

Referral application form to use for the fast-track process

Under the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024

About this referral application

This referral application form has been [approved](#) by the Secretary for the Environment in accordance with the [fast-track approvals process](#) of the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024 (the Act). All referral applications under the Act must be submitted using this form.

We recommend you discuss your referral application and the information requirements with us before you lodge the referral application. Please contact the Fast-track support team on 0800 327 875 or email info@fasttrack.govt.nz

Please provide a general level of detail in your application; sufficient to inform the Minister's decision on the referral application.

You must use this form to apply for referral applications and complete all relevant fields, even where you provide supporting attachments that are more detailed. Include attachment or appendix numbers in the relevant fields and list the attachments in section 5 of this form.

If the required information and relevant supporting material is not provided, the application will be returned to you as incomplete.

If your application is determined to be complete, and the Ministry for the Environment (MfE) considers that your project may be capable of satisfying the assessment criteria and does not appear to involve an ineligible activity, and you have paid all related fees, charges and/or levies, then we will provide it to the Minister for Infrastructure (the Minister).

Unless the Minister decides to decline the application before doing so, the Minister will invite comments on the application from relevant local authorities, Ministers, [administering agencies](#), identified Māori groups, owners of Māori land in the project area and any other person the Minister decides is appropriate. The Minister may also request further information from you, the relevant local authorities, or relevant administering agencies before making a decision on the referral application.

If the Minister accepts your referral application, then you may lodge a substantive application with the EPA and the substantive application may be considered by a decision-making panel.

Application fees and Cost recovery

Under the [Fast-track Approvals \(Cost Recovery\) Regulations 2025](#) (the Regulations), applicants lodging a referral application are required to pay a fee (deposit) of \$12,000 (plus GST), and a levy of \$6,700 (plus GST) to the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA). The fees are set in [Schedule 1 of the Regulations](#). These fees must be paid before lodgement of your referral application. If the required amount is not paid the application will be returned as incomplete.

Please note the final costs payable at the referral stage may exceed the referral application fee (deposit) paid. More information about cost recovery under the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024 is available from [Fast-track approvals cost recovery process](#).

Submitting your application

You will need to submit this form through our digital Fast-track portal. You will need to receive a link to register/access the portal.

If you need any help with the form, you can call or email us:

- 0800 327 875 (0800 FASTRK) (from within New Zealand)
- email: info@fasttrack.govt.nz

Ways you can send your completed form to us

By digital portal – you will need to receive a link to register/access: [Fast-track website](#)

By email – info@fasttrack.govt.nz

Your personal information

The Ministry for the Environment (MfE) is collecting your personal information for the purpose of administering your referral application under the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024. We will only use the information for the purposes of contacting you in relation to this application.

MfE may provide your application, or details from your application to other agencies or local authorities for the purpose of administering your referral application. If your application is accepted as complete and progresses through the referral process, the Minister may consult with other agencies and groups on your application. This will require the Minister to share the details of your application with the EPA, the Panel Convener, and those groups.

We will store your personal information securely. You have the right to access the personal information we hold about you and to ask for it to be corrected if it is wrong. If you would

like to access your personal information, or have it corrected, please contact us at referrals@fasttrack.govt.nz

Official information

All information you provide with this application is subject to the Official Information Act 1982 and may be released in accordance with that Act.

Publishing your application

We intend to publish your referral application on the Fast-track Approvals website.

Any personal contact details in application documents will not be made publicly available. Please provide a copy of the application with all personal contact details redacted.

MfE may also redact certain information from publication in accordance with the Official Information Act 1992. If you think your application contains information which should be withheld, please clearly identify it and provide an explanation as to why it should be withheld.

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Section 1: Applicant details

A person or persons may apply to use the fast-track process for a project. Where there is more than one person, the referral application must be lodged jointly by all of the persons who are proposed to be authorised persons for the project.

If the referral application is accepted and referred by the Minister, the person or persons who lodged the referral application will be specified as the person who is, or the persons who are, authorised to lodge a substantive application for the project.

1.1 Applicant(s) – repeat for all applicants

1.1.1 Organisation name: The Wellington Company

1.1.2 NZBN (optional): 9429037867287

1.1.3 Contact name: Jamie Nunns

1.1.4 Phone: s 9(2)(a)

1.1.5 Email address: s 9(2)(a)

1.1.6 Postal address (if preferred method of contact):

Additional Applicants: New Central Park Limited

1.2 Agent acting on behalf of applicant (if applicable)

1.2.1 Organisation name: Scope Planning Limited

1.2.2 Contact name: Stephanie Blick

1.2.3 Phone: s 9(2)(a)

1.2.4 Email address: s 9(2)(a)

1.2.5 Postal address (if preferred method of contact):

1.3 Finance – Agent acting on behalf of applicant (if applicable)

1.3.1 Organisation name: NEW CENTRAL PARK LIMITED

1.3.2 Contact name: Jamie Nunns

1.3.3 Phone: s 9(2)(a)

1.3.4 Email address: s 9(2)(a)

1.3.5 Postal address (if preferred method of contact): Level 1, 126 Lambton Quay Wellington Central Wellington New Zealand 6011

If you are making this application on behalf of the applicant, please attach evidence that you are authorised to make this application.

1.3.6 Please direct all correspondence relating to this application (including correspondence from MfE) to:

If selecting Applicant and there is more than 1 person who lodged the referral application, please identify 1 person to receive all correspondence on behalf of all applicants.

1.4.1 Compliance and enforcement history – repeat for all applicants

1.4.1 Have there been any compliance or enforcement actions taken against the applicant (or if the referral application is lodged by more than one person, any of those persons) under a specified Act definition for either ‘compliance’ or ‘enforcement’?

No

1.4.2 If you answered yes above, please provide a summary of the relevant legislation and provisions, and any compliance or enforcement actions, and

the outcome of those actions taken under the [specified Act](#) against the applicant or applicants, if the referral is being lodged jointly.

Section 2: Referral application summary

2.1 Project name

This is the name by which the project will be known publicly. For example - avoid using street addresses, place names, company names.

New Central Park

2.2 Project description and location

2.2.1 Provide a description of the project and the activities it involves

The project description helps us with inviting comments from relevant parties on the application, and publishing information about the application.

The scope of the Project is to subdivide land and construct and operate a mixed use development on land located at 77 and 109 Kapiti Road.

The development will comprise:

- a) Subdivision consent to create approximately:
 - i) 370-470 residential allotments;
 - ii) Apartment allotments that will be the subject of future unit-title subdivision, to reflect the construction undertaken.
 - iii) Two large format retail allotments
 - iv) Smaller commercial / speciality retail allotments
 - v) Road reserves to be vested with KCDC
 - vi) A large reserve area to provide for wetland offset and flood detention
 - vii) Additional open space and access lots, including for stormwater management and shared path connections.
- b) Land use consent undertake the following:
 - i) Construction of 520-620 residential units across a range of typologies (including terrace housing, duplexes, standalone dwellings and apartments);
 - ii) Construction and operation of large format retail buildings and activities;
 - iii) Construction and operation of speciality retail, commercial and service-based activities, with final building form and layout guided by bulk and location controls and site-specific design guidance;
 - iv) Construction of associated roading and access including carparking, loading areas, signage and landscaping;
 - v) Public and private open space areas; and

- vi) Creation of off-site wetland off-setting areas at 180, 186, 196 and 198 Sims Road, Te Horo.
- c) Infrastructure servicing associated with the subdivision and development, including:
 - i) Roads and transport infrastructure;
 - ii) Parking, accessways and shared paths;
 - iii) Three waters infrastructure (stormwater, wastewater and potable water);
 - iv) Stormwater management infrastructure; and
 - v) Flood detention and conveyance.

The project may involve the following activities:

- a) Subdivision of land;
- b) Bulk earthworks, including discharges to land and water, stream reclamation and diversion, minor culverting works, and erosion and sediment control;
- c) Earthworks and development within identified flood hazard areas (including ponding, storage and overland flow paths);
- d) Construction and operation of residential units, retail and commercial buildings;
- e) Development of open space, including wetland offset planting, ecological restoration, and enhancement of the Wharemaukū Stream corridor;
- f) Diversion, treatment and discharge of stormwater, including within and adjacent to wetlands;
- g) Reclamation and partial reclamation of natural inland wetlands;
- h) Earthworks within proximity to wetlands and watercourses;
- i) Construction and operation of three waters infrastructure;
- j) Construction of roads, vehicle access, and transport infrastructure, including structures such as culverts (including over the Wharemaukū Stream);
- k) Installation of utilities and network infrastructure (power, telecommunications and gas);
- l) Vegetation clearance;
- m) Potential off-site wetland offset planting at 180, 186, 196 and 198 Sims Road, Te Horo; and
- n) Ongoing operation and maintenance of the development, including stormwater and open space management.

2.2.2 Provide a description or map of the whole project area that identifies its boundaries in sufficient detail to enable consideration of the referral application.

For example, site address(es), certificate of title(s), shape files

REFER SECTION 4.1 OF THE REFERRAL REPORT. PROJECT SITE ALSO SUMMARISED AS FOLLOWS:

The Project is centred on approximately 28 hectares of land at 77 and 109 Kapiti Road, Paraparaumu, located immediately west of the Paraparaumu Town Centre between Kapiti Road, Rimu Road, Ihakara Street and the Kapiti Expressway. The

core project area comprises land owned by New Central Park Limited together with adjoining Kapiti Coast District Council land that is proposed to accommodate flood storage, wetland restoration, open space and transport connections associated with the development.

In addition to the core development site, a number of adjoining properties have been included within the project area to provide flexibility for potential roading tie-ins, infrastructure connections, utility works, stormwater works and other ancillary activities that may be identified through detailed design. These additional properties are largely owned by Kapiti Coast District Council.

The project area also includes several Kapiti Coast District Council-owned Local Purpose Reserves that are classified as public conservation land under the Act. At this stage, any works within these areas are expected to be limited to minor infrastructure, utility, earthworks or path connection works, if required.

A separate property at Sims Road, Te Horo, has also been included within the project area as a contingency location for off-site wetland offsetting should sufficient offset opportunities not be achievable within the core project area.

However, it is anticipated that all wetland offsetting requirements can be accommodated within the primary project area and the inclusion of the Sims Road properties is precautionary only.

2.3 Ineligible activity

Your referral application must demonstrate that the project does not involve any ineligible activities as defined in [Section 5](#) of the Act. Please consider each ineligible activity below and where relevant, provide the requested details.

*When providing your response below, where possible, **provide details of any parties involved, the extent of their holding and the activity relevant to their area.***

Where a project involves an activity that may be the subject of a determination under sections [23](#) or [24](#), and you are intending to seek a Ministerial determination for that activity under either section, you must still complete this section in full. Determinations under, and information required in respect of, sections 23 and 24 are covered further under 2.5

Ministerial determinations under sections 23 and 24.

If your application relates to certain mining activities below the surface of the land and meets the other relevant criteria under [section 5\(2\)](#) of the Act then an agreement under [section 5\(1\)\(a\), \(b\), \(j\) or \(k\)](#) may not be required. This should be identified under the relevant questions below, and you must provide the additional information required in respect of [section 5\(2\)](#) under 2.3 Ineligible activity.

2.3.1 Does the project include an activity that would occur on identified [Māori land](#) as defined in section 4 of the Act?

No

- a. If yes, please address the following:
 - i. identify the land involved and the owner(s) of the land.
 - ii. Confirm that the activity on the land has been agreed with the owners of the land and provide evidence of the written agreement; or
 - A. advise whether it is proposed to seek a determination under [section 23](#) and provide the information under 2.5 Ministerial determinations under sections 23 and 24 below; or
 - B. advise whether it is proposed to rely on [section 5\(2\)](#) of the Act and provide the information under 2.3 Ineligible activity below.

2.3.2 Does the project involve an activity that would occur in a customary marine title area?

No

- a. Address the following:
 - i. Identify the relevant customary marine title area, who the customary marine title group is;
 - ii. Provide evidence that written agreement has been obtained from the customary marine title group and provide a copy of the same; **or**
 - A. advise whether it is proposed to rely on [section 5\(2\)](#) of the Act and provide the information under 2.3 Ineligible activity below.

2.3.3 Does the project involve an activity that would occur in a protected customary rights area?

No

- a. Address the following:
 - i. Identify the protected customary rights area, the group who holds these rights and the nature of the protected customary right(s)
 - ii. Explain your proposed activity and identify whether you consider that it would have a less than minor adverse effect on the exercise of the protected customary right(s), and briefly explain why; **or**
 - iii. Advise whether you consider that your proposed activity would have a more than minor effect on the exercise of the protected customary right(s), and if so, confirm that the activity has been agreed to in writing

by the protected customary rights group and provide a copy of that agreement.

- 2.3.4** Does the project involve an activity that would occur on:
Māori customary land; OR land set apart as a Māori reservation as defined in section 4 of Te Ture Whenua Māori Act 1993.

No

- 2.3.5** Does the project involve an aquaculture activity or an activity that is incompatible with aquaculture activities that would occur within an aquaculture settlement area (under section 12 of the Māori Commercial Aquaculture Claims Settlement Act 2004); or an area reserved under another Treaty settlement for the aquaculture activities of a particular group?

No

- 2.3.6** Provide details of the aquaculture activity or the activity that is incompatible with aquaculture and the location

- 2.3.7** Provide details of the relevant aquaculture settlement area or Treaty settlement legislation reserving space for aquaculture and include details of the impacted parties or particular group.

- 2.3.8** Provide details on whether or not the applicant is authorised to apply for a coastal permit within the aquaculture settlement area, or area reserved under another Treaty settlement for aquaculture activities, including a copy of any such authorisation.

- 2.3.9** Does the project include an activity that would require an access arrangement under [section 61](#) or [61B](#) of the Crown Minerals Act 1991?

No

- a. Provide the following information:
- i. what is the activity that would require the access arrangement; and
 - ii. does the project include an activity that would occur on Crown owned land or internal waters and land of the common marine and coastal area described in Schedule 4 of that Act and provide details of the same.
 - iii. If so describe how the activity meets the criteria in [section 61\(1A\)](#)(a-e) of the Crown Minerals Act 1991; **or**

- iv. Confirm and provide evidence that the project would not occur in an area for which a permit cannot be granted under that Act:

2.3.10 Does the project include an activity that would be prevented under any of sections [165J](#), [165M](#), [165Q](#), [165ZC](#), or [165ZDB](#) (regarding the management of occupation in common marine and coastal area) of the Resource Management Act 1991?

No

2.3.11 Provide details about which section the project does not comply with and, if relevant, the provisions of the regional coastal plan that are applicable.

2.3.12 Does the project include an activity (other than an activity that would require an access arrangement under the [Crown Minerals Act 1991](#)) that would occur on land that is listed in [Schedule 4](#) of this Act?

No

a. Provide the following:

- i. identify the activity and which clause under Schedule 4 is applicable; and
- ii. confirm whether you are seeking that the Minister make a determination under [section 24](#), and if so, whether the determination sought relates to existing electricity infrastructure or new electricity lines and provide the information under 2.5 Ministerial determinations under sections 23 and 24 below.

2.3.13 Does the project involve an activity that would occur on a national reserve held under the [Reserves Act 1977](#) and requires approval under that Act?

No

a. Address the following:

- i. identify the activity and type of national reserve under the Reserves Act
- ii. identify what approval(s) would be required under the Reserves Act.
- iii. Confirm whether you are seeking that the Minister make a determination under [section 24](#) and if so whether the determination sought relates to existing electricity infrastructure or new electricity lines.? If so, provide the information under 2.5 Ministerial determinations under sections 23 and 24 below

2.3.14 Does the project involve an activity that would occur on a reserve held under the [Reserves Act 1977](#) that is vested in someone other than the Crown or a local authority?

No

a. Address the following:

- i. identify the activity, the reserve type under the Reserves Act, and the person in whom it is vested.
- ii. provide evidence that written agreement has been obtained from the person in whom the reserve is vested and provide a copy of the same; or
- iii. advise whether it is proposed to rely on [section 5\(2\)](#) of the Act and provide the information under 2.3 Ineligible activity below.

2.3.15 Does the project involve an activity that would occur on a reserve held under the Reserves Act 1977 that is managed by someone other than the Department of Conservation or a local authority?

No

a. Address the following:

- i. identify the activity, the reserve type under the Reserves Act, and the person or body who manages the reserve.
- ii. Provide evidence that written agreement has been obtained from the person or body responsible for managing the reserve and provide a copy of the same; **or**
- iii. advise whether it is proposed to rely on [section 5\(2\)](#) of the Act and provide the information under 2.3 Ineligible activity below; **or**
- iv. advise whether you consider the activity falls within the scope of [section 5\(5\)](#) of the Act, and provide the information under 2.3 Ineligible activity below.

2.3.16 Does the project involve an activity that is:

- a. a prohibited activity under the Exclusive Economic Zone and Continental Shelf (Environmental Effects) Act 2012 or regulations made under that Act?
- b. described in [section 15B](#) (Discharge of harmful substances from ships or offshore installations) of the Resource Management Act 1991 and is a prohibited activity under that Act or regulations made under it;
No
- c. prohibited by [section 15C](#) (Prohibitions in relation to radioactive waste or other radioactive matter and other waste in coastal marine area) of the Resource Management Act 1991
No

2.3.17 Does the project involve a decommissioning-related activity as described in section 38(3) of the Exclusive Economic Zone and Continental Shelf (Environmental Effects) Act 2012:

No

2.3.18 Does the project involve an activity undertaken for the purposes of an offshore renewable energy project?

No

2.4 Exemptions from requirement to provide agreement

2.4.1 Mining activities under section 5(2)

The agreement of the relevant groups referred to under 3.5 Persons affected is not required for certain mining activities under [section 5\(2\)](#). If you think this might apply to your application, answer the questions below.

2.4.1.2 Is your application for an activity that is prospecting, exploration, mining or mining operations of Crown-owned minerals undertaken below the surface of any land or area?

No

2.4.1.3 Provide details of the activity and identify the owner and occupier of the land and any relevant details concerning the land or area (such as whether it is identified Māori land)

2.4.1.4 Explain the extent, if any to which your activity may be likely to cause any damage to the surface of the land or any loss or damage to the owner or occupier of the land.

2.4.1.5 Explain the extent, if any to which your activity will be likely to have any prejudicial effect in respect of the use and enjoyment of the land by the owner or occupier of the land.

2.4.1.6 Explain the extent, if any to which your activity will be likely to have any prejudicial effect in respect of any possible future use of the surface of the land, and if no such effects are anticipated, please explain why.

2.4.2 Activities on land proposed to be the subject of a land exchange

The agreement of relevant groups referred to in (subsection 5(1)(a) of the Act) is not required if section 5(5) applies. If you consider this section may be relevant to your application, complete the below.

2.4.2.1 Is the reserve on which the activity is to occur proposed to be the subject of a land exchange?

No

2.4.2.2 Is the reserve a Crown-owned reserve?

2.4.2.3 Are the person or persons responsible for managing the reserve in place because of a Treaty settlement?

2.4.2.4 Provide any supporting details which may be relevant for your responses to the above questions.

2.5 Ministerial determinations under sections 23 and 24

Complete this section if you wish to seek a ministerial determination under section 23 or section 24 that your project is not an ineligible activity.

2.5.1 Determination in relation to linear infrastructure on Māori land under section 23

2.5.1.1 Is your application seeking a determination under [section 23](#) (linear infrastructure on certain identified Māori land)

No

Provide the following information:

2.5.1.2 Confirmation that the activity is the construction of electricity lines or land transport infrastructure (and identify which it is)

2.5.1.3 Confirmation that the above construction (or operation of) will be undertaken by a network utility operator that is a requiring authority, and that that same party is the applicant for the necessary approvals, providing details of the same.

2.5.1.4 Confirmation that the activity would occur on identified Māori land that is Māori freehold land or General land owned by Māori that was previously Māori freehold land (and identify that land)

2.5.1.5 Provide information on the rights and interests of Māori in that land

2.5.1.6 Provide an assessment of the effects of the activity on those Māori rights and interests and on the relevant land.

2.5.2 Determination in relation to existing electricity infrastructure under section 24(2)

2.5.2.1 Is your application seeking a Ministerial determination under [section 24](#)(2) (in relation to maintenance, upgrading, or continued operation of existing electricity infrastructure on certain Schedule 4 land or in a national reserve)

No

Provide the following information:

2.5.2.2 Confirmation that the activity is the maintenance, upgrading, or continued operation of existing electricity infrastructure.

2.5.2.3 Confirmation that the activity would occur on eligible land, as defined in section 24(3).

2.5.2.4 Advise whether the activity would materially increase the scale or adverse effects of the existing electricity infrastructure and provide an explanation of the same.

2.5.3 Determination in relation to new electricity lines under section 24(4)

2.5.3.1 Is your application seeking a determination under [section 24](#) (the construction and operation of new electricity lines on eligible land (as defined in [schedule 4](#) excluding land classified as a national park or listed in subsections 2, 4, 5(a), 7 or 8 of that schedule)?)

No

Provide the following information:

2.5.3.2 Is the activity the construction and operation of new electricity lines? (provide any necessary details)

Would the activity occur on eligible land (and identify which category of eligible land);

2.5.3.3 Provide the requested information for each alternative site considered for the construction and operation of the new electricity lines:

2.5.3.4 A description of the alternative site.

2.5.3.5 A statement of the anticipated and known financial cost of undertaking the activity on the alternative site.

2.5.3.6 A description of the anticipated and known adverse effects of undertaking the activity on the alternative site.

2.5.3.7 A description of the anticipated and known financial cost and practicality of available measures to avoid, remedy, mitigate, offset, or compensate for the anticipated and known adverse effects of the activity on the alternative site.

2.5.3.8 A description of any issues (including financial cost) that would make it impractical to undertake the activity on the alternative site.

2.5.3.9 An assessment of whether it would be reasonable and practical to undertake the activity on the alternative site, considering the matters referred to above.

2.6 Appropriateness for fast-track approvals process

Here you must explain how the project meets the referral application criteria ([section 22](#)). Please consider and respond where relevant, to each question.

If the project is planned to proceed in stages, you must explain how each stage meets the referral application criteria.

If a part of the project is proposed as an alternative project, you must explain how each stage meets the referral application criteria,

- 2.6.1** The criteria for accepting a referral application is that the project is an infrastructure or development project that would have significant regional or national benefits. Explain how this project satisfies the criteria:

REFER SECTION 5 OF THE REFERRAL REPORT

- 2.6.2** Explain how referring the project to the fast-track approvals process:

- 2.6.2.1** Would facilitate the project, including by enabling it to be processed in a more timely and cost-effective way than under normal processes; and

While the Applicant is confident that the proposal will achieve overall positive outcomes consistent with the intent of the Metropolitan Centre Zone, both Kāpiti Coast District Council and Greater Wellington Regional Council have indicated that the earthworks and subdivision consents that have been lodged to enable the development will likely to be publicly notified, with a joint hearing process. This position is driven in part by the inclusion of wetland reclamation works, notwithstanding that these are to be offset and integrated with enhanced ecological and stormwater outcomes.

Proceeding through the standard Resource Management Act 1991 process therefore exposes the project to a protracted and uncertain pathway, including the potential for Environment Court appeals (including by the Applicant in relation to conditions). In practical terms, this is expected to extend the delivery timeframe by at least three years, with corresponding cost escalation and delay to the realisation of the project's housing, infrastructure, and economic benefits.

Referral to the Fast-track Approvals process would materially streamline this pathway by consolidating approvals, removing duplication between agencies, and providing a single, expert panel decision without appeal rights (other than on points of law).

Importantly, the project is of a nature and scale that aligns with the purpose of the Fast-track regime, being a comprehensive, master-planned urban development with significant regional benefits. It is not expected to materially affect the efficient operation of the Fast-track process, as it does

not raise novel or untested issues, and this referral application is already supported by a well-developed technical evidence base and prior engagement with key stakeholders, including local authorities and mana whenua.

2.6.2.2 Is unlikely to materially affect the efficient operation of the fast-track approvals process

2.6.2.3 Has the project been identified as a priority project in a central government, local government, or sector plan or strategy (for example, in a general policy statement or spatial strategy), or a central government infrastructure priority list?

For example – a sector plan that specifically identifies the project including details such as location.

Yes

a. Identify the plan, strategy or list (or any other relevant document).

The Site comprises a significant portion of 'Central Paraparaumu' that is identified in KCDC's Te Tupu Pai – Growing Well Strategy as the primary centre for the Kāpiti Coast District, intended to develop over time into a city centre that provides the scale, facilities, and diversity of activities expected of a metropolitan hub.

A core direction of the strategy is to focus growth and intensification within and around this centre, making efficient use of existing infrastructure and avoiding dispersed, low-density urban sprawl. This includes enabling:

- Significant intensification in the centre;
- Mixed-use development, integrating commercial, retail, and residential activities;
- Transit-oriented development, leveraging proximity to the railway station and public transport; and
- A more compact, walkable urban form, with strong pedestrian, cycling, and public transport connections.

The strategy emphasises that intensification within Central Paraparaumu will:

- Support a broader range of services, employment, and amenities;
- Enable more diverse housing typologies, including apartments;
- Improve economic vitality and investment attraction; and
- Create a vibrant, accessible centre that functions as a focal point for the district.

The Project directly gives effect to this strategic direction by delivering a comprehensive, masterplanned mixed-use development within the Paraparaumu town centre, consistent with its identified role as the district's primary centre.

In particular, the Project:

- Enables intensification of a strategically located site within and adjacent to the town centre, consistent with the strategy's clear direction to concentrate growth in this location;
- Delivers a mixed-use urban form, integrating residential, retail, and commercial activities, thereby reinforcing the function of the centre as a

hub for living, working, and services;

- Supports a more compact and efficient urban structure, avoiding the need for further outward expansion and aligning with the strategy's emphasis on consolidating growth;
- Provides for increased residential density and diversity, including housing typologies that are currently underrepresented in the district;
- Enhances walkability and accessibility, including connections to existing transport networks and proximity to the rail station and key services; and
- Contributes to the scale, vibrancy, and economic performance of the centre, consistent with the strategy's objective of developing Paraparaumu into a true city centre.

Importantly, the Growth Strategy places strong emphasis on intensification and expansion of the town centre as a key mechanism for accommodating growth. The Project not only aligns with this direction but actively enables it, representing a logical and anticipated evolution of the centre consistent with long-term strategic planning for the district

2.6.2.4 Will the project deliver new regionally or nationally significant infrastructure or enable the continued functioning of existing regionally or nationally significant infrastructure?

Yes

- a. Explain how the project will deliver this.

The Project will extend regionally significant infrastructure, including new key link roads, stormwater and flood management systems, and three waters infrastructure. These works will support both the proposed development and the wider functioning and resilience of the town centre. The integration of transport connections, including the Link Road and Iver Trask Extension, will improve connectivity and accessibility across the centre.

2.6.2.5 Will the project increase the supply of housing, address housing needs, or contribute to a well-functioning urban environment (within the meaning of policy 1 of the National Policy Statement on Urban Development 2020). If yes, explain how the project will achieve this.

The Proposal will increase housing supply, delivering approximately 520 dwellings across a range of typologies, including terrace housing, duplexes and apartments. The Economic Assessment confirms that this will increase the district's greenfield housing capacity and contribute meaningfully to meeting medium-term housing demand under the NPS-UD.

From an urban design perspective, the proposal delivers a well-functioning urban environment through a legible, walkable and mixed-use spatial structure, strong integration with public transport and key destinations, and a high level of amenity supported by open space and active transport networks.

2.6.2.6 Will the project deliver significant economic benefits, and if so, how?

The Economic Assessment identifies that the Project will deliver significant and measurable economic benefits. This includes substantial construction-related GDP and employment generation, as well as ongoing economic contribution through retail, commercial and residential activity. The proposal will expand the district's retail and service offering, reduce expenditure leakage, and strengthen the role and function of the Paraparaumu town centre as the primary commercial and service hub for the district. In addition, the development will improve local economic self-sufficiency and enhance the attractiveness of the Kāpiti Coast as a place to live, work and invest.

2.6.2.7 Will the project support primary industries, including aquaculture, and if so, how?

2.6.2.8 Will the project support development of natural resources, including minerals and petroleum, and if so, how?

2.6.2.9 Will the project support climate change mitigation, including the reduction or removal of greenhouse gas emissions, and if so, how?

The Project supports climate change mitigation through its compact, mixed-use urban form, which reduces the need for private vehicle travel by enabling access to housing, employment, services and public transport within a walkable catchment. The Urban Design Assessment highlights the integration of active transport networks and a spatial structure that promotes sustainable travel behaviour.

2.6.2.10 Will the project support climate change adaptation, reduce risks arising from natural hazards, or support recovery from events caused by natural hazards, and if so, how?

The Project incorporates flood management and stormwater infrastructure, including an integrated wetland and flood detention area. These measures will reduce existing flood risk and improve the resilience of the site and surrounding area to future climate-related events. The use of nature-based solutions, including wetland restoration and stream enhancement, provides both functional and environmental benefits.

2.6.2.11 Will the project address significant environmental issues, and if so, how?

2.6.2.12 Is the project consistent with local or regional planning documents, including spatial strategies, and if so, how?

The Project is consistent with relevant statutory planning documents, including the NPS-UD and the Kāpiti Coast District Plan. The Urban Design Assessment confirms that the proposal aligns with the intent of the Metropolitan Centre Zone, including providing for a compact, well-connected and mixed-use centre with a strong community focal point. As noted above, the Project is also consistent with KCDC's growth strategy Te Tupu Pai – Growing Well Strategy

Section 3: Project details

Remember: at this stage only a general level of detail is required, enough to inform eligibility to use the fast-track approvals process.

For construction activities, please state the anticipated commencement and completion dates.

REFER DRAFT PROGRAMME PROVIDED AS APPENDIX 2.

In summary, the anticipated timeframes for development are as follows:

- a) Planning Fast Track – 12 Months
- b) Detailed Design and Council Engineering Approvals – 9 Months
- c) Civils and Earthworks – 24 Months
- d) Construction – Buildings to be delivered over a period of 10 years.

3.1 Approvals required

Applications must specify all of the proposed approvals sought but only need to provide a general level of detail about each proposed approval, sufficient to inform the Minister's decision on the referral application.

For each proposed approval an applicant must be eligible to apply for any corresponding approval under a specified Act. For example, if an approval is for a notice of requirement under the RMA, the applicant for that approval would need to be a requiring authority.

Applications for approvals under a specified Act, as required by in [section 13\(4\)\(y\)](#), are covered below in 3.8 Specific proposed approvals.

3.1.1 Outline the approvals sought under the Resource Management Act 1991.

REFER SECTION 7.2 OF THE REFERRAL REPORT.

This section sets out a comprehensive table of all of the likely consents that will be required under the Kapiti Coast District Plan, Natural Resources Plan, National Environmental Standards for Freshwater. Overall it is likely that the resource consent will be bundled as a Non-Complying Activity.

3.1.2 Outline the approvals sought under the Conservation Act 1987

N/A

3.1.3 Outline the approvals sought under the Reserves Act 1977

The development will likely include undertaken works within three local purpose reserves that are owned and managed by KCDC. Based on recent correspondence it is unlikely that approvals under the Reserves Act 1977 will be required but this will be confirmed with KCDC and, if necessary, included in the substantive application.

3.1.4 Outline the approvals sought under the Wildlife Act 1953

A Wildlife Act Authority for the catch, handle, and release of lizards.

3.1.5 Outline the approvals sought under the National Parks Act 1980

N/A

3.1.6 Outline the approvals sought under the Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Act 2014

While there are no recorded archaeological sites within the project area, an Archaeological Authority will be sought ahead of the commencement of works (should the application be granted)

3.1.7 Outline the approvals sought under the Freshwater Fisheries Regulations 1983

The requirement for a Complex Freshwater Fisheries Activity Approval (CFFA) has been confirmed through pre-lodgement engagement with the DOC which reviewed the referral application material and advised that a CFFA is likely to be required given the presence of indigenous fish species within the wider catchment and the nature of the proposed works.

The Project may include the construction of culvert crossings and other in-stream structures associated with future roading, access and infrastructure works. The final location, number and design of these structures will be determined through detailed design. Any such structures will be designed to maintain fish passage and ecological connectivity in accordance with fish passage requirements under the NES-F.

The Project may also involve activities requiring a CFFA, including works within streams and wetlands, stream enhancement activities, fish salvage and relocation, and freshwater habitat enhancement works.

This application has identified the requirement for a CFFA. DOC's pre-lodgement response confirmed the likely need for the approval and identified no additional referral-level information requirements beyond the preparation of the detailed assessments that would accompany any substantive fast-track application.

3.1.8 Outline the approvals sought under the Exclusive Economic Zone and Continental Shelf (Environmental Effects) Act 2012

N/A

3.1.9 Outline the approvals sought under the Crown Minerals Act 1991

N/A

3.1.10 Outline the approvals sought under the Public Works Act 1981

While there are no recorded archaeological sites within the project area, an Archaeological Authority will be sought ahead of the commencement of works (should the application be granted)

3.1.11 *Only applicable if more than one applicant:* Provide a statement of which approvals are proposed to be held by which applicant.

N/A

3.1.12 Where there are any particular eligibility requirements to apply for an above approval; identify what they are, who the relevant applicant is, and confirm that the relevant applicant meets those requirements (including providing any necessary supporting information or documentation to evidence this).

In relation to the RMA and Reserves Act approvals being sought, KCDC will need to provide written approval for the application.

3.1.13 Are there any other types of consents, certificates, designations, concessions, and other legal authorisations (other than contractual authorisations or the proposed approvals) and you consider are needed to authorise the project (including any that may be needed by someone other than you as the applicant(s)). Provide details on whether these have been obtained.

The Applicant has reviewed the eligibility requirements associated with each approval sought through this referral application and considers that the Project is eligible to apply for those approvals under the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024.

Where approvals relate to land owned or administered by another party, including Kāpiti Coast District Council or other public authorities, the Applicant acknowledges that the relevant landowner's approval, authorisation, agreement or involvement may be required before those approvals can be exercised or implemented.

This includes works proposed on Kāpiti Coast District Council-owned land associated with flood management, wetland restoration, transport connections and infrastructure, as well as any works that may ultimately be required within adjoining Local Purpose Reserves administered by Kāpiti Coast District Council.

No eligibility issues have been identified in relation to the Wildlife Act approvals, Complex Freshwater Fisheries Activity approvals, Public Works Act approvals, archaeological authority or any other approvals sought through this referral application. To the extent any approval requires the consent, agreement or involvement of another landowner, administering agency or statutory authority, those matters will be addressed through the substantive application process and implementation of the Project.

3.2 Project stages

3.2.1 If the project is planned to proceed in stages, provide: Yes

1. A statement of whether the project is planned to proceed in stages, including:
 - a. an outline of the nature, scale and timing of the stages; and
 - b. a statement of whether you intend to lodge a separate substantive application for each of the stages.
 - i. If a substantive application is intended to be lodged for each stage, address the questions under the section (Appropriateness for fast-track approvals process) for each stage of the project

The substantive application will seek consent for the full development i.e. there will be no consents sought for separate development stages of the project.

3.3 Alternative project

3.3.1 If the project is proposed as an alternative project, provide: No

1. A statement of whether a part of the project is proposed as an alternative project in itself; and
 - a. Describe that part of the project; and
 - b. Explain how that part of the project proposed as an alternative project meets the referral assessment criteria in [section 22](#) of the Act.

3.4 Adverse effects

3.4.1 Describe any anticipated and known adverse effects of the project on the environment.

PLEASE REFER ASSESSMENT OF ANTICIPATED AND KNOWN ADVERSE EFFECTS IN SECTION 4.3 OF THE REFERRAL REPORT.

In summary, The Project has the potential to generate a range of positive economic, social and environmental outcomes, while any adverse effects can be appropriately avoided, remedied or mitigated through detailed design, technical assessment and proposed consent conditions.

Technical assessments undertaken to date indicate that ecological, landscape, transport, servicing, geotechnical, natural hazard, archaeological and cultural effects can be appropriately managed. The Project has been designed through an iterative multidisciplinary process informed by flood risk, ecological constraints, transport integration and urban design outcomes.

Further detailed assessments and management plans will accompany the substantive fast-track resource consent application, including earthworks and construction management, erosion and sediment control, stormwater and flood management, transport, ecological mitigation and offsetting, and cultural and archaeological management measures.

Overall, the assessments completed to date demonstrate that the Project can achieve appropriate environmental outcomes, with no significant residual adverse effects anticipated.

3.4.2 Provide a statement of any activities involved in the project that are prohibited activities under the Resource Management Act 1991, and identify the relevant prohibited activity provision.

There are no known activities that are prohibited activities under the Act.

3.5 Persons affected

3.5.1 Provide a list of the persons, groups and/or entities who you consider are likely to be affected by the project.

The list should include, as relevant, local authorities, relevant Māori groups (as set out at [section 13\(4\)\(j\)\(ii\)-\(vii\) of the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024](#)), persons with a registered interest in land that may need to be acquired under the Public Works Act 198; and if the project includes a land exchange, the holder of an interest in the land that is to be exchanged by the Crown (see [Consultation requirements for referral application](#)).

Persons likely to be affected and that may have an interest in the development are listed as follows:

- a) Ātiawa ki Whakarongotai Charitable Trust;
- b) Te Rūnanga o Toa Rangatira Inc;
- c) Muaūpoko Tribal Authority Inc;
- d) Kāpiti Coast District Council;
- e) Greater Wellington Regional Council;
- f) Department of Conservation;
- g) Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga.

- 3.5.2** Provide a summary of any consultation undertaken with the above persons and/or groups who you consider are likely to be affected by the project, and any other groups required to be consulted with under [section 11](#) of the Act, **and** how the consultation has informed the project.

REFER SECTION 6.1 OF THE REFERRAL REPORT

- 3.5.3** List any Treaty settlements that apply to the project area and provide a summary of the relevant principles and provisions in those settlements.

The Ngāti Toa Rangatira Claims Settlement Act 2014 gives effect to certain provisions of the deed of settlement signed by Ngāti Toa Rangatira, Trustee of the Toa Rangatira Trust and the Crown on 7 December 2012 and an amendment deed signed in November 2013. The deeds and associated documents are available on the NZ Government Treaty settlement website.

The Crown apology to Ngāti Toa expresses (among other things) deep regret for the cumulative effect of Crown actions and omissions, which severely damaged the iwi's social and traditional tribal structures, their autonomy and ability to exercise customary rights and responsibilities, their capacity for economic and social development and their physical, cultural and spiritual well-being. 35. The Crown says it hopes that the apology and settlement will mark the beginning of a new, positive and enduring relationship with Ngāti Toa Rangatira founded on mutual trust and co-operation and respect for Te Tiriti o Waitangi / the Treaty of Waitangi and its principles.

No cultural or commercial redress provided under the settlement would be directly affected by the project. The settlement does not, for example, create new co-governance or co-management processes.

The Project is not located within any statutory acknowledgment area.

- 3.5.4** If relevant, detail any principles or provisions in the Ngā Rohe Moana o Ngā Hapū o Ngāti Porou Act 2019 that would be invoked by the project and identify which aspects of the application trigger or otherwise invoke these requirements.

N/A

- 3.5.5** Will the project be located on land returned under a Treaty settlement?

No

- 3.5.6** Provide evidence of written agreement by the owners of the land returned.

- 3.5.7** Describe any processes already undertaken under the Public Works Act 1981 in relation to the project:

N/A

3.5.8 Provide information identifying any parcels of Māori land, marae, or identified wāhi tapu within the project area:

The previous referral application process uncovered no parcels of Māori land, marae, or identified wāhi tapu within the project area.

3.6 Legal interests

3.6.1 Provide a description of any legal interests you or any others applying, have in the land on which the project will occur, including a statement of how that affects your ability to undertake the work.

The Applicant is the landowner of the development area portion of the Site and therefore is able to undertake the work without delay / impediment. In addition, certain works are proposed on land owned by KCDC, including the Iver Trask extension and areas identified on the masterplan for flood storage, stormwater management and wetland offset. The Applicant is progressing discussions with KCDC in relation to these works, and the Fast-track consent application will include the necessary written approvals from KCDC to enable these works to be undertaken.

3.7 Other matters

3.7.1 Have any activities included in the project, or any that are substantially the same as those involved in the project, previously been the subject of an application or a decision under a specified Act?

Please note the term 'application' includes a notice of requirement and any other means by which a decision may be sought under a specified Act.

No

3.7.2 If an application has been made, provide details of the application.

3.7.3 If a decision has been made, also provide the outcome of the decision and the reasons for it.

3.7.4 Provide a description of whether and how the project would be affected by climate change and natural hazards:

The Project supports climate change mitigation through its compact, mixed-use urban form, which reduces the need for private vehicle travel by enabling access to housing, employment, services and public transport within a walkable catchment. The Urban Design Assessment highlights the integration of active transport networks and a spatial structure that promotes sustainable travel behaviour. The Project incorporates flood management and stormwater infrastructure, including an integrated wetland and flood detention area. These measures will reduce existing flood risk

and improve the resilience of the site and surrounding area to future climate-related events. The use of nature-based solutions, including wetland restoration and stream enhancement, provides both functional and environmental benefits.

Provide the additional details requested below as relevant to your application.

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3.8 Specific proposed approvals

3.8.1 Approvals under the Resource Management Act 1991

3.8.1.1 *Resource consents*

If your application is seeking a consent for an activity that would otherwise be applied for under the Resource Management Act 1991, including an activity that is prohibited under the Act, provide the information below:

- An assessment of the project against any relevant national policy statement, any relevant national environmental standards and, if relevant, the New Zealand Coastal Policy Statement.

REFER SECTION 4.4 OF THE REFERRAL REPORT FOR AN ASSESSMENT AGAINST THE NPS-UD, NPS-FM, NPS-NH, NPS-IB and NES-F

- Information on whether, to the best of your knowledge, there are any existing resource consents relevant to the project site to which RMA [section 124C\(1\)\(c\)](#) (existing consent would need to expire to enable the approval to be exercised) or RMA [section 165Z1](#) (space already occupied by the holder of an aquaculture permit) would apply if the approval were to be applied for as a resource consent under that Act

Resource consent applications have been lodged with both KCDC and GWRC for earthworks and subdivision activities associated with the previous masterplan that applied to the Site. While those applications remain live, they are currently on hold pending resolution of the RFIs.

No decisions have been issued in respect of those applications. Should the project proceed through the fast-track approvals process, the existing applications will be withdrawn.

3.8.1.2 *Resource consents where the project includes standard freshwater fisheries activities*

If your application is seeking a resource consent and your project includes a [standard freshwater fisheries activity](#), provide the information requested below:

- If an in-stream structure is proposed (including formal notification of any dam or diversion structure), provide a description of the extent to which this may impede fish passage.

The Project is anticipated to include one or more culvert crossings associated with the future transport and infrastructure network. The final location, extent

and design of these structures will be confirmed through detailed design and assessed as part of any substantive fast-track application.

The Applicant's intention is that all permanent in-stream structures will be designed to maintain fish passage and comply with the relevant requirements of the National Environmental Standards for Freshwater and recognised fish passage design guidance. As such, no permanent impediment to fish passage is anticipated.

Temporary impacts on fish passage may occur during the construction phase where works are undertaken within streams or drainage channels. These effects will be managed through appropriate construction methodologies, including temporary fish passage provisions where required, fish salvage and relocation, and other mitigation measures developed in consultation with the Department of Conservation.

The Applicant has identified the need for Complex Freshwater Fisheries Activity approvals and any associated fish salvage or relocation approvals required to facilitate these works.

- Indicate whether any fish salvage activities or other complex freshwater fisheries activities are proposed.

The Project is anticipated to include one or more culvert crossings associated with the future transport and infrastructure network. The final location, extent and design of these structures will be confirmed through detailed design and assessed as part of any substantive fast-track application.

The Applicant's intention is that all permanent in-stream structures will be designed to maintain fish passage and comply with the relevant requirements of the National Environmental Standards for Freshwater and recognised fish passage design guidance. As such, no permanent impediment to fish passage is anticipated.

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The Applicant has identified the need for Complex Freshwater Fisheries Activity approvals and any associated fish salvage or relocation approvals required to facilitate these works.

3.8.1.3 *Designations*

If your application is seeking a designation or an alteration to an existing designation for which a notice of requirement would otherwise be lodged under the Resource Management Act 1991, provide the information below:

- An assessment of the project against any relevant national policy statement, any relevant national environmental standards, or, if relevant, the New Zealand Coastal Policy Statement.

N/A

3.8.1.4 *Designations where the project includes a standard freshwater fisheries activity*

If your application is seeking a designation or an alteration to an existing designation and your project includes a [standard freshwater fisheries activity](#), provide the information requested below:

- If an in-stream structure is proposed (including formal notification of any dam or diversion structure), provide a description of the extent to which this may impede fish passage.

N/A

- Indicate whether any fish salvage activities or other complex freshwater fisheries activities are proposed.

N/A

3.8.1.5 *Change or cancellation of conditions*

If your application is seeking a change of cancellation of resource consent condition that would otherwise be applied for under the Resource Management Act 1991, provide:

- Information about whether the change or cancellation of the condition is material to the implementation or delivery of the project.

N/A

3.8.1.6 *Certificates of compliance*

If your application is seeking a certificate of compliance that would otherwise be applied for under the Resource Management Act 1991, provide:

information that demonstrates the activity that the certificate of compliance is intended to cover can be done lawfully in the location without a resource consent.

N/A

3.8.2 Approvals relating to [Conservation Act 1987](#), [Reserves Act 1977](#), [Wildlife Act 1953](#), and [National Parks Act 1980](#)

3.8.2.1 *Concessions*

For applications seeking a [concession](#) that include a lease, answer the following:

- Will the lease be for a term (including any renewals that will, or is likely to, be more than 50 years?
No
- Will the granting of the lease trigger a right of first refusal or a right of offer or return?
 - If you answered yes to both a. and b. above, provide evidence that the applicant has written agreement from the holder(s) of the right of first refusal or [right of offer or return](#) to waive that right for the purposes of the proposed lease.

3.8.2.2 *Land exchanges*

For applications seeking an approval for a land exchange involving conservation land, provide the details below:

No

- A description of both land areas proposed for exchange (for example, maps showing areas and location, addresses and legal descriptions where possible)
- The financial value of the land proposed to be acquired by the Crown
- A brief description of the conservation values of both pieces of land, including an explanation of why the exchange would benefit the conservation estate.
- If the land exchange would trigger a right of first refusal or a right of offer or return, provide evidence that the applicant has written agreement from the holder of the right of first refusal or right of offer or return to waive that right for the purpose of the land exchange
- Provide sufficient detail in respect of both land areas to confirm that no part of any land to be exchanged by the Crown is land listed in [Schedule 4](#) or a reserve declared to be a national reserve under [section 13](#) of the Reserves Act 1977.

3.8.3 Approvals relating to complex Freshwater Fisheries activities

If your application is seeking an approval or dispensation that would otherwise be applied for under regulation [42](#) or [43](#) of the Freshwater Fisheries Regulations 1983 in respect of a [complex freshwater fisheries activity](#) provide the information requested below:

- Whether an in-stream structure is proposed (including formal notification of any dam or diversion structure), and a description of the extent to which this may impede fish passage.

The Project is anticipated to include one or more culvert crossings associated with the future transport and infrastructure network. The final location, extent and design of these structures will be confirmed through detailed design and assessed as part of any substantive fast-track application.

The Applicant's intention is that all permanent in-stream structures will be designed to maintain fish passage and comply with the relevant requirements of the National Environmental Standards for Freshwater and recognised fish passage design guidance. As such, no permanent impediment to fish passage is anticipated.

Temporary impacts on fish passage may occur during the construction phase where works are undertaken within streams or drainage channels. These effects will be managed through appropriate construction methodologies, including temporary fish passage provisions where required, fish salvage and relocation, and other mitigation measures developed in consultation with the Department of Conservation.

The Applicant has identified the need for Complex Freshwater Fisheries Activity approvals and any associated fish salvage or relocation approvals required to facilitate these works.

- Whether any fish salvage activities or other complex freshwater fisheries activities are proposed.

The Project is anticipated to include one or more culvert crossings associated with the future transport and infrastructure network. The final location, extent and design of these structures will be confirmed through detailed design and assessed as part of any substantive fast-track application.

The Applicant's intention is that all permanent in-stream structures will be designed to maintain fish passage and comply with the relevant requirements of the National Environmental Standards for Freshwater and recognised fish passage design guidance. As such, no permanent impediment to fish passage is anticipated.

Temporary impacts on fish passage may occur during the construction phase where works are undertaken within streams or drainage channels. These effects will be managed through appropriate construction methodologies, including

temporary fish passage provisions where required, fish salvage and relocation, and other mitigation measures developed in consultation with the Department of Conservation.

The Applicant has identified the need for Complex Freshwater Fisheries Activity approvals and any associated fish salvage or relocation approvals required to facilitate these works.

3.8.4 Approvals relating to Exclusive Economic Zone and Continental Shelf (Environmental Effects) Act 2012

If your application is seeking a marine consent that would otherwise be applied for under the Exclusive Economic Zone and Continental Shelf Act 2012, provide the information requested below:

- Any information relating to whether the Minister for Conservation is an affected person.
N/A
- If the applicant or the proposed holder of the marine consent has already applied for a consent under the EEZ Act in relation to the project, provide:
 - Details of any application made;
 - An explanation of any decisions made on that application; and
 - Any information that Minister may consider under [section 22\(6\)](#) (comparison of activity against current or likely use of the area).

N/A

- Additional information (in a summary form) about compliance or enforcement action taken against the applicant or the person who is identified in the application as the proposed holder of the marine consent by the EPA under the EEZ Act.

N/A

3.8.5 Approvals relating to Crown Minerals Act 1991

3.8.5.1 *Access arrangements*

For an approval for an access arrangement that would otherwise be applied for under section 61 or 61B of the Crown Minerals Act 1991, provide:

- Information that confirms the applicant or the person identified in the application as the proposed holder of the access arrangement complies with [section 59\(1\)](#) and (2) of the Crown Minerals Act 1991 (which applies as if a reference to an access arrangement under that Act were a reference to an access arrangement under this Act) including;
 - Evidence that the applicant or person has provided each owner and occupier of the relevant land a notice in writing of their intention to obtain an access arrangement; and

- Evidence that the notice complies with the requirements in [section 59\(2\)](#) of the Crown Minerals Act, and any matters required by regulations. =

N/A

3.8.5.2 *Mining permits*

For an approval for a mining permit that would otherwise be applied for under [section 23A](#) of the Crown Minerals Act 1991, provide the information requested below:

- A copy of the relevant exploration permit or existing privilege to be exchanged for a mining permit that entitles the holder to mine a Crown-owned mineral.

N/A

- The name and contact details of the proposed permit participants and the proposed permit operator.

N/A

- A proposed work programme for the proposed permit, which may comprise committed work, committed or contingent work, or both.

N/A

- Evidence of the technical or financial capability of the proposed permit holder to comply with and give proper effect to the work programme.

N/A

- Information about the proposed permit holder's history of compliance with mining or similar permits and their conditions.

N/A

- The proposed date on which the substantive application is intended to be lodged (if your referral application is accepted) in accordance with [section 42\(11\)](#).

N/A

- If the authorised person proposes to provide information under [section 37](#) (to the relevant chief executive), the date on which the person intends to provide that information.

N/A

- The proposed duration of the permit.

N/A

3.8.5.3 *Mining permits for petroleum*

If the proposed approvals include a mining permit for petroleum, provide:

- A map of the area over which the mining permit application is intended to be made, the area in which the surrender of an exploration permit or existing privileges is proposed

(which must be the same area as the area over which the mining permit application is intended to be made), and the extent of the resource and reserves to which the development plan relates.

N/A

- The resources and reserves relating to the project, estimated in accordance with the Petroleum Resources Management System.

N/A

- A high-level overview of the following:
 - the proposed field development plan;
 - the proposed date for the commencement of petroleum production;
 - the economic model for the project;
 - the proposed duration of the proposed mining permit and;
 - decommissioning plans.

N/A

3.8.5.4 *Mining permits for minerals other than petroleum*

If the proposed approvals include a mining permit for minerals other than petroleum, provide:

- A map of the area over which the mining permit application is intended to be made, the area in which the surrender of an exploration permit or existing privileges is proposed (which must be the same area as the area over which the mining permit application is intended to be made), and the extent of the resource and reserves to which the development plan relates.

N/A

- For minerals other than gold or silver, a report or statement confirming the ownership of the minerals targeted

N/A

- Information on whether the application will be for a [Tier 1 or Tier 2 permit](#).

N/A

- An estimate of the mineral resources and reserves relating to the project, including a summary on acquisition of the data and the data underpinning the estimate (such as information on sample locations, grade, and geology). For a Tier 1 permit application the resources and reserves relating to the project are to be estimated in accordance with a recognised reporting code such as JORC or NI 43-101.

N/A

- An indicative mine plan.

N/A

- A high-level overview of the following:
 - the proposed mining method;
 - the proposed date for the commencement of mining and estimated annual production;
 - the economic model for the project;
 - the status of or anticipated timing for completing any pre-feasibility or feasibility studies;
 - the proposed methods for processing mined material and handling and treating waste and;
 - anticipated plans for mine closure and rehabilitation.

N/A

Section 4: Authorisation

To the best of my knowledge, the information contained in this application is true and correct.

I confirm that I am authorised to make this application - Yes

I have provided a copy of the application with all contact details redacted - Yes

I understand that all actual and reasonable costs incurred in relation to this application by MfE, EPA and other central and local government agencies will be recovered from me in accordance with [section 104](#) of the Act, and the [Fast-track Approvals Cost Recovery Regulations 2025](#) - Yes

Signature: *Stephanie Blick*

Date: 6/17/2026

Name: Stephanie Blick

Section 5: Attachments

List any documents submitted with the application.

- *Remember: include a copy of your application with all contact details redacted.*

Attachment number	Document name	Author	Document version

Referral application checklist

Use this checklist to confirm you have completed all sections of the referral application form.

Section 1: Applicant details	No
1.2 & 1.3 Agent's evidence of authority to represent the applicant(s) - if applicable	No
1.4 Compliance and enforcement history	No
Section 2: Referral application summary	No
2.1 Project name	No
2.2 Project description and location	No
2.3 Ineligible activity	No
2.4 Exemptions from requirement to provide agreement	No
2.5 Ministerial determinations under sections 23 and 24	No
2.6 Appropriateness for fast-track approvals process	No
Section 3: Project details	No
3.1 Approvals required	No
3.2 Project stages	No
3.3 Alternative project	No
3.4 Adverse effects	No
3.5 Persons affected	No

3.6 Legal interest	No
3.7 Other matters	No
3.8 Specific proposed approvals	No
Section 4: Authorisation	No
Section 5: Attachments	No