



**Te Rūnanga o
Toa Rangatira**

27 August 2020

Hon David Parker
Minister for the Environment

Tēnā koe

Support for joint application for referral of matters to be heard by an independent panel under the Covid-19 Recovery (Fast Track Consenting) Act 2020.

As a strategic partner of Kāinga Ora and Porirua City Council in the Eastern Porirua Regeneration Project, Te Rūnanga o Toa Rangatira support this joint application seeking a referral to an independent Panel (administered by the EPA) for consideration of the following resource consent application(s).

- ⇒ Wastewater Trunkline works in Bothamley Park;
- ⇒ The Cannons Creek wetland; and
- ⇒ A new water supply reservoir.

Both Kāinga Ora and Porirua City Council have committed to work in partnership with Ngāti Toa Rangatira to ensure any potential adverse effects on our cultural values are avoided or mitigated appropriately. This will be done through Te Rūnanga o Toa Rangatira being co-design partners and ensuring that the actual and perceived effects on our cultural values are fully considered.

We have been working closely with Kāinga Ora in the development of this program, and look forward to continuing this constructive and positive working relationship. The replacement and upgrade of this infrastructure will lead to positive environmental and cultural benefits to water quality (amongst other benefits). We have been advocating for this over a long period of time. We encourage you to give full consideration to the benefits of this application, and grant this request for a referral.

Nāku iti nei

Taku Parai

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