

Jacob Paget

From: Meredith Lawry s 9(2)(a)
Sent: Wednesday, 5 June 2024 9:42 am
To: Listed Projects
Cc: Neil Deans [EXTERNAL] (DOC)
Subject: RE: [IN-CONFIDENCE]Feedback on FTA #237 -Waikaka Gold Mine

Kia ora,

We haven't identified any reasons why this project would be ineligible.

Within the highlighted area of their attached site map is the Waikaka Stream - Fixed Marginal Strip which falls under s24(3) of the Conservation Act 1987, and there are likely to be threatened species affected by the activity proposed.

The project site is covered by the Ngāi Tahu Claims Settlement Act.

Thanks,
Meredith

From: Listed Projects <ListedProjects@mfe.govt.nz>
Sent: Friday, May 31, 2024 2:27 PM
To: Neil Deans s 9(2)(a) Meredith Lawry s 9(2)(a)
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Subject: [IN-CONFIDENCE]Feedback on FTA #237 -Waikaka Gold Mine

Kia ora Neil and Meredith

This listed project application is for FTA237 – Waikaka Gold Mine.

The purpose of the project is to operate an open-cut gold mine over 8 years on a 95ha site, producing on average 6,000 ounces of gold per year.

The Applicant has undertaken extensive exploration, feasibility studies and commissioned relevant technical investigations over a number of years in order to determine the commercial and environmental appropriateness of the project. Extensive pre-application consultation has been undertaken with landowners, neighbours, the two consent authorities, government and iwi organisations, and the local community.

The Applicant has in place formal access arrangements with the private landowners whose land is subject of this proposal. Discussions with the Department of Conservation and Land Information New Zealand are underway in respect of access arrangements to the Crown regarding Land comprising the bed and margins of the Waikaka Stream.

Could you please provide comment on:

- whether the project requires any DoC-related approvals
- if you are aware of anything that would render the project ineligible under clause 18 of the Bill
- if you are aware of any Treaty settlement matters which relate to the project site – such as local protocols
- any other relevant matter?

If possible, could you please provide your feedback by COB **6 June 2024**.

Please let me know if there is anything I can do to assist.

Ngā mihi

Ross

MfE Listed Projects Team

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