



Kā Pou Whenua

KĀ POU WHENUA TE TAI POUTINI ROADSHOW LAUNCHES IN WESTPORT WITH A DRAMATIC WEATHER TURNAROUND

Westport, New Zealand – The Kā Pou Whenua Te Tai Poutini Roadshow kicked off its journey in spectacular fashion, beginning with a dramatic morning of thunderstorms and torrential rain. Despite the ominous start, the weather miraculously transformed into sunshine just in time for the team’s first visit to a local community group.

The Roadshow, a key initiative designed to engage with communities across Te Tai Poutini, aims to foster connections, share important kaupapa, and gather insights to inform meaningful change.

“The shift from wild weather to bright sunshine feels symbolic of the journey we’re embarking on,” said Waitamāi Tamehana, Kā Pou Whenua Regional Programme Coordinator. “It’s a reminder of the resilience and optimism that drives our work alongside communities here on the West Coast.”

The team was warmly welcomed by the Westport community, setting a positive tone for the Roadshow’s upcoming engagements. Over the coming week the Roadshow will travel across Te Tai Poutini, meeting with groups and individuals to strengthen relationships and deepen its understanding of local needs and aspirations.

