kiekie Mikaere.
2. Kanuwehi te Waara.
3. Te Tawhi Poniwahio.
4. Noho te Wharau.

5. Hami Taupo.
6. Taihakoia Poniwahio.
7. Mika te Tawhao.

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