



## Field Trip 2 – Rangitaiki Frost Flats

### 4WD Road Trip

(Limited to 40 people)

Meet at Great Lake Centre, Taupō at 8:00am to pick up your packed lunch.

Depart by bus at 8:30am and drive to the back of Otangimoana through Kaingaroa Forest, where we will stop for talks from Timberlands and we can take a little stroll through Monoao frost flats that has a range of wildings throughout with a long history of control.

Drive to the northern end of Waipunga Road and stop at the head of the Waipunga Valley frost flats for a talk from the Department of Conservation then head down Waipunga Road along the frost flats to SH5 on the Waipunga Falls car park.



Drive along SH5 to the gates of Lochinvar Station then up to the office where the Farm Manager will share their experiences. We will stop here for lunch.

After lunch, drive through Lochinvar Station to look to the edge of the Ripia frost flats and have a talk from Hawkes Bay Regional Council.

Drive back out the same way to the Lochinvar Station gates and out to the State Highway SH5.

Drive back to Taupō with a few additional stops for talks, and back along the Taupō lakefront to the Great Lake Centre by 3:30pm.

*There are little strolls from the bus so please wear comfortable shoes that you don't mind getting a little dirty and layer up your clothes especially if it is cold. Bring a rain jacket and a backpack for your lunch and any other gear you need.*

