

Agenda For Panel Facilitated Conference
Central and Southern Block Mining Project [FTAA-2512-1153]
22-23 July 2026 at Distinction Hotel, Hamilton at 9.00am

Issue	Relevant Conditions / Reports	Party Comments	Changes Requested
Day 1 – Wednesday 22 July 2026			
1. Lake Level and Stream Flow Management – (Water Take)	- Conditions 4-6 of 142035.02.01 (Wainui residual flow below dam 10 l/s, monitoring and response). - Condition 7 of 142035.03.01 (residual flow of 24 l/s through fish pass @ RL 9.3 behind the dam. - Conditions 7 to 10 of 142035.05.01 (cease take @ RL 8.5 m (Lake Taharoa) , baseline/5 yearly monitoring of health/extent of raupō/flax wetlands on lake margin, RL 9.6 m trigger to reduce take, monitor for 30 days, and review LWMP if there are adverse effects. - Conditions 1-4 of 142035.14.01 (base summer flow in Mitiwai stream maintained at 28 l/s through augmentation (linked to mining in Pit 3), with associated water quality monitoring . - LLW-WMP / NIWBMP (NB Ngaati Mahuta ki te Hauaaauru opposed to Mitiwai augmentation).	WRC – Sung Soo Koh report and section 9.2. (NB: Koh report recommends conditions for salinity monitoring as well, for “detailed discussion, as does DoC (Aqualinc , page 21)).	- Amend triggers for Wainui residual flow (10 l/s and through fish pass @ 24 l/s) to require pumping before weir flows drop below respective minimums (9.36/ 9.3 m, per table 11, Appendix I), e.g. @ RL 10 m. <i>[Note: refer Applicant’s response to comments, revised condition 7 of 142035.03.01, trigger at RL 9.45m]</i> - Adopt all 3 triggers for Mitiwai Stream flow augmentation (Table 10 of Appendix N). - Amend conditions of 142035.14.01 to clarify augmentation point, extend summer period over which augmentation requirement applies, to cover annual low flow lag behind low rainfall period . (see specific wording, section 9.2) <i>[Note: refer Applicant’s response to comments, revised condition 2 of 142035.14.01 , new electrical conductivity limit]</i>
		Te Nehenehenui	- Apply (RL 9.6 m equivalent) trigger for the other lakes, with 2 yearly reviews. - Require notification to Council @ RL 9/ 9.6 m, and specify required reductions in take volume (rather than “reduce as far as practicable”). - Set timeframe for ecologist to be engaged if lake level drops below RL 9.6 (<i>Note, refer Applicant’s response to comments, revised condition 10 b of 142035.05.01</i>) - Peer review trigger level for minimum flow for Mitiwai Stream with a buffer which must be maintained at all times, set appropriate water quality limits to be monitored and reported on.
		DoC (sections 4,7, Appendices A and B, Appendix G).	- Ensure augmentation water is treated to remove contaminants (4.20). - Apply all three triggers for Mitiwai augmentation (not just 28 l/s) (Appendix A, page 18). - Review appropriateness of 8.53 m cease take trigger for Lake Taharoa (Appendix A, page 18). - Amend conditions to include mandatory response actions, defined timeframes and bottom lines that require activities to be ceased/relocated (Appendix G) . - Amend language of conditions to be more directive e.g. “as soon as practicable” “identify measures” should be replaced/ defined (Appendix G) . - Minimum flow in Wainui Stream should be consistent with Regional Plan (as with Mitiwai) (Appendix B, 4.3.3.1) . - Require cessation of take (in 142035.05.01) where it would contribute to breaching fish pass minimum flow (Appendix B, p 18). - Various amendments to 142035.14.01 re monitoring (eg during all central mine dewatering) , sampling locations, maximum drawdown allowed, only one pit mined at a time (Appendix B p 20, 4.1.8).
Wetland Effects; Groundwater Drawdown and Monitoring/ Response <i>[NB, see RFI for additional conditions needed for wetland response in 16.01].</i>	Conditions 8-10 of 142035.05.01 (baseline/5 yearly monitoring of health/extent of raupō/flax wetlands on lake margin, RL 9.6 triggers to reduce take, monitor for 30 days, and review LWMP if there are “adverse effects).	WRC – Morrison/ Koh and Section 9.3	30 m buffer width for wetlands not justified (as to ecology), Condition 7 of 142035.01.01 needs to be amended to cover all wetlands and the offset site; new condition 11 requiring fencing of livestock from wetlands/riparian margins . - Baseline/ monitoring (for seasonal lows) should cover each wetland, not just the 4 sites/ groups (see Appendix C, page 3) . 5 yearly monitoring of wetland extent/ health (Lake Taharoa margin) should be annual and cover all wetlands within the consented area and the offset site, not just raupō and flax wetlands on the wetland margin (see Appendix C, page 3).

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Wetland Effects; Groundwater Drawdown and Monitoring/ Response ctd	- Conditions 5-6 of 142035.16.01 (baseline monitoring of lowest and mean seasonal water level in wetlands, maintenance of that level). - Sections 2.4-2.5 of draft NIWBMP (wetland extent/ health Taharoa lake margin wetlands – 12 monitoring sites). - Sections 3.2-3.4 of NIWBMP (4 monitoring sites, trigger levels based on seasonal lows and response if exceeded for more than 14 days). - Condition 7 of 142035.01.01 (wetland buffers). - Condition 16 (a) of Schedule One (lake margin wetland extent/health monitoring methods in NIWBMP).		- Full 12-month baseline monitoring required to obtain baseline values for water level monitoring triggers (Appendix C, page 5) - Adverse effects need to be defined for purpose of condition 10(c) of 142035.05.01. (see specific amendments at section 9.3).
		Te Nehenehenui	Details of proposed wetland augmentation to maintain seasonal lows above baseline need reference in enforceable conditions, with larger setback buffers to minimise hydrological effects.
		Ngaati Mahuta ki te Hauaauru	100m buffer for Mitiwai Stream 100m setback for Mitiwai Stream and wetlands
		DoC – Section 7, Appendices A, B, C, Appendix G	- Apply two tier trigger system for wetland monitoring/ response (10th percentile alert, 5th percentile alarm) with triggers adopted from long term calibrated water balance model and applying continuous/ telemetry monitoring (<i>noting if seasonal lows are set in a drought year, trigger may be too low and 14-day period too long to respond- see Appendix A pgs 16/19, Appendix B pg 18</i>). - Provide clearer responses in event drawdown triggers are exceeded including ceasing or relocating mining activities near wetlands (section 7). - Set ceasing mining activity as first priority response if trigger level exceeded, water pumping into wetlands may be ineffective / raises water quality issues (Appendix A, pg 17). - Merge LL-WMP/ NIWBMP (Appendix A, p 18). - Amend LL-WMP/NIWBMP to correct reference to lake being below RL 9.6 for 30 working days before remedial action is taken (sections 7 and 2.3) (Appendix A, page 19). <i>Note : refer Applicant's response to comments, condition 10 of 142035.05.01 amended to reinstate reference to continuous 30 day period]</i> - Require monitoring and survey of every wetland, augmentation when water level falls below lowest seasonal levels (Appendix B, re 142035.16.01). - Amend NIWBMP to include enforceable, outcome focused performance requirements to demonstrate wetland protection, with measurable targets for buffer vegetation structure, canopy development, species composition etc with specific timeframes. 30 m buffer may be inadequate, buffers should be designed to site specific conditions/ ecological function. - Require early acting wetland specific ecological indicators to detect early functional decline, including changes in wetland extent, loss of obligate wetland vegetation, and degradation of permanently saturated soil zones, to ensure ecological change is identified before irreversible loss occurs (given limitations of rewatering to replicate natural groundwater-fed processes, avoidance of impact preferred) (Refer Appendix C). NB: While no specific conditions are proposed; Dr Burns (Appendix D) recommends baseline and regular bittern population surveys , and reiterates need to ensure clean augmentation water <i>Note also: refer Applicant's response to comments -additional and revised conditions of 142035.16.01- additional baseline monitoring and salinity / water quality controls and monitoring for wetland augmentation.</i>
Fish Passage	Conditions 2-5 of 142035.03.01 (fish pass operation, effectiveness, monitoring and maintenance) Condition 15 of 142035.05.01 (intake screening at 12 mm).	WRC – Smith, and section 9.4	Amend condition 15 (142035.05.01) to require intake screening to be reduced to 1.5 mm with 12 months; with plans for the upgrade certified (new proposed condition 17), to meet WRP requirements for Significant Indigenous Fisheries and Fish Habitat class stream.
		Te Nehenehenui	Reduce mesh screen size required by condition 15 to 1.5 mm.
		Ngaati Mahuta ki te Hauaauru	Conditions must require effective fish passage performance standards, monitoring to confirm passage success for taonga species, enforceable triggers to reduce or cease water take where thresholds are not met.
		DoC (Binks, 4.20)	Ensure screens have maximum size of 1.5 mm.

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Effects on birds within wetlands, grassland/ shrubland	Schedule 1 – Conditions 31 et seq	WRC – Morrison, section 9.3	- Wetland removal should only occur outside peak breeding seasons, with searches by ecologists prior to removal at other times . 30 m buffer around detected nests should be increased. - Accidental discovery protocol should cover more than pipit/ dotterel (i.e. all native wetland bird species). <i>Note, refer Applicant’s response to comments, revised condition 32 of Schedule 1.</i>
Discharges	General	Te Nehenehenui	Impose numerical limits in preference to management plan approach.
	Conditions 2-3 of 142035.06.01 Conditions 2-4 of 142035.07.01 Permit 142035.08.01	DoC (Appendix B)	- Requirement to store and use contaminants in sealed areas. - Prevent discharge above sensitive environments. - Require land to be recontoured to mitigate risk of long term changes to hydraulic gradient.
	Permit 142035.15.01 (discharge in dredge ponds).	Appendix B (see pages 20-)	- Require incidental/accidental contamination to be prevented/mitigated . - Prohibit activity upgradient of sensitive environments. - Specify maximum rates/volumes / change to groundwater level.
Day 2 – Thursday 23 July 2026			
Rehabilitation/ Stabilisation	Schedule 1 – Conditions 20-21. Condition 9 of 142035.01.01 (Priority Stabilisation Area/PSA). (See also conditions 11-13 of 142035.01.01 imposed by Hearings Panel, and Attachment 7 to Wetini comments – 69.3 ha required under existing consents).	WRC – Stacey report and section 9.1	- Increase priority stabilisation area (PSA) to 200 m, sand mining completed within 12 months within the PSA with no further mining; permanently rehabilitated within 24 months. - Staged works and progressive rehabilitation to minimise exposed areas at any one time, clear stabilisation/rehabilitation timeframes. <i>[Note: refer Applicant’s response to comments, revised condition 9 of 142035.01.01]</i>
	Appendix S – Section 6.1, 6.3. (Note, link to mine staging plan and ecology – see draft RFI).	Te Nehenehenui	Prescribe fixed timeframes, measurable standards, quantified rehabilitation targets, or independent auditing requirements; scale bond to incentivise completion.
		Ngaati Mahuta ki te Hauaaauru	Include minimum annual rehabilitation targets/measurable performance standards, time-based milestones, independent verification of outcomes, meaningful involvement of mana whenua in development of Site Rehabilitation Plan/ Site Closure Plan.
		Roy Wetini Trust	200 m stabilisation area on boundary, reinstate ridgeline. ‘Make up’ rehabilitation to address deficit especially within 200 m PSA/setback, 10 hectares rehabilitation planting per year .
Discharges to air	Conditions 8-16 of 142035.01 (land use consent) Schedule 1, condition 18 (dust management plan) and condition 42 (online monitoring data). Appendix S of Substantive App. Attachment J of Applicant’s response: 1-yr mining consent for 100 m Priority Stabilisation Area (PSA) adjacent to closest residences with stabilisation of any exposed surfaces within 3 months of completion (on request from Ngaati Mahuta) - Continuous PM₁₀ monitoring at six locations, including upwind and downwind. Reference method PM₁₀ monitoring at Taharoa Kura within 6 months of grant of consent.	WRC – Appendix A Stacey report and section 9.1	- Replace TSP monitoring with PM₁₀ monitoring. At least one NESAQ compliant PM₁₀ monitoring (preferably at Taharoa Kura) with requirement for monitoring data to be publicly available. Consent conditions with plan of monitoring locations, relocate monitor to inform effects at Old Kana homestead (R4). - Consent conditions requiring monitoring performance specifications (maintenance, data validation, calibration, investigation of exceedances, etc.) in EMP with enhanced requirements (staging, timeframes, contingency, etc) for activities within 200 m of Old Kana homestead. - Retain ridgeline along northern boundary. - Increase from 100 m to 200 m Priority Stabilisation Area. Prohibition on further mining within PSA after 12 months, permanent rehabilitation within 24 months, ongoing maintenance to minimise dust effects on neighbours. - Staged works and progressive rehabilitation requirements to minimise extent of exposed and unstabilised surfaces at any one time. Clear stabilisation and rehabilitation timeframes for exposed areas. - Investigation and reporting requirements following dust complaints, certification, implementation & ongoing review of dust management in EMP.

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Discharges to air ctd	PM₁₀ concentrations “as a result of mining operations” not to exceed NESAQ. (NB: linked to rehabilitation above)		- Suggested windspeed, wind direction and PM₁₀ trigger levels: 55 µg/m³ PM₁₀ as 1-hr average (immediate investigation & dust mitigation measures) 65 µg/m³ PM₁₀ as 1-hr average (stop works (dust generating activities)) - Automated alerts and contingency response procedures where trigger levels exceeded. Procedures for managing adverse met, investigating & responding to trigger level exceedances. <i>[[Note: refer Applicant’s response to comments, revised and additional conditions of 142035.01.01]</i>
		Ngaati Mahuta ki te Hauaauru (2024 RMA Hearing Panel Decision be applied in full)	- Defined, enforceable rehabilitation and closure conditions; time-bound milestones, independent verification of rehabilitation outcomes. - Pine tree buffer, no mining to boundaries (RMA Panel: 200 m buffer around entire site to reduce dust)
		Te Nehenehenui (2024 RMA Hearing Panel Decision be applied in full)	- Continual, progressive, staged rehabilitation with independent auditing. (RMA Panel: 200 m buffer around entire site to reduce dust)
		Roy Wetini Trust (2024 RMA Hearing Panel Decision be applied in full)	- Raised issues re enforcement and compliance, dust & noise issues, erosion and sand encroachment - Pine tree buffer, no mining to boundaries (RMA Panel: 200 m buffer around entire site to reduce dust) - Reinstate ridgeline and ‘make-up’ rehabilitation (see rehabilitation section)
Coastal sedimentation	Conditions 4-6 of 142035.12.01, Conditions 6-8 of 142035.13.01	WRC (Townsend, section 9.5)	Include requirement for monitoring programme with 3 yearly sampling at 250m, 500m, 1km, 2km and 4km north and south of discharge point; and if data show a trend to increased muddiness, a further of ecological effects is required .
Marine mammals	Conditions 7-8 of 142035.12.01	Te Nehenehenui	Impose conditions to require marine mammal sighting/marine mammal observers, strike incident reporting etc, and underwater noise monitoring (NB refer Appendix GG, Table 3).
		Marokopa	Do not allow increase to 35 loading events per year without Māui dolphin specific monitoring and adaptive management plan including acoustic monitoring, vessel speed restrictions, suspension of ship loading.
Archaeology	Archaeological Authority (AA) and Archaeological Management Plan(AMP)	Ngaati Mahuta ki te Hauaauru	Ensure that references to Ngati Mahuta or iwi etc are to “either Aaruka or Kooraha Marae”
	AA at condition 1 and potentially other references to “nominated kaumatua”	Te Nehenehenui	Requested minimum 20 m buffer & other specs noting unresolved process and disagreement with mana whenua regarding process and representation)
	AMP in Māori Cultural Values section, nominee details and Taharoa Mine Site H&S nominated persons Condition 2(f) of 142035.01.01 Urupa buffer Discovery buffer	Ngaati Mahuta ki te Hauaauru	- Urupa and wahi tapu buffer to be 50m, not 20m - Discovery buffer to be 20m, not 10m
Mana whenua engagement/ statutory acknowledgement	Additional conditions suggested on mana whenua engagement Current conditions: Permit 142035.03.01 Conditions 4 and 8 re fish pass and WSEP Schedule 1 Conditions 15 re EMP and 38 re annual review and 44 re annual monitoring report and online data re Condition 42	Ngaati Mahuta ki te Hauaauru	As detailed in Comments at page 15 re Marae Led Committee and establishment of a Kaitiaki Monetary Fund
		Te Nehenehenui	Clarification on the statutory acknowledgement area – TIL says Wainui Stream not included.

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Bond Condition	Schedule 1: General Conditions 46 - 60	Roy Wetini Trust Ngaati Mahuta ki te Hauaauru Te Nehenehenui	- Transferring responsibility would give no financial incentive to TIL to complete rehabilitation works and would place significant financial risk on Taharoa C; and - The bond conditions do not take into account the ‘significant rehabilitation deficit’ that exists. - Consider that the rehabilitation bond needs to be set at a scale that incentivises the applicant to complete progressive rehabilitation.
Not covered; Offset (Morrison/ Maseyk) – subject to further discussions between DoC and TIL			

No.	Consent/Permit	Digital Page No. (Attachment O)
01	Land Use Consent: Land Disturbance	2
02	Water Permit: Dam	7
03	Water Permit: Diversion	10
05	Water Permit: Surface Water Take	14
06	Discharge Permit: Discharge to Water (s/w etc. to Wainui St.)	18
07	Discharge Permit: Discharge to Land (process water etc.)	20
08	Discharge Permit: Discharge to Land (overburden and tailings)	22
09	Coastal Permit: Structure - Occupation etc. (pipelines)	24
11	Coastal Permit: Structure - Occupation etc. (buoy)	27
12	Coastal Permit: Discharge to Water (ship loading)	30
13	Coastal Permit: Discharge to Water (process and s/w)	33
14	Water Permit: Diversion & Surface Water Take (g/w from pond)	36
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17	Land Use Consent: Land Disturbance (forestry)	46
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