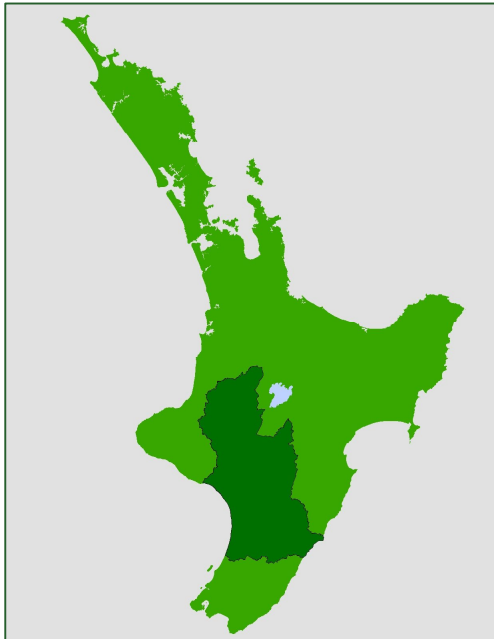


The Green RIG – A Beginner's Guide



The Horizons Region and big Green RIG territory

RIG = Regional Information 2 Go!

Jump aboard and become part of the drive to make our region a brighter shade of green!

Launched in May 2007, Horizons Regional Council's new mobile education unit brings fun stuff about the environment straight to your place. Packed full of interactive exhibits, demos, resources and technology, it will help you take up the eco-challenge in your batch, backyard, barn or business.

The Experience

Step inside our virtual environment on the RIG and:

EXPLORE how the environment 'works',

IMAGINE how the future could look, and

ACT to make a change for the better.



The *Streamulator* in action

Try your hand at our fun and informative computer games - *Place Invaders*, *How Many Planets do you Need?*, *NZ Bush Idol* and *H2You*. Get your hands dirty on the *Streamulator* stream and erosion table or try your hand at the *Tower of Power* or our special mini-putt *Fishin' Mission*. Watch the *Enviroscape* demo or see a groundwater aquifer in action. Learning is fun on the Green RIG!



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What's Inside?



The RIG's on-board interactive exhibits and displays centre on the key themes of WATER, LAND and HABITATS, with a range of hands-on, outdoor classroom programmes running from the Genesis Energy E.S.I (Environmental Scene Investigation) Lab.

The RIG is a giant renewable energy exhibit, with an on-board solar panel array generating part of our power needs and a selection of exhibits that promote and demonstrate energy efficiency.

Loaded up with communications technology, the RIG also has video conferencing and multimedia presentation capability for meetings, satellite broadband and internet kiosks, webcams and GPS

Education Programmes

Have wheels – will travel! With thousands of kilometres of roads in our region we've a bit of tarmac to cover each year.

Staffed by two mobile environmental educators, the Green RIG's '14 wheels of environmental thunder' make regular pit stops all over, calling into community fun days, schools, festivals, A&P shows and rural events.



Curriculum linked programmes are delivered from the RIG to schools free of charge. Programmes are grouped into four key areas: Water Quality and Quantity, Biodiversity, and Land - all tailored to suit our region

Although the RIG follows a pre-set annual calendar route it can be booked for school visits, adult workshops, special events, and community activities. To enquire about bookings, call Horizons on freephone 0508 800 800 or email info@greenrig.co.nz.



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