## **Jacob Paget**

From: Neil Deans S 9(2)(a)

Sent: Friday, 21 June 2024 11:22 am

To: Listed Projects; Stephanie McNicholl

**Cc:** Meredith Lawry; Alice Heather; Rachael Mora

Subject: FW: [IN-CONFIDENCE]Feedback on FTA315 - Lower North Island Integrated Rail Mobility

(LNIRIM) and PBC stage RS4.3 Project

Kia ora e Steph

Apologies for the delay with this one, due to some capacity issues. Our local office advice follows in the next email.

We have assumed the activities are confined to the rail corridor, so no public conservation land is involved. However this is not entirely clear from the material provided. Some adjacent parcels of public conservation land have been identified. Accordingly there would be no grounds for ineligibility relating to conservation land in relation to that land's protected status.

It is possible Wildlife Act and Freshwater Fisheries approvals may be required in some locations, but again not possible to establish with the information provided and due to the application's extensive linear nature.

Treaty settlements pertaining have been advised below, but no engagement has occurred.

Regards

**Neil Deans** 

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From: Rachael Mora S 9(2)(a)
Sent: Friday, June 21, 2024 11:04 AM
To: Neil Deans S 9(2)(a)

Subject: FW: [IN-CONFIDENCE]Feedback on FTA315 - Lower North Island Integrated Rail Mobility (LNIRIM) and PBC

stage RS4.3 Project

Kia ora Neil

See response below. Apologies for the delay in getting this to you.

Ngā mihi

Rachael

## FTA315 - Lower North Island Integrated Rail Mobility (LNIRIM) and PBC stage RS4.3 Project

We need to know what, if any, PCL is directly affected by the project and the status of that land, to confirm it is not ineligible.

"NZRC/KiwiRail has an existing legal interest in the full linear extent of the project corridor, with the exception of the proposed Melling Line extension and the proposed passing loop near the Remutaka tunnel. Most interventions will be undertaken within the rail designation, though several may require corridor widening."

- No PCL affected where works are within the rail corridor
- Proposed Melling Line extension from Melling Link to Manor Park, adjacent SH2
  - Local Purpose (Soil Conservation and River Control) Reserve (situated off State Highway 2, Manor Park, Hutt City)
    - Reserves Act 1977
    - Local Purpose Reserve
- Proposed Remutaka passing loop
  - o Remutaka Forest Park
- Areas where the corridor is proposed to be widened have not been identified. However there are a number of areas of PCL immediately adjacent to the corridor which may be affected.

It helps to know if there are any wildlife, freshwater fisheries or land access permissions for mining which may require DOC approvals.

- Wildlife Act Permit
  - o Lizard management for terrestrial construction
  - o Penguin management where construction is coastal adjacent
- Fish passage guidelines where construction is fresh water adjacent
- Approval by Senior Heritage Advisor for ground disturbance within 200m of Archaeological sites. There are numerous archaeological sites and 200m buffer zones in proximity to the corridor.

We also need to know if there are any Treaty settlements which may be affected that we can advise to MfE.

Treaty settlements which may be affected dependant of the scope of the work:

Port Nicholson Block (Taranaki Whanui ki Te Upoko o Te Ika) Claims Settlement Act Ngāti Toa Ngati Toa Rangatira Claims Settlement Act Ngāti Kahungunu ki Wairarapa Tāmaki nui-a-Rua Claims Settlement Act Rangitāne Tū Mai Rā Claims Settlement Act Rangitāne o Manawatu Claims Settlement Act

From: Neil Deans S 9(2)(a)

Sent: Monday, June 17, 2024 8:53 AM

To: Rachael Mora S 9(2)(a)

Cc: Meredith Lawry 9(2)(a); Alice Heather 9(2)(a)

Subject: FW: [IN-CONFIDENCE]Feedback on FTA315 - Lower North Island Integrated Rail Mobility (LNIRIM) and PBC

stage RS4.3 Project

Hi Rachael

I tried to call you just now but hope you can get on to this one today. Please confirm receipt as I didn't get hold of you this morning.

I would appreciate if one of your team could have a look at this for eligibility for Fast Track consenting. Note this is confidential.

In summary, we need to know what, if any, PCL is directly affected by the project and the status of that land, to confirm it is not ineligible for Fast Track consideration.

It helps to know if there are any wildlife, freshwater fisheries or land access permissions for mining which may require DOC approvals.

We also need to know if there are any Treaty settlements which may be affected that we can advise to MfE.

Can you please provide your summary advice by noon on Wednesday 19 June.

Many thanks

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Sent: Monday, June 17, 2024 8:35 AM

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; Anna Galvin **s 9(2)(a)** 

**Subject:** [IN-CONFIDENCE]Feedback on FTA315 - Lower North Island Integrated Rail Mobility (LNIRIM) and PBC stage RS4.3 Project

Kia ora Neil and Meredith

This listed project application is for FTA 315 – Lower North Island Integrated Rail Mobility (LNIRIM) and PBC stage RS4.3 Project.

Could you please provide comment on:

- whether the project requires any 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 Wednesday 19 June 2024 at the latest.

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

Ngā mihi Steph

Stephanie McNicholl (she/her)

Ngāpuhi, Ngāi Te Rangi, Ngāti Ranginui

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