

Project: Pre-Lodgement Referral Consultation - Rogerson Block with DOC

Date: 12 June 2025

Time: 1.00 pm – 2.00 pm

Location: Teams Meeting

Attendees:

Name	Role/Organisation
Sam Le Heron	Barker & Associates
Stella Quigley	Barker & Associates
David Greaves	Consultant Planner (DOC)
Chad Croft	Ecological Solutions (Project Ecologist)
Andrew Styche	Department of Conservation (DOC)

Item	Detail	Action
1	SL: Context of project - Covered the context and background information on Rogerson Block project. - Residential and industrial use - Specialist engagement for referral of application. - Acknowledges progress made pre-lodgement and continued requirement for input.	
2	SL: Local site context - Local site context - Adjacent to proposed listed site SL1 Stage 1 Industrial – listed project and contiguous. - SL1 Stage 1 residential area further east, but within SL1 Growth Cell and broader proximity to site.	
3	SL: Masterplan - Density intended to be med – high. - Industrial land carefully planned to balance outcomes and relationships between residential and industrial areas. - Types of activities are varied - Staging a. 4 stages (2 residential, 2 industrial)	
4	SL: Ecological considerations	

	• Outlined ecological components. E.g., copper skink lizard, long tail bats, black mud fish, landform all part of wider consideration as part of a substantive application • Wildlife Act authority anticipated for Copper Skink Lizard AS/DOC: highlighted the approach to ecological management should be kept consistent where possible in the wider Waikato context.	
5	Ecological concerns • Primarily focused on Copper Skink Lizards, and other matters above. • AS/DOC acknowledge the area is relatively low risk in terms of ecological concerns	
6	Fish Species • AS: there is potential for other fish species (as well as black mud fish). • AS: Due to fish passages being protected a fish management plan may be required to identify how to manage fish if they are in the area. • AS: This can be completed through a survey. • AS: Fish are a protected species so how will their movement be managed during earthworks?	
7	Copper skinks • AS: Copper skinks are considered in closer proximity than what may be highlighted in draft specialist report. • AS: consultation on where copper skinks would be relocated will be required. • AS: Wildlife Act to address copper skinks	
8	Long tail bats • AS: Bats are dispersed across Hamilton. The risk of bats is low, but not zero.	
9	Collective application • Broader recognition of only applying for a WAA where it is considered relevant. Part of further consideration with DOC as part of a substantive.	
11	Protective measures • CC: Application for Wildlife Act authority and amendments has new wording regarding expectations for demonstrating protective measures. • Insight into specifics that would be required. • Avoidance, mitigation, offsets.	

	• AS used the example of managing birds (kingfish) nesting in trees. How would you address this through the various acts such as RMA, Wildlife Act, etc. • AS: Waiwhakareke has a proposed (subject to funding) predator free fence, this is a potential location for relocating the lizards and would ensure greater protection than current measures that are in place. However, this fence is proposed and therefore a potential alternative. • AS: Hamilton Zoo is an alternative option for a place for relocation of lizards providing Waiwhakareke fence is not complete or does not go ahead. Compensation to Hamilton Zoo. • AS: The application must outline where the lizards will be placed and ensure they are relocated, protected and the population is not compromised. This would be addressed specifically as part of a Substantive Application and a Lizard Management Plan. • AS: The after-release care of the species may be more of a priority than the long term monitoring of the species. As well as greater emphasis on protection of the site where the species is released	
12	Next steps in referral space • DG: DOC will provide feedback following the meeting on what they would like to see in the substantive application. • Timeframe for DOC feedback is next week (Week starting 16/06/25). • Iwi consultation outlined and acknowledged it is ongoing as part of the next phase of the Fast-Track project.	