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Thanks for your email Ollie

We have looked at the information you have provided and have not identified that the project area includes any public conservation land (PCL), although there is some highly significant PCL within a few hundred metres, including parts of the internationally recognised Ramsar site of Awarua/Waituna.

As there is no PCL in the project area DOC will not be responsible for any Treaty obligations. \$ 9(2)(9)(i)

There are on-site and adjacent wetlands and migratory birds moving through the area, located as it is between significant water bodies. None of these, however, are reasons for ineligibility, on the information we have received. It is unclear whether this will have implications for Wildlife Act approvals, as the applicant has not engaged with DOC so far.

Regards

Neil Deans

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Subject: [IN-CONFIDENCE]FTA064 for feedback

Good afternoon Neil,

I have recently joined the MfE team working through the applications for fast track approvals listed projects.

It's nice to cross paths again (under 'at-pace' circumstances once again I might add!).

Please find attached the application material for listed project application FTA064 Awarua Quadrant Windfarm.

This application indicates the project may adversely affect birdlife, noting nearby habitats of New River Estuary, Bluff Harbour and Waituna Lagoon.

Could you please let us know anything you're aware of that would render this project ineligible under Clause 18, or any relevant Treaty settlement provisions you are aware of?

If possible, please provide feedback by 5pm Tuesday 21 May.

I look forward to hearing from you, and will no doubt be in touch again on other applications.

Cheers Ollie

Oliver Sangster

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