

Invitation to Ministers to provide written comments on a referral application under the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024

You have been invited under section 17(1) of the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024 (the Act) to provide written comments to the Minister for Infrastructure (the Minister) on an application to refer a project to the fast-track process.

To comment on the project application, please either use this template, or send a letter to the Minister for Infrastructure. Please mark in the subject line: "Comments on [Name] project Fast-track Application from Minister (of/for Portfolio)."

Comments are due 20 working days following your receipt of this request.

Before the due date, for assistance on how to access application documents in the portal, please email contact@fasttrack.govt.nz or phone 0800 FASTRK (0800 327 875).

Written comments must be received by the Minister for Infrastructure, no later than the due date.

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Your written comments on a project under the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024

Project name	Tekapo Power Scheme FTAA-2503-1035
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All sections of this form with an asterisk (*) must be completed.

1. Contact Details			
Please ensure that you have authority to comment on the application on behalf of those named on this form.			
*Portfolio	Minister of Climate Change		
*First name	Rebecca		
*Last name	Clements		
Contact person (if different from above)			
*Contact phone number		Alternative	
*Email	Rebecca.Clements@mfe.govt.nz		

2. Officials advise you provide a comment on this application for referral
From a preliminary review, officials consider that you may like to provide a comment on the climate mitigation and adaptation aspect of the application. Appendix 1 contains supplementary advice.

3. If recommended, please provide your comments on this application
The Minister of Climate Change supports this application because it may provide significant climate change mitigation benefits

Minister's signoff



Hon Minister Watts

Minister of Climate Change

Date

24 AUG 2025