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Maungaraho Rock climb re-opens

The spectacular scenery from the top of Maungaraho Rock will again be opened up for those keen to make the climb to the top.

The Summit Track was closed at the end of 2015 because of safety concerns. The old cable and ladder have gone, replaced with a much safer chain grab system. While the means to get to the top of this impressive peak is now safe and secure, it will still take fitness and ability to make the climb, General Manager Community, Venessa Anich says.

“This is a distinctive feature of Kaipara and it’s great that it is now available once more for our residents and visitors to enjoy.

“One special aspect of Maungaraho Rock is the native Hebe species of plant discovered there in 2008, not found anywhere else in the country. We, along with Northland Regional Council and local residents, have been carrying out considerable pest plant control as well, because this is such a valuable site,” Ms Anich says.

Council is planning to reopen the Summit Track on **Wednesday 05 October at 10am**. There will be a short opening ceremony, followed by a climb to the top for those who are willing, fit and able.

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Photograph caption: Stunning views from the top of Maungaraho Rock are again accessible, with the Summit Track now open once more for keen residents and visitors to the area.

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