

# Ngā pārongo hou

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Over the past 18 months, upgrades across the Far North have transformed our maritime facilities. New wharves, pontoons, gangways and intertidal steps have improved access and safety for people enjoying our harbours and waterways.



Unahi is one of 10 locations in the Far North to recently receive an upgrade to its maritime facilities.

Our maritime facilities web page has a range of information including: boat ramp locations (on an interactive map); the number of trailer-only and car parking spaces at each facility, and; boat ramp capacities. Find it at [fndc.govt.nz/maritimefacilities](https://fndc.govt.nz/maritimefacilities). The council and its commercial company, Far North Holdings Ltd, own and manage this extensive network of maritime facilities.

### OUR MARITIME PROJECTS

#### Te Hiku Ward

A \$2.5 million upgrade of Pukenui Wharf is complete, including the renewal of the boat ramp and car park. There is now parking for nine boat trailers and up to 15 cars.



The construction of a new wharf, concrete pontoon and gangway have all been completed at Unahi replacing a 50-year-old timber wharf. The \$1.6 million project was completed in June 2022.



The Mangōnui boardwalk has transformed access to the town's famous waterfront. A new public jetty with pontoon opposite Thomas Street has also been completed. Stage 2 of the development is now out for tender. This will include building a new parking area next to the commercial wharf, and improving the dinghy ramp and deck.

#### Kaikohe-Hokianga Ward



Four upgrades have been completed in Hokianga. At Te Karaka there's a new timber wharf, floating pontoon and gangway. Motutī has a new pontoon and jetty. Rangi Point now benefits from a new wharf and pontoon. Māngungu has a new timber wharf, floating pontoon and gangway.



A replacement wharf for Ōmāpere is due to be completed by Christmas. Land opposite Ōpononi wharf and boat ramp has been purchased by the council and may be used to expand maritime facilities.

#### Bay of Islands-Whangaroa Ward



Plans for a \$3.6 million expansion of boating facilities at Rangitāne are on hold. A restart of the resource consent application process is planned for mid-2023. The installation of public toilets will begin early 2023 to support the future development of boat ramp facilities.



The car park at Rangitoto boat ramp was resealed in early December. The final stretch of Kerikeri Inlet Road from Edmonds Road to the boat ramp was also recently sealed. The new road surface will reduce noise and dust nuisance from increased traffic accessing the boat ramp.



The car park at the popular Waipapa Landing boat ramp was recently sealed. The \$247,000 project included improvements to drainage and stormwater management. Further work is planned for the public toilets.

When a breakwater and beach restoration project was cancelled, it left \$5.8 million of proposed council funding unallocated. \$1.7 million has been committed to a project to beautify Paihia waterfront in collaboration with the community. The council has not yet decided how or where to spend the remaining \$4.1 million.

For more information go to: [www.fndc.govt.nz](https://www.fndc.govt.nz)