

MOKA APITI

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Moka has worked as a Geographic Information Systems (GIS) consultant in the GIS sector for nearly 30 years and is the Managing Director of Digital Navigators Ltd which provides GIS, mapping services and strategic digital technology consultancy to Iwi and Indigenous communities and is passionate about assisting and empowering Iwi and Indigenous communities to achieve their own aspirations through the use of geospatial and digital technologies and the integration of Indigenous knowledge systems.

Moka has had a long history working with Māori and Indigenous communities internationally on a variety of kaupapa in various roles including as a Director on Native Lands, founder of the Indigenous Mapping Wananga Aotearoa and as a Google Earth Outreach Trainer. Moka has held roles as the Chair of Te Rūnanganui o Ngāti Hikairo, Te Kāhui Manu Hookai – the National Maori GIS Association, a Director of HistoryWorks Ltd, a Director of Te Potiki Trust, and the GIS Advisor for the US Agency for International Development stationed in Iraq in 2008.