

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 Rangitootuni Developments Limited Partnership – Rangitootuni proposed countryside living subdivision and retirement village

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

Laura Ellen Drummond on behalf of Rangitootuni Developments Limited Partnership

Dated 25 August 2025

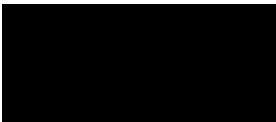
Introduction

1. My full name is Laura Ellen Drummond. I am a Senior Freshwater and Coastal Ecologist. I hold a Bachelor of Science in Zoology from the University of Otago and a Master of Science in Marine Science from the University of Auckland. I am a member of the New Zealand Freshwater Society and the Environmental Institute of Australia and New Zealand
2. I have five years' experience as a freshwater and coastal ecologist. I have worked in Bioresarches Auckland and Christchurch office, where I am the Senior Freshwater and Coastal Ecologist for the South Island.
3. I have provided Ecological Impact Assessments and Ecological Management for a range of projects including:
 - a. Maramarua M1 expansion for BT Mining Limited (2022)
 - b. 224 Neilson Street industrial development for Argosy (2023)
 - c. State Highway 16 Bringham to Waimauku ecological management (2023 – present)
 - d. Awakeri Wetlands Stage 2 and Stage 3 on behalf of Auckland Council Healthy Waters (2025)
 - e. Healthy Water Urgent Reactive works for culvert remediation and fish passage throughout Auckland of Auckland Council Healthy Waters (2024)
 - f. Assisted in the freshwater preparation of Brookby Quarry Stage 3 Covid-19 Fast track (2024), including the freshwater biodiversity and compensation package.
4. In support of this fast-track application by Rangitoopuni Developments Limited Partnership, I have prepared the following material lodged in support of the application:

- a. Report titled Rangitooopuni Ecological Impact Assessment dated 1st May 2025 included as Appendix F to the Rangitooopuni Assessment of Environmental Effects.
- b. Management Plan titled Rangitooopuni Ecological Management Plan dated 23 July 2025 included as Appendix F.1 to the Rangitooopuni Assessment of Environmental Effects.

Code of Conduct

- 5. 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 authored 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.



Laura Ellen Drummond

25 August 2025