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Tēnā koe

### COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020 – Comment on Listed Project 15

I am writing in response to your letter of 3 September in which you invited written comment on Listed Project 15 Papakura to Drury South State Highway 1 Improvements under Schedule 6, Clause 17(4)(h) of the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020 (the Act).

I have considered matters specific to my portfolio as the Minister for Treaty of Waitangi Negotiations and as the Minister responsible for the Marine and Coastal Area (Takutai Moana) Act 2011. I note the application falls within the indicative areas of interest for both Hako and Ngāti Koheriki. I understand neither group has been invited to comment on this application.

The iwi authority for Hako is Te Kupenga o Ngāti Hako. The Treaty settlement entity for Hako is Hako Tūpuna Trust.

Ngāti Koheriki does not have an iwi authority or Treaty settlement entity for the purposes of the Act. Although negotiations have stopped, Ngāti Koheriki Claims Committee is the mandated entity which represents Ngāti Koheriki in Treaty settlement negotiations.

As Hako and Ngāti Koheriki may have interests in the application area, I request you invite Te Kupenga o Ngāti Hako, Hako Tūpuna Trust, and Ngāti Koheriki Claims Committee to comment on this application before issuing a decision.

Nāku noa, nā

  
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