

Tarawera D

VIEWER LOCATION

Rangiuru Bay, at the base of Kariri Point. U16 073284

DESCRIPTION

Panoramic views from Rangiuru Bay across the *lake* to include Mount Tarawera and the Haroharo volcanic complex. *Lake* edge planting and grassed reserve areas provide the foreground view.

THREATS

- Clearance of vegetation within the caldera rim
- Foreground planting/*development* screening views
- *Development* of caldera sides and rim

OPPORTUNITIES

- *Redevelopment* of *lake* edge reserve

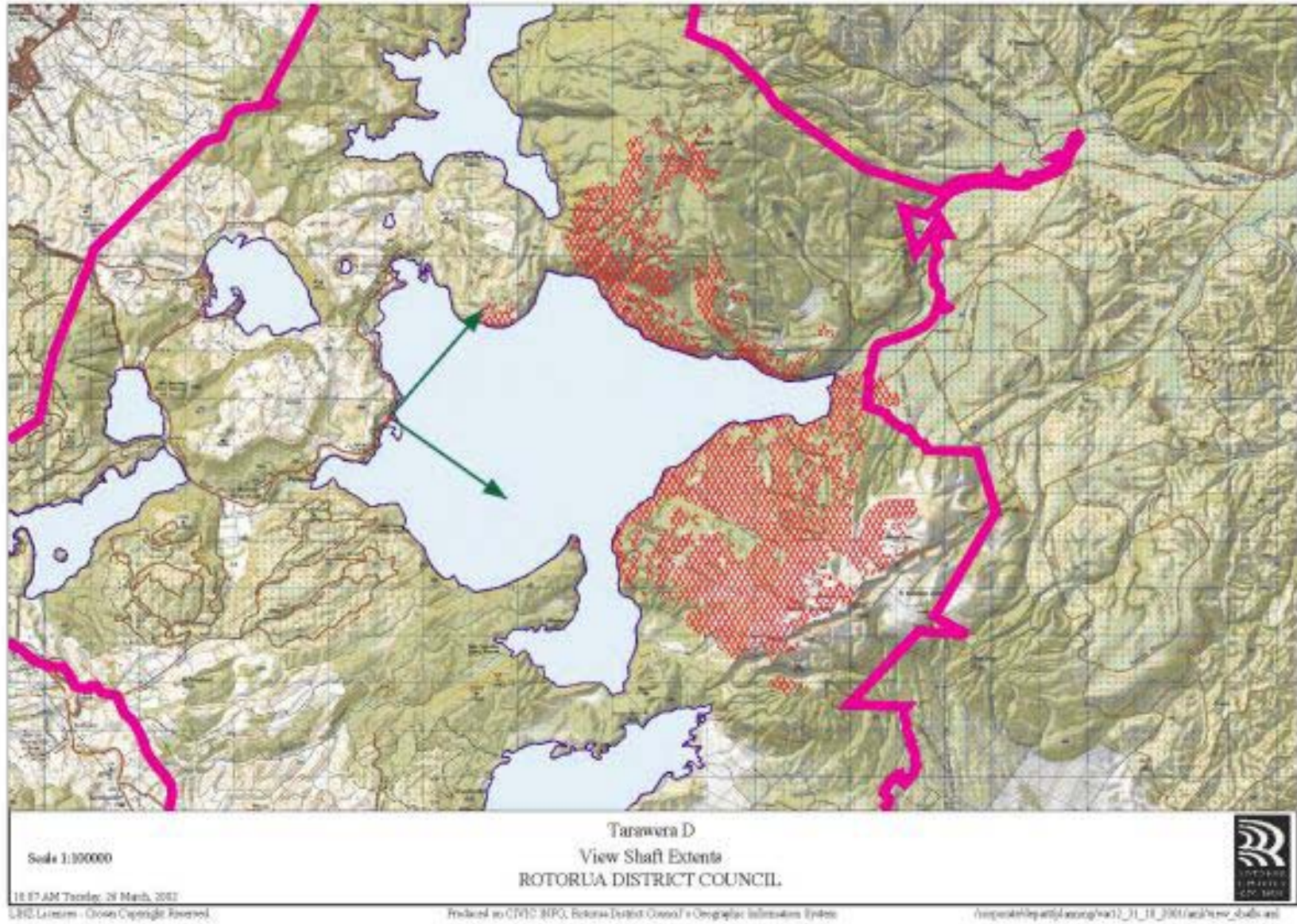
RESPONSE

- Protection of foreground from screen planting
- Protection of vegetation on the sides and the rim of the caldera
- Protection of the caldera from inappropriate *development*

SCORE

Score: 21





Tarawera E

VIEWER LOCATION

Spencer Road overlooking Otumutu Bay. U16 073319

DESCRIPTION

View focusing into an enclosed bay containing a number of small islands. The inlet to the bay is framed by low lying bush covered peninsulas and Otumutu Island in the middle distance. The island appears as part of the mainland. Distant views of Mount Tarawera are available over bays inlet. Moorings, boats and adjacent residential *development* provide a sense of cultural modification.

THREATS

- Clearance of existing vegetation in the distance
- Additional *development* or screening between the *lake* and the *road* edge

OPPORTUNITIES

- Tidying of the foreground vegetation
- Further naturalisation of the peninsulas in the middle distance

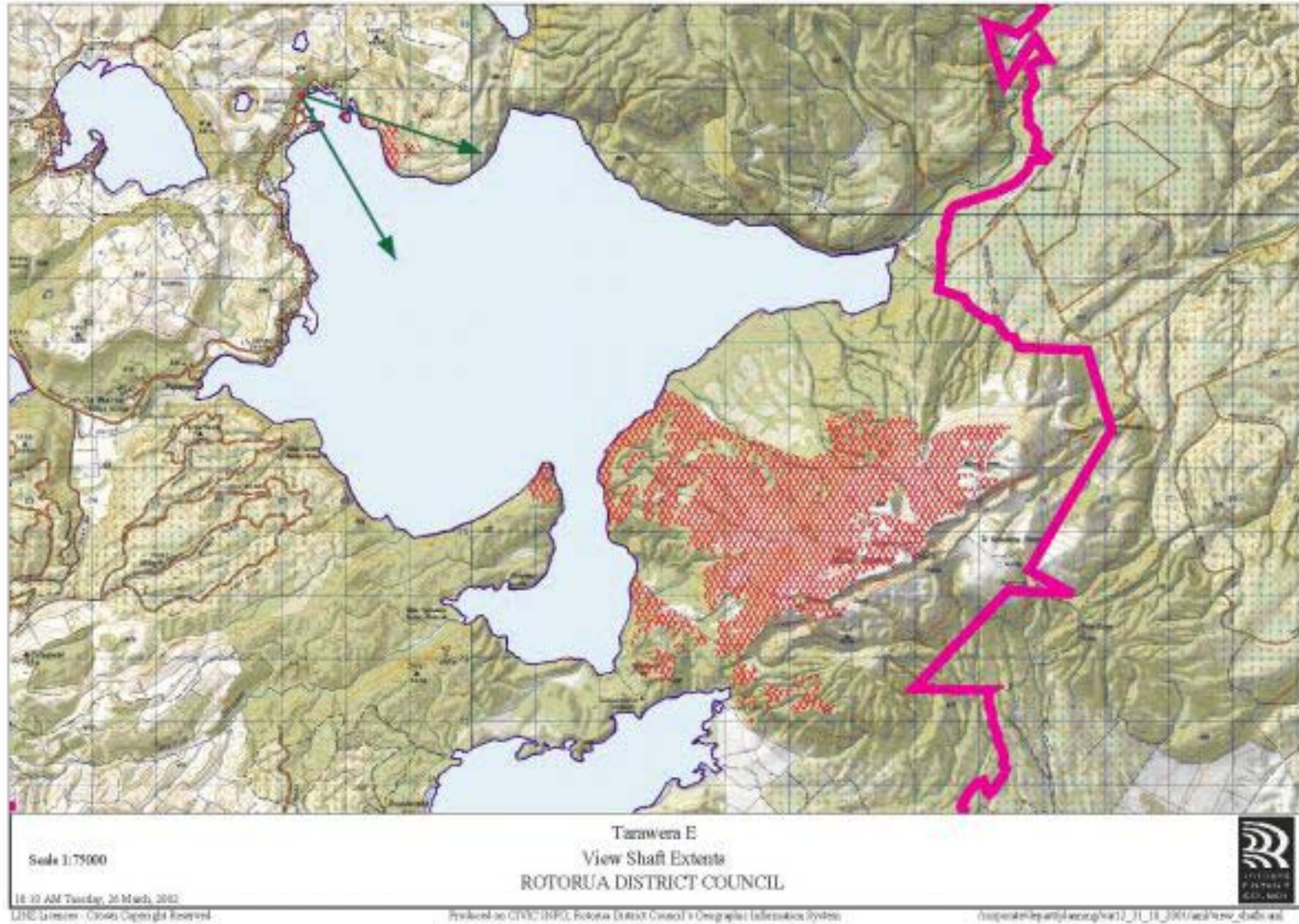
RESPONSE

- Protection of the middle distance vegetation
- Management of the foreground vegetation to ensure that screening does not occur

SCORE

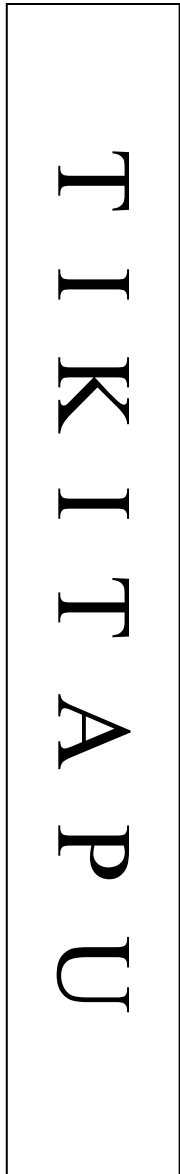
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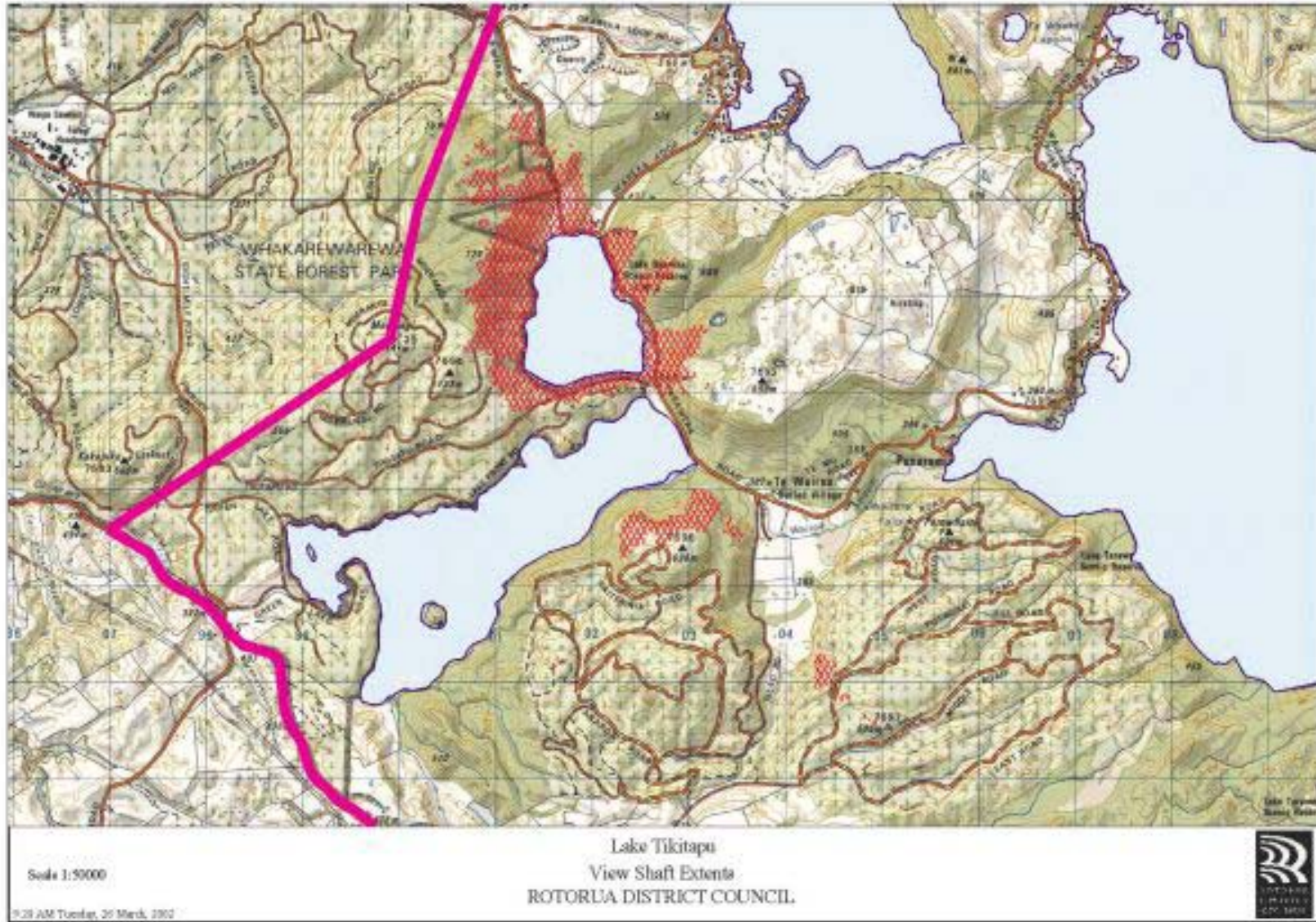




4.8 Tikitapu (Blue Lake)

The following information sheets relate to the Lake Tikitapu watershed *catchment*.





Tikitapu A

VIEWER LOCATION

The lookout at Tarawera Road on the ridge between Lake Rotokakahi and Lake Tikitapu. U16 027281

DESCRIPTION

The foreground is dominated by vegetation which is starting to grow into the view shaft. The view is framed by a mixture of exotic and native vegetation. The *lake* surface lies in the middle distance. The focal point is a native covered hill side and the Blue Lake Motor Camp, which is being obscured by foreground vegetation. The majority of the sky line is covered with native vegetation, with a small amount of *exotic vegetation* in the distance.

THREATS

- Further encroachment into the view shaft of the foreground vegetation
- Clearance of the native vegetation in the distance
- *Development* at the far end of the *lake* or on the sky line

OPPORTUNITIES

- Management of the foreground vegetation to re-open the view shaft

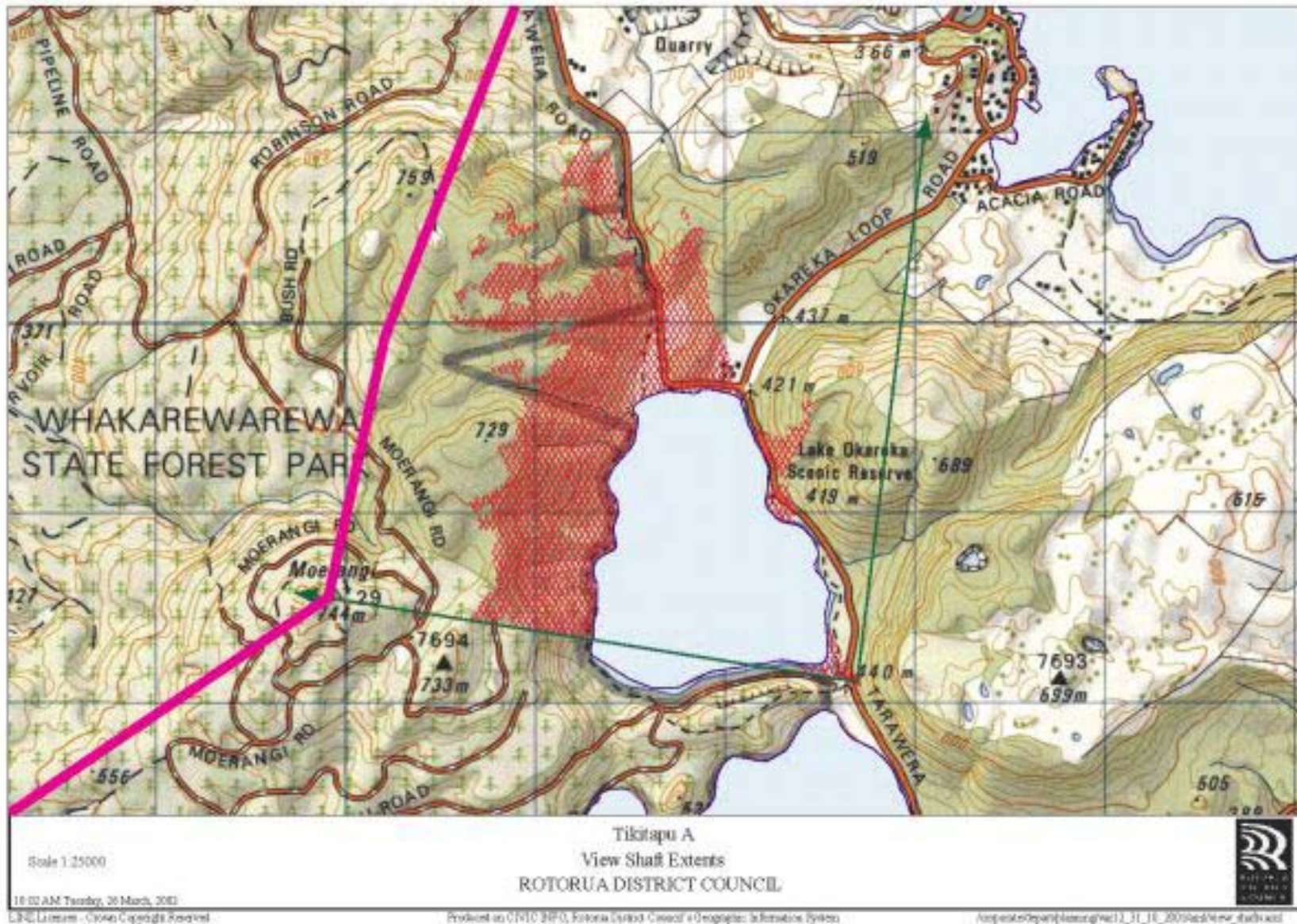
RESPONSE

- Management of the foreground vegetation
- Protection of the vegetation in the distance from clearance
- Protection of the hillsides and sky line from inappropriate *development*

SCORE

Score: 20





Tikitapu B

VIEWER LOCATION

The boat ramp at the northern end of Lake Tikitapu. U16 017297

DESCRIPTION

The foreground contains the beach and reserve area, the middle distance is occupied by the *lake* surface and the focal point consists of a shallow saddle and a large block of *exotic vegetation* framed on both sides by native vegetation. The skyline is vegetated with natives and exotics and is free of *development*. The western side of the *lake* is showing signs of scarring from harvesting of exotic forests.

THREATS

- There is a danger that inappropriate harvesting techniques could lead to strong visual *effects* on the western side of the *lake* and also the associated adverse environmental *effects*
- *Development* on the hillsides or the sky line

OPPORTUNITIES

- The revegetation of the existing exotic forestry areas with native vegetation

RESPONSE

- Protection of the existing native vegetation from clearance
- Control of forestry harvesting techniques to ensure minimal visual and environmental *effects*
- Protection of hill sides and sky line from *development*

SCORE

Score: 21



