Before the Fast-track Panel Convener

FTAA-2505-1055

Under	the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024 (FTAA)
And	
In the Matter	of an application for resource consents and a wildlife authority by Rangitoopuni Developments Limited Partnership — Rangitoopuni proposed countryside living subdivision and retirement village

Confirmation of Compliance with Code of Conduct and details of Qualifications and Experience

Heather Lyons on behalf of Rangitoopuni Developments Limited Partnership

Dated 27 August 2025

Introduction

- My full name is Heather Yvonne Lyons. I am a Principal Engineering Geologist at ENGEO Limited. I hold the qualifications of a Bachelor of Science (BSc Geology, 2005) and Postgraduate Diploma in Science (PGDipSci Geology, 2006) from the University of Auckland. I am a Professional Engineering Geologist (PEngGeol) and a member of Engineering New Zealand.
- 2. I have 18 years' experience as an engineering geologist. I have been an engineering geologist for many residential subdivisions across Auckland over the last 18 years. I have national and international experience across a wide range of geological settings and project types. I am a land instability specialist, and in addition to supporting residential land development I have extensive experience in hazard identification, risk assessment and mitigation. I have supported private parties, Auckland Council, Waka Kotahi and KiwiRail in managing landslide risk to their assets.
- 3. In support of this fast-track application by Rangitoopuni Developments
 Limited Partnership, I have reviewed the following material lodged in
 support of the application:
 - a. Report titled Geotechnical Investigation Report, Stage 1A, Old North Road, Riverhead. Reference 20190.000.001_15 dated 16 April 2025 included as Appendix [H-H.23] to the Rangitoopuni Assessment of Environmental Effects.
 - b. Report titled Geotechnical Investigation Report, Stage 1B, Old North Road, Riverhead. Reference 20190.000.001_16 dated 16 April 2025 included as Appendix [H-H.23] to the Rangitoopuni Assessment of Environmental Effects.
 - c. Report titled Groundwater Abstraction: Desktop Study, Forestry Road, Riverhead. Reference 20190.000.001_18 Rev.1 dated 01 May

2025 included as Appendix [Y] to the Rangitoopuni Assessment of Environmental Effects.

Code of Conduct

- 4. Although this is not a hearing before the Environment Court, I confirm that:
 - a. I have read and am familiar with the Environment Court's Code of Conduct for Expert Witnesses as specified in the Environment Court's Practice Note 2023 (Code); and
 - b. The reports referred to above reviewed by me:
 - i. Are within my area of expertise (except where I state that I rely upon the technical reports of other expert witnesses provided in support of the application);
 - ii. Have been prepared in accordance with the Code; and
 - iii. I have not omitted to consider any material facts known to me that might alter or detract from the opinions expressed.

Heather Lyons

27 August 2025