

WAI ORA

A Wetland Centre for
NEW ZEALAND



Photo: K. Denyer



The Proposal

To build and operate a national visitor centre (located in the Waikato) where locals, schools, landowners and tourists can learn about our lakes, swamps, bogs and estuaries.

- Indoor and outdoor exhibits.
- Entertaining and educational wetland-themed activities.
- Constructed gardens showcasing New Zealand wetlands types.
- Eco-friendly building with a theatre, exhibition space, and retail.
- Interactive walk highlighting the local wetland and wildlife experience: peat lakes, restored bogs, and mature kahikatea stands, within a pest-free sanctuary.



Artists impressions: Pearson Architects



Planning is underway

The National Wetland Trust has developed a business plan and is currently seeking sponsorship and grants to build the centre.



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