
MINUTE 4 OF THE EXPERT PANEL
Request for further information
Southern Link Inland Port FTAA-2604-1207
17 July 2026

[1] The Panel requests from the Applicant, under section 67 of the FTAA, the following information:

- (a) In relation to the Integrated Transport Assessment¹ the author is requested to:
 - (i) Describe the source data and methodology used to derive the forecast heavy vehicle movements outlined in the ITA (Section 7.2.3) that result in the expected changes in truck volumes in Table 7-5. This includes heavy vehicle trips arising from the import and export operations, warehousing activities, and container servicing facility. The forecast predictions should reflect the full development (at Stage 3). Describe the confidence in those transport predictions.
 - (ii) Provide commentary on how the future receiving environment has been considered, particularly growth allowed for in the Mosgiel area and how the SLIP interacts, from a transportation perspective, with that growth.
 - (iii) Provide an assessment of the SLIP against the relevant matters of discretion associated the Dunedin District Plan 2GP (Rule

¹ Santec NZ Southern Link Inland Port Integrated Transport Assessment, 15 April 2026 [[Part-B.12-Stantec-Integrated-Transport-Assessment-April.pdf](#)]

6.11.2.2²) i.e. effects on the safety and efficiency of the transport network, and effects on accessibility. Specifically, provide the assessment demonstrating the expected change in efficiency and safety on SH87 through central Mosgiel, the SH87/Dukes Road North intersection, the proposed access intersection, and any other parts of the transport network where the increase in vehicle traffic is material because of the SLIP development.

- (iv) Provide a full schedule of any mitigations proposed to mitigate any material negative transport effects of the SLIP.
- (b) In relation to the Economic Assessment³, the author is requested to revisit the conclusions regarding costs and disbenefits in section 9.2.2 in light of that information and advise if there is any change to the conclusions reached.

[2] The Panel requests that Dunedin City Council and the NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi (NZTA) as parties invited to comment under s53(2) and (3) respectively, consider the information or response from the applicant and respond accordingly as part of their comments on the application.

[3] We may direct conferencing on these matters following the receipt of the Applicant's s55(2) response to invited comments.

[4] In accordance with section 67(2) of the Act the Applicant must:

- (a) Provide electronic copies of the information or report requested; or
- (b) Advise the EPA, with reasons that you decline to provide the information or report requested.

[5] The Applicant is to provide the further information to the EPA at

² Assessment Matters

³ Savvy Consulting Southern Link Inland Port, Economic Assessment, April 2026 [[Part 1](#), [Part 2](#) & [Part 3](#)]

info@fasttrack.govt.nz by **31 July 2026** and any response from Dunedin City Council and NZTA, by **12 August 2026**.

[6] If the information requested is not received, the Panel must proceed as if the request for further information has been declined.

[7] Please note, the information will be provided to the Panel, the applicant and every person who provided comments on the application. The information will also be made available on the Fast-track website.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'C.R. Robinson', with a long, flowing horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Cindy Robinson
Expert Panel Chair