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Comment from the Ngati Koata Trust

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Please find attached a comment from the Ngāti Koata Trust on the above application.

In the matter of the Fast Track Approvals Act 2024

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The Ngāti Koata Trust is the post-settlement governance entity for the iwi of Ngāti Koata. The iwi has been involved in this application and previous resource consent and plan change matters associated with the proposal for an extended period. Most of the matters which have been raised by the Ngāti Koata Trust have been addressed by the applicant.

One residual matter of concern still exists.

Envirolink has determined that soils in the vicinity of the former sheep dip are contaminated with historic pesticides: arsenic, reported at up to 810 mg/kg, and the organochlorine compound dieldrin, reported at up to 620 mg/kg. Dieldrin is a scheduled persistent organic pesticide under the Stockholm and Basel Conventions and under New Zealand's hazardous substances regulatory framework. These concentrations are well above national Soil Contaminant Standards for high density residential use, which

are 45 mg/kg for both arsenic and dieldrin. In fact, the highest dieldrin result could trigger restrictions made by the Environmental Protection Authority under the Hazardous Substances and New Organisms Act, which would mean that it could not legally be disposed of within New Zealand at this time.

Leaving it as is can not be a responsible option. Accordingly, the Ngāti Koata Trust seeks that, as part of this application, the applicant ensures that the soil contamination is addressed, preferably by its removal, remediation and appropriate disposal of any HAIL site contamination. This would achieve an environmental benefit considerably better than the status quo.

Thank you for the opportunity to provide this comment.

Nga mihi


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