

FTC #5: Application for referred projects under the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020 – Stage 1 decision to 14 August 2020

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| Date Submitted: | 20 August 2020 | Tracking #: 2020-B-07099 | |
| Security Level | In-Confidence | MfE Priority: | Urgent |

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| | Action sought: | Response by: |
| To Hon David Parker, Minister for the Environment | Decision | 24 August 2020 |

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| Actions for Minister's Office Staff | <p>Send out attached letters (if agreed and signed).</p> <p>Return the signed briefing to MfE.</p> |
| Number of appendices and attachments | <p>Titles of appendices:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> Letters from the Minister for the Environment to relevant Ministers of the Crown, local authorities and iwi. Request for further information letters from the Minister for the Environment to Barker & Associates and Ryman Healthcare. |

Ministry for the Environment contacts

| Position | Name | Cell phone | 1 st contact |
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| Director | Liz Moncrieff | s 9(2)(a) | |

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Key Messages

1. We are seeking your decision on four applications for referral of projects to an expert consenting panel under the COVID-19 Recovery (Fast-track Consenting) Act 2020 (the Act), as follows:
 - a. Molesworth Street Office Development
 - b. Karori Comprehensive Care Retirement Village
 - c. Kohimarama Comprehensive Care Retirement Village
 - d. Park Terrace Comprehensive Care Retirement Village
2. We have undertaken an initial (Stage 1) analysis of these applications and recommend you progress all four to the next stage.
3. A summary of the analysis and our recommendations for the applications is provided in Table A. You are the sole decision maker for these projects (these are not in the Coastal Marine Area).
4. We are working to provide briefing note 2020-B-070114 on Application 9 – Clutha Upper Waitaki Lines project to you next week. This is the first Stage 2 analysis you will receive, which takes into account the comments received to date, and makes a recommendation on whether to approve or decline all or part of the application for referral. Application 9, if approved for referral, will progress through the full Order in Council process.
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s 9(2)(g)(i)
6. Table B indicates how applications we have received for referred projects under the Act are processing under the fast-track process. Table B also includes progress of Listed Projects received by the Environmental Protection Agency. We will continue to monitor and report progress to you.

Action sought

7. Please indicate your decision on the recommendation for the applications listed in Table A.

Signatures

Sara Clarke
Manager
Natural and Built System

Projects to progress

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| Project details | Project description and location | Project Funding | Project eligibility criteria met [s18(3)] | Assessment against the purpose of the Act | | | | | Any other matters [s19(f)] | Recommendation | Decision |
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| | | | | Economic benefits and costs [s19(a)] | Effect on social and cultural wellbeing [s19(b)] | Likelihood project will progress faster under the Act [s19(c)] | Public benefit [s19(d)] | Potential for significant adverse effects [s19(e)] | | | |
| resource consenting stage with the respective councils. The projects are not dependent on each other. | (100-104 Park Terrace) | supplies for village operations such as food. | | <p>approximately s 9(2) to the economy per annum</p> <p>The applicant has advised that the project will support local employment.</p> <p>We recommend that further information is sought from the applicant regarding the number of new local jobs intended to be created, and any information on the economic impacts of COVID-19 on local whether the local tradespeople, suppliers and contractors intended to be used in the project.</p> | | | | | | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Christchurch City Council Environment Canterbury <p>e. agree to seek comments from other persons:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga | Yes/No |

Signed:

Hon David Parker
Minister for the Environment

Date

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