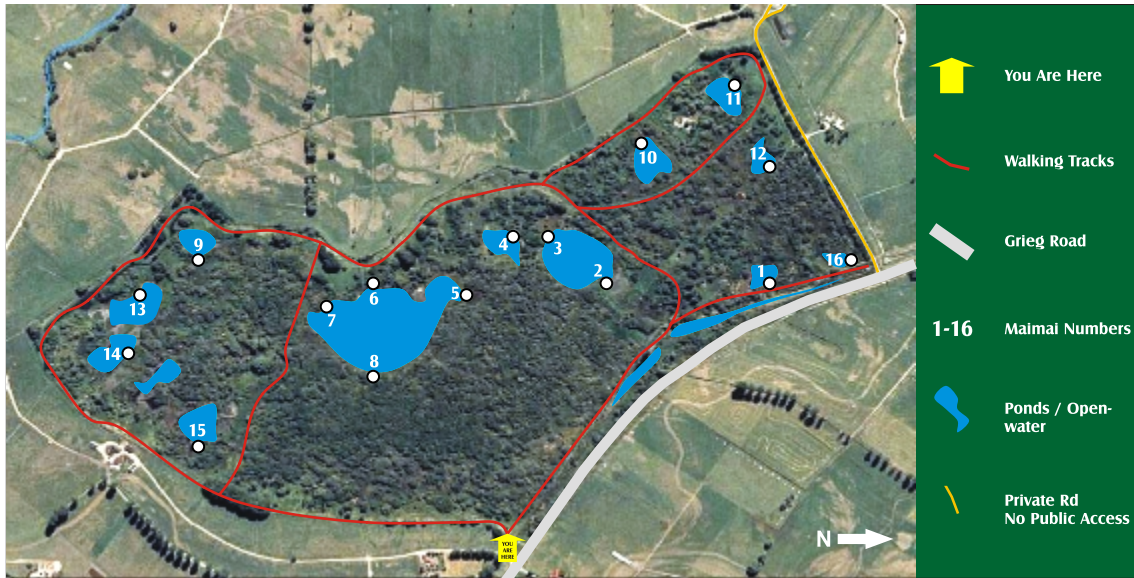


Awaiti Wildlife Management Reserve



Awaiti freshwater wetland is one of the largest single areas remaining of the original Rangitaiki Plains wetlands. Because of its size, Awaiti is of considerable importance for the conservation of regional water bird populations. Indigenous species of note which can be found in the reserve include: Australasian bittern, spotless crane and New Zealand dabchick.

Awaiti is an ancestral place that is of importance to hapu of both Ngati Awa and Ngati Tuwharetoa (BOP).

Restoration and enhancement of Awaiti wetland is being undertaken by Department of Conservation and Fish & Game New Zealand with support from Environment Bay of Plenty.

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Hunting and vehicle access by permit only

Please note: Hunters use this reserve during the waterfowl hunting season May - June.
Other recreational users are advised not to use the reserve at this time.