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Litter trap collecting plastics and other inorganic matter to prevent the pollution of the Te Ara-rata Stream.

This photo represents the kaitiaki of the Te Ara-rata stream, carried out by the Te Ara-rata Stream Team, Curious Minds students and local Māngere community.

Plastic Pollution is the accumulation of plastic matter to a point where it negatively affects our environment. Plastic Pollution is commonly found in public areas such as our roads, parks, footpaths, and local stormwater drains. These plastics end up in our local waterways, affecting freshwater and terrestrial ecosystems (e.g. freshwater inanga, eels and native birds). In the Te Ara-rata stream, a litter trap has been installed between the banks of the stream to combat this environmental issue.