

He aha tō mahi?

What's your job?

Kūmua Prefix

Paetahi
Graduate

Paewaenga
Intermediate

Matua
Senior

Mātāmua
Principal

Kaimahi Core Job Title

Kaipūkaha
Engineer

Kaitohutohu
Advisor

Mātanga
Consultant/Specialist

Kaiwhakahaere
Manager

Kaiwhakamahere
Planner

Kaitātai
Designer

Kaiwhakamahi
Operator

Kaiwhakarerewai
Plumber

**Kaiwhakatakoto
Paipa Wai**
Drainlayer

Kaihanganrau
Technician

Kaikirimana
Contractor

Kaitātari
Analyst

Kairuruku
Coordinator

Momo mahi Disciplines

Wai
Water

Wai-para
Wastewater

Wai-inu
Drinking Water

Wai-āwhā
Stormwater

Taiao
Environmental

Ratonga Wai
Water Services

Kaupapa
Project

Metarahi
Civil

Pūrere
Mechanical

Tukanga
Process

Rawa Wai
Water resources

Whakapai Wai
Water treatment

Whakapai Wai-para
Wastewater treatment

Whakapai Wai-āwhā
Stormwater treatment

Kaupapahere
Policy

Whakatauirā Example



“He [Kaimahi] [Kūmua]
[momo mahi] ahau”

“I am a [Prefix] [discipline type]
[Core Title]”

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Mōrena!
He **Kaiwhakatakoto Paipa Wai** ahau
(Good) Morning! I am a Drainlayer.

Kia ora!
He **Kaiarotake Wai-inu** ahau
Hi! I am a Drinking Water Assessor

Ata Mārie!
He **Kaiwhakamahi Whakapai Wai-para** ahau
Hi! I am a Wastewater Treatment Plant Operator

Tēnā koutou!
He **Kaipūkaha Paetahi Rawa Wai** ahau
Hello everyone! I am a Graduate Water Resources Engineer

Ngā mihi o te rā!
He **Mātanga Mātāmua Wai āwhā** ahau
Greeting of the day! I am a Principal Stormwater Specialist.

Pō Mārie!
He **Kaihangarau Matua Whakapai Wai** ahau
Goodevening! I am a Senior Water Treatment Technician

Nau mai, Haere mai!
He **Kaiwhakahaere o ngā wai paipa e toru** ahau
Greetings, Welcome! I am a Three Waters Manager

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Ka ora te wai, ka ora te whenua, ka ora ngā tāngata
If the water is healthy, the land is healthy, the people are healthy