
MINUTE 11 OF THE EXPERT PANEL

Stella Passage Development FTAA-2512-1163

22 July 2026

[1] The purpose of this Minute is to:

- (a) set out the further information the Panel has directed the EPA to request;
- (b) request the Applicant's attendance at the hearing on 27 July 2026 to answer any questions the Panel may have in relation to the cumulative cultural effects and:
 - (i) any conditions that the panel may set in relation to the same; and
 - (ii) any conditions or modifications that the Applicant may agree to or propose to avoid, remedy, mitigate, offset, or compensate for the same.

Further information

[2] The Panel has directed the EPA to request the further information from the parties identified in **bold** as set out below:

- (a) As foreshadowed in Minute 5, legal submissions and/or planning evidence from **the Applicant** in response to the participants' comments as to whether the conditions offered on an *Augier* basis may instead fall within the scope of allowable conditions under s108AA(1)(b) of the RMA.

- (b) Confirmation from **the Department of Conservation** as to whether it agrees with the Applicant's response in paragraphs 5 - 7 of its memorandum of counsel dated 14 July 2026 and Appendix One to the same memorandum (on pages 18 – 19 of the PDF).
- (c) As requested in the Applicant's memorandum of counsel dated 22 July 2026, a response from **the Applicant** to the "new, discrete submissions" in the participants' responses referenced in its paragraph 2.

[3] The requested information is due by **5pm Friday 24 July 2026**.

Hearing

- [4] The Panel is conducting a hearing on the cultural effects (including methods to avoid, remedy or mitigate the same through conditions) of concern to the parties invited to comment on 27 – 29 July 2026.
- [5] It is now apparent there will be time available within the hearing schedule for the Panel to also hear from the Applicant on matters that arise at the hearing. The Panel would be grateful if the Applicant could arrange for the following witnesses to be in attendance on Wednesday afternoon for this purpose:

- (a) Shadrach Rolleston
- (b) Daniel Kneebone
- (c) Luke Faithfull



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Stella Passage Development Expert Panel Chair