
MINUTE 6 OF THE EXPERT PANEL

Invitation to comment
Kings Quarry - Stage 2 [FTAA-2502-1018]

29 September 2025

- 1) This minute addresses invitations to comment on the application under section 53 of the Fast-track Approvals Act 2025 (the Act).
- 2) The Expert Panel (**Panel**) records that it undertook a site visit on Tuesday, 19 August 2025. The Panel confirms that it undertook its site visit prior to finalising the invitations to comment on this application.
- 3) In accordance with section 53(2) of the Act, the Expert Panel must invite comments from persons listed in sections 53(2) (a) to (n), where relevant. The Panel records that sections 53(2)(d) to (g) are not relevant to this application. **Appendix 1** provides the list of prescribed persons relevant to this project.
- 4) Auckland Council has been identified as the relevant local authority pursuant to section 53(2)(a) of the Act. For completeness, the Expert Panel invites comments from Auckland Transport as a part of Auckland Council.
- 5) Section 53(2)(h) and (i) state that the owners and occupiers of land to which the substantive application relates, and the land adjacent to that land, must be invited to comment. The Application included an appendix (*Appendix 11: Full Names and Address of Owners and Occupiers of the Site and Adjacent Land*) that identified the names and addresses of owners and occupiers of the land that the Applicant considered to be adjacent to the site. The EPA has also provided its advice to the Panel based on the Guidance Note entitled: *FTA*

Guidance Material Identifying Adjacent Land.

- 6) The list of land parcels whose owners and occupiers will be invited to comment pursuant to section 53(2)(h) and (i) of the Act is included in **Appendix 2.**
- 7) The Panel has considered section 53(3) of the Act. Under this section the Panel has discretion to invite comments from any other person the panel considers appropriate. Whilst the discretion is broadly framed, the Panel must exercise its discretion in a principled way. These parties are also listed in **Appendix 2.**
- 8) The Panel has identified some additional persons from whom it considers appropriate to also invite comment on the application. The relevant land parcels are coloured dark blue on the Map attached as Appendix 3. The Panel has considered it appropriate to invite these additional landowners and occupiers to comment due to the additional information they may be able to offer the panel in relation to traffic and/or air quality matters; or because the relevant properties are located a similar proximate distance to the working face of the quarry as the “adjacent” properties. The Panel therefore considers it appropriate to also invite the owners and occupiers of these properties to comment. The list of land parcels whose owners and occupiers will be invited to comment pursuant to section 53(3) of the Act are also included in **Appendix 2.**
- 9) In addition, the Panel has decided to invite the Forest Bridge Trust to comment as the applicant has identified the Trust as a key relevant party in terms of the proposed offset site.
- 10) The Panel has identified a specific matter on which it would like comment from certain parties. The Panel refers to the updated material in relation the offsetting and compensation package provided by the Applicant on 15 September. All ecological offset and compensation measures are now proposed to occur

on the Oldfield Road site. This change has resulted in changes to plans and drawings and consequential changes to the application documents. Updated information is available on the fast-track website: <https://www.fasttrack.govt.nz/projects/kings-quarry-expansion-stages-2-and-3/reports-and-advice/> and is identified as the updated material submitted on 25 August 2025 in response to the Panel's Minute 3.

- 11) The Panel therefore specifically invites the parties, including Auckland Council, to make comment on this updated approach to offsetting and compensation.
- 12) The invitation to comment is dated **29 September 2025** and the due date for comments is 20 working days after this date (section 54 of the Act), namely, **28 October 2025**.
- 13) Comments must be filed with the EPA no later than **11:59pm on 28 October 2025** via:

email to substantive@fasttrack.govt.nz;

by post to Private Bag 63002, Wellington 6140 New Zealand; or

in person to Stewart Dawson's Corner, 366 Lambton Quay, Wellington 6011.



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Expert Panel Chair

Appendix 1 – Parties invited to Comment under section 53(2) and 53(3) of the Act

53(2)(a) relevant local authorities		
53(2)(a)	Relevant local authorities	Auckland Council (which includes Auckland Transport).
53(2)(b)	Relevant iwi authorities	Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Whātua Ngā Maunga Whakahii o Kaipara Development Trust Ngāti Maru Rūnanga Trust Ngāti Manuhiri Settlement Trust Te Kawerau Iwi Settlement Trust Ngāi Tai ki Tāmaki Trust Te Ākitai Waiohua Waka Taua Inc Te Ākitai Waiohua Settlement Trust Ngāti Te Ata Claims Support Whānau Trust
53(2)(c)	any relevant Treaty settlement entities, including, to avoid doubt,— (i) an entity that has an interest under a Treaty settlement within the area to which the substantive application relates; and (ii) an entity operating in a collective arrangement, provided for under a Treaty settlement, that relates to that area	Ngā Maunga Whakahii o Kaipara Development Trust Te Kawerau Iwi Settlement Trust Ngāti Manuhiri Settlement Trust Ngāi Tai ki Tāmaki Trust The following have a post-settlement governance entity (PSGE) ahead of finalising a deed of settlement: Te Ākitai Waiohua Settlement Trust, PSGE representing Te Ākitai Waiohua; Ngāti Maru Rūnanga Trust, PSGE representing Ngāti Maru; Te Rūnanga o Ngāti Whātua, PSGE representing Ngāti Whātua; and Taonga o Marutūāhu Trustee Limited/Marutūāhu Rōpū Limited Partnership, PSGEs representing Marutūāhu Iwi Collective.
53(2)(d)	any protected customary rights groups and customary marine title groups whose protected customary rights area or customary marine title	N/A

	is within the area to which the substantive application relates	
53(2)(e)	any applicant group under the Marine and Coastal Area (Takutai Moana) Act 2011 that is identified in the report prepared under section 18 or 49 and seeks recognition of customary marine title or protected customary rights within the area to which the substantive application relates	N/A
53(2)(f)	ngā hapū o Ngāti Porou if the area to which the substantive application relates is within or adjacent to, or the activities to which it relates would directly affect, ngā rohe moana o ngā hapū o Ngāti Porou	N/A
53(2)(g)	the tangata whenua of any area within the area to which the substantive application relates that is a taiāpure-local fishery, a mātaihai reserve, or an area that is subject to bylaws or regulations made under Part 9 of the Fisheries Act 1996	N/A
53(2)(h)	the owners of the land to which the substantive application relates and the land adjacent to that land	See Appendix 2
53(2)(i)	the occupiers of the land to which the substantive application relates and the land adjacent to that land unless, after reasonable inquiry, an occupier cannot be identified	See Appendix 2
53(2)(j)	the Minister for the Environment and other relevant portfolio Ministers	Minister for the Environment Minister for Infrastructure Minister for Transport Minister for Auckland Minister of Conservation Minister for Regional Development Minister for Building and Construction
53(2)(k)	relevant administering agencies	Ministry for the Environment

		Department for Conservation
53(2)(l)	any requiring authority that has a designation on land to which the substantive application relates or on land adjacent to that land	NA
53(2)(m)	if the approvals sought in the substantive application include— (i) an approval described in section 42(4)(a) or (d) (resource consent or designation), the persons and groups listed in clause 13 of Schedule 5:	Director-General of Conservation
53(2)(n)	any persons or groups specified by the Minister under section 27(3)(b)(iii)	N/A - listed project
53(3)	Comments may be invited from any other person the panel considers appropriate.	See additional Parties on map in Appendix 3 The Forest Bridge Trust

Appendix 2 – Land parcels whose owners and/or occupiers are invited to comment

Lot 3 DP 501877

Lot 5 DP 187964

Allot 74 Parish of Kaukapakapa SO 5223

Lot 2 DP 414617

Lot 1 DP 570557

Lot 1 DP 485865

Lot 2 DP 585675

Lot 11 DP 579189

Lot 2 DP 606817

Lot 3 DP 585675

Lot 2 DP 437760

Lot 1 DP 138737

Lot 2 DP 210898

Lot 1 DP 449174

Lot 1 DP 606817

Lot 3 DP 166986

Part Allotment 262 PSH of Waiwera

Allotment 26 PSH of Kaukapakapa

Allotment 71, Part Allotment 72 and 73 Parish of Kaukapakapa

Allotment 78 and Southern Portion Allotment 77 Parish of Kaukapakapa

Northern and Southern Portion Allotment 70 Parish of Kaukapakapa

Lot 1 DP 414617

Lot 3 DP 207059

Lot 2 DP 150708

Lot 2 DP 587459

Lot 3 DP 59502

Appendix 3

