

FAST TRACK CONSENTING / NATIONAL POLICY STATEMENT – FRESHWATER MANAGEMENT – TAMATEA POKAI WHENUA

AGENDA AND NOTES

29 January 2024

10am

Microsoft Teams

Attendees

Name	Role	Organisation
Pōhautu	Chair	[PSGE name]
Beverly Kemp-Harmer	Kaiwhakatere	[PSGE name]
Darryn Russell	Chief Executive	[PSGE name]
Di Smith	Te Taiao Team	
Brett Ellison	Investment Manager	[PSGE name]
Daran Pointer	Engagement Lead – Treaty Settlements Team	Ministry for the Environment
Andrew Hampton	Principal Advisor - Treaty Settlement Team	Ministry for the Environment
Jo Gascoigne	General Manager for Resource Management Reform	Ministry for the Environment
Craig Daidson		Ministry for the Environment
Hamony Karikari		Te Arawhiti (online)

Items [change as appropriate]

1	Mihi whakatau, karakia
2	Mihimihi
3	Purpose
4	Overview
5	Discussion
6	Next steps
7	Whakakapi, karakia

Meeting notes



Discussion notes	D1	Karakia
	D2	<p>Introduction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Look to have everyone together in person in the next three weeks• Trying to find a time to meet to get into detail, looking at 19-20th but may need to be earlier than this. This will be best opportunity to this.<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Crowns resourcing tends to flow to local authorities want everyone to manage everything with unrealistic timeframes. Understanding Crowns methodology that gives capability to give confidence to be able to put up quality legislation.○ Thinking around how we can do this.
	D3	<p>Fast Track Consenting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Apologies for having conversation prior to Ministers letter coming out• Moving fast so need to look back at Covid fast track as models NBA fast track consenting regime. Key differences will be enabling development in infrastructure and housing benefits significant National or Regional benefit. Main difference focused on creating jobs and its impact on our economy, this focuses on National and Regional infrastructure benefits.• Housing, infrastructure, flood control,• Assessment at Ministerial level, limited ability for Panel to decline project once it has been referred. Part of assessment will be upholding TS and there will be protections in place to ensure TS are upheld through this process.• Legislation will focus on RMA consents but approvals under other legislation as well for example wildlife act and heritage legislation.• Part of governments 100 days commitments which means by 7 March. Coming out now with broad proposals because we don't have more detail at this point, part of this will be lift and shift.'• If Iwi have initiatives themselves – Will be criteria to decide whether project if suitable for process, this will mean a narrowing of projects going through. Will be list of projects in legislation that will be first cabs off the ranks to get through.



	<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Welcome one part of this process, creating speed and capability to develop Regional and National capabilities to not get held up at the process.○ Where is MFEs thinking of protecting our TS rights but fundamental engagement process that gives visibility to implement, and engage on development. Where is the process protected in that? They are protected, might look different, rather than at Council level it would be at Ministerial level. Opportunity to see what significance means? For developers and regions may not mean the same for Māori. Jo to come back with more detail.○ Criteria narrowing – Building up at the moment, thinking around about the significance but could be things like developer's previous environmental record. Looking at this currently.○ Process for local authorities, do they have opportunities to contest? - Experience with developer○ Supply applies to dry are but also possibly into the marine area. Enables things like offshore wind farms and aquaculture, thinking of the geographical spread is a live question.○ Develop framework is membership inclusive for TS to be active voice of process – need to put this in front of Ministers. Early signal if this is not going to be the case. Expect that having a member would be part of the projection in the process. <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Ability to get things built to make things easier and fast er to get this up and running.● Pre referral process would make sure any Treaty Settlements are upheld through the process. Panel would have very little to decline process, judgement would more sit with Ministerial decisions.● Process – Moving fast, have Ministerial group set to define policy and draft Bill, looking to have Bill introduced by 7 arch.● Wanting to talk to PSGEs to heave concerns and understand position so we can feed this into decision making process with Ministers.
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