



27 August 2012

Christine McCarthy
President
The Architectural Centre
PO Box 24178
WELLINGTON

File Ref: 12009-1062

Dear Christine

Final Registration of Te Urewera National Park Visitor Centre (Former), 6395 Lake Road (State Highway 38), Aniwanuiwa, Lake Waikaremoana (Register no. 9553) under the Historic Places Act 1993

Further to our previous correspondence, I can now confirm that the proposal to register Te Urewera National Park Visitor Centre (Former), Aniwanuiwa, has been considered by the New Zealand Historic Places Trust (NZHPT) Board.

Following careful consideration of the registration proposal and the letters received, the Board confirmed the proposal to register Te Urewera National Park Visitor Centre (Former) on 23 August 2012. The Board considered that Te Urewera National Park Visitor Centre (Former) has sufficient significance to merit inclusion on the Register as a Category 1 historic place.

A public notice confirming the Board decision will be published in the *New Zealand Herald* and *Hawke's Bay Today* on Saturday 8 September 2012. A printout from the Register Database is enclosed for your information.

The NZHPT Recommendations to ensure the continued survival of this place are: that the conservation plan, including a repair and maintenance schedule, is completed by a conservation architect and implemented; that urgent remedial work is undertaken; and that the place is listed in the heritage schedule of the Wairoa District Council District Plan. The NZHPT also recommends that efforts are made to acknowledge and respect the strong and intertwined relationship between the former Te Urewera National Park Visitor Centre building and Colin McCahon's *Urewera Mural*. The building and painting were designed for each other, and the NZHPT is supportive of efforts to find a way to acknowledge and where possible retain that relationship.

Please contact the Central Regional Office if you have any questions relating to the registration. A full list of contact details for our staff members is enclosed for your information.

Thank you for your involvement in the registration process.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "A. E. Neill".

Ann Neill
General Manager – Central Region
NZHPT
Ph: (04) 494 8320

*Attachments: Register Database Entry; Staff Contact Details
cc. NZHPT Registrar*