



### **Why are we doing this?**

The Norwood rock forest is situated on one of the Auckland Isthmus' last remaining sections of intact basalt lava field. Lava flows here originate from the Three Kings volcano (Te Tātua-a-Riukiuta), which erupted around 30,000 years ago.

Originally these lava fields would have supported forest of titoki, mangao, puriri, karaka and others. Due to historic clearance and degradation, natural forest has been partially replaced by invasive plants.

Over the next five years Watercare is committed to improving the ecological areas adjacent to the Meola Creek near our construction sites. We will do so by removing weeds, controlling pests and carrying out restoration planting. This work is part of Watercare's Central Interceptor project.

### **What to bring on the day**

Bring your gumboots, a pair of gloves, your refillable water bottle and wear something appropriate for a rocky forest.

### **Please note**

It is also important to know the site is adjacent to a stream and through a rocky forest. We ask you to ensure children are accompanied and supervised by an adult at all times, please.