

WORK PLAN 2024-2026

OUR VISION: *Tikapa Moana, Te Moananui-ā-Toi, the Hauraki Gulf Marine Park is celebrated and treasured, is thriving with fish, shellfish and kaimoana, has a rich biodiversity, supports a sense of place, connection and identity, and a vibrant local economy*

OUR STRATEGIC ISSUES

		Integrated management	Healthy environments	Marine ecosystems
		 <p>Integrated management</p> <p><i>Improve integrated management through collaborative planning, informed decision-making, and credible action</i></p>	 <p>Healthy environments</p> <p><i>Ensure healthy environments by improving water quality and managing land use practices that impact the Gulf</i></p>	 <p>Marine ecosystems</p> <p><i>Improve marine ecosystems through recognising critical marine values and advocating for their protection and restoration</i></p>
OUR BIG GOALS	A healthy catchment	<p>Advocate for a catchment-wide, ki uta ki tai approach</p> <p>Set up a taskforce to reduce land-based impacts, including sediment runoff</p>	<p>Riparian planting of all waterways in the catchment</p> <p>Stem flows of sediment, microplastic, nutrients, sewage, pollution.</p> <p>Support for pest control and forest health</p>	<p>End marine dumping</p> <p>Use all available tools: legislation, regulation, mātauranga Māori.</p>
	At least 30% marine protection	<p>Establish a process for achieving 30% marine protection by 2030</p>		<p>Pass the Hauraki Gulf / Tikapa Moana Marine Protection Bill</p> <p>Implementation of Revitalising the Gulf</p>
	A restored seafloor	<p>Treat marine biosecurity as seriously as land biosecurity</p> <p>Ensure consistent implementation of Clean Hull Plan</p> <p>Enable marine restoration through regulatory frameworks</p> <p>Investigate the wreck of the RMS Niagara and deal with any risks identified</p>	<p>Address heavily degraded water bodies like the Waitematā and Firth of Thames</p>	<p>Reduce, remove and eradicate Caulerpa</p> <p>Remove fishing methods that damage the seafloor</p> <p>Address kina barrens, including achieving 50% biomass targets for predators of kina</p> <p>Restore 1000sqkm of shellfish beds and reefs</p> <p>Mitigate climate change through kelp forest restoration and blue carbon pilots</p>
ADDITIONAL WORK AREAS		<p>Accountability and visibility of Forum in Member institutions, and specific asks of Members</p> <p>Pursue options to empower the Co-Chairs and Executive Officer for a more impactful Forum</p> <p>Enhance community engagement and funding</p> <p>Maintain bi-partisan government relations approach</p> <p>Establish 'Integrated management pilot areas' – for Waikato and Auckland</p> <p>Enhance coordination and boost investment in marine environmental monitoring</p>	<p>Develop resilient wastewater infrastructure</p> <p>Capture all available data and knowledge for State of the Gulf reports</p>	<p>Pursue ecosystem-based fisheries management</p> <p>Ensure localised abundance of kaimoana</p> <p>Support Ahu Moana areas</p> <p>Partner on specific challenges – e.g. seabird-smart fishing; educating youth; accessibility for volunteer groups</p> <p>Promote citizen-science initiatives</p> <p>Develop new funding sources from HGMP activities to support ecosystem regeneration</p>