

Tamarind development drilling applications

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Do you have the authority to make this submission on behalf of the person named on this form?

Position

Yes

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Do you intend to have a spokesperson who will act on your behalf (e.g. a lawyer or professional advisor)?

Position

No

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Do you wish to speak to your submission at the hearing?

Position

No I/we do not wish to speak to my/our submission at the hearing

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Do you wish to receive regular updates from the EPA about the progress of this application?

Position

No I/we only wish to be notified of the decision (and the hearing times and locations if I'm speaking to my submission).

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What decision do you want the Board to make and why? Provide reasons in the box below.

Position

Grant with conditions

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The benefits outweigh the costs See attachment for full submission.

The submitter have elected to withhold their personal details from publication.

Elemental Group is an international energy services group dedicated to providing better energy solutions for our clients. We provide a full range of professional geoscience, science, engineering, environmental, project management, and financial modelling services for the energy sector. We have offices in New Plymouth, Wellington, Perth and Port Moresby. Our petroleum consulting business has been providing services to Tamarind since 2011 and our environmental and renewables business have been supporting Tamarind since 2014. Local oil and gas companies make up 64% of our client base and Tamarind companies have been a key part of this business since 2011.

Tamarind is currently applying under the EEZ Act for a marine consent to allow for development drilling to be undertaken within the Tui Field, and for a marine discharge consent to allow for discharge of offshore processing drainage from deck drains aboard the drill rig. This drilling program is expected to commence in mid-2019 and will seek to drill 3 – 4 wells in the Tui Field, to attempt to further extend the economic life of this very successful asset. The Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) manage this approval process and allow for a period of public consultation to enable people and organisations to comment on the applications.

Should this work not go ahead, it would have an immediate impact on our business - our people are involved in both planning and executing the work. Tamarind has an excellent track record in operating the Tui field in a safe and environmentally-friendly manner and we are confident that they will continue to do so if their application is granted.

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