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From: Meredith Lawry S 9(2)(a)
Sent: Thursday, 20 June 2024 12:01 pm
To: Listed Projects
Cc: Neil Deans [EXTERNAL] (DOC)
Subject: RE: [COMMERCIAL]Feedback on FTA141 - Waitaia Access

Kia ora,

We don't know of a reason why this project would be ineligible, however a few points that are relevant to the application:

DOC would need to approve

- any changes to freshwater systems at Woodcock Stream including the fish passage and any potential new fish barriers
- the Wildlife Act 1953 Authority to relocate lizards, frogs and bird species during vegetation removal
 - The Concessionaire must check the Easement land for nesting birds, kiwi burrows or herpetofauna before removing any vegetation or undertaking approved construction works. If any birds are found the Concessionaire, at its cost, must arrange a Department of Conservation employee or qualified ecologist to relocate the wildlife to sites approved by the Grantor.
 - Prior to the establishment works, the concessionaire, at its cost, must arrange a qualified ecologist to undertake a lizard salvage programme to relocate lizards to sites approved by the Grantor. All consents/permits relating to the transfer of lizards under the Wildlife Act 1953 and Conservation Act 1987 must be obtained by the Concessionaire.

Ngāti Hei has a Statutory Acknowledgement over the rivers, streams and their tributaries in the Whitianga Harbour catchment area. We would strongly recommend that the applicant consult again with iwi.

DOC has concerns about the potential impact this project could have on species living in the area, particularly kiwi, lizards and frogs.

Up to 8,490m² of regenerating native vegetation may be required to be removed including 11 kauri trees. The regeneration period of the forest is 65 years. Any earthworks will need to comply with the National PA Pest Management Plan (to control kauri dieback).

Thanks,
Meredith

From: Listed Projects <ListedProjects@mfe.govt.nz>
Sent: Monday, June 17, 2024 11:55 AM
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Subject: [COMMERCIAL]Feedback on FTA141 - Waitaia Access

Kia ora Neil and Meredith

This listed project application is for FTA141 - Waitaia Access

The project has triggered your criteria for consultation.

Could you please provide comment on:

- whether the project requires any other 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 20 June 2024

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

Ngā mihi nui

MfE Listed Projects team



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