

Volume 2F: Proposed Archaeology Authority Conditions (October 2025)

Definitions and terms used in Archaeological Authorities

Abbreviation/term	Meaning
ACSMP	Archaeological and Cultural Sites Management Plan
Act	Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Act 2014
Authority Holder	NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi
Construction Works	Those works which are necessary to construct and establish the Project and which affects an archaeological site, excluding Early Works and Geotechnical Investigations which are respectively authorised under Archaeological Authorities 2026-064 and 2025-324-342
HNZPT	Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga
NZAA	New Zealand Archaeological Association
Project	State Highway 1 North Canterbury – Woodend Bypass Project (Belfast to Pegasus)
Whitiora	Whitiora Centre Limited: Mandated by Te Ngāi Tūāhuriri Rūnanga to provide advice on and in relation to this Archaeological Authority
Working Day	A day of the week other than— (a) a Saturday, a Sunday, Waitangi Day, Good Friday, Easter Monday, Anzac Day, the Sovereign’s birthday, Te Rā Aro ki a Matariki/Matariki Observance Day, and Labour Day; and (b) if Waitangi Day or Anzac Day falls on a Saturday or a Sunday, the following Monday; and (c) a day in the period commencing on 20 December in any year and ending with 10 January in the following year.

Conditions

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AA.1	The Authority shall expire 20 years after the date the Authority is granted.
AA.2	The Authority Holder shall advise HNZPT of the date when Construction Works will first commence at least 2 Working Days before commencement.
AA.3	The Authority Holder shall advise HNZPT of the completion of Construction Works within 5 Working Days of completion.
AA.4	<p>(a) Pursuant to section 45(1) of the Act and schedule 8 clause 7 of the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024, Dr Jeremy Habberfield-Short (or delegated person) is approved to carry out any archaeological work required as a condition of this Authority, and to compile and submit a report under a condition of this Authority.</p> <p>(b) If it is necessary at any time, and for any reason, to replace the approved person under this Authority, the Authority Holder must, by written application to HNZPT, seek approval for another nominated person to carry out that activity.</p>
AA.5	<p>(a) The Authority Holder shall prepare an Archaeological and Cultural Sites Management Plan (ACSMP) in consultation with Whitiora.</p> <p>(b) The ACSMP may be prepared for the entirety of the Project or for individual Project stages.</p> <p>(c) The purpose of the ACSMP is to require the Authority Holder to undertake construction in a manner that ensures the use of appropriate training, methods, protocols, and procedures in relation to the possible presence of archaeological sites or material that may be discovered during construction and the appropriate investigation and recording of any archaeological resources discovered during the construction of the Project (or stages of the Project).</p> <p>(d) The ACSMP shall include:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. Provision for Whitiora cultural monitoring to take place during archaeological investigations; ii. Procedures for reporting items, artifacts, and / or other archaeological finds to Whitiora and HNZPT; and iii. Procedures in the case of any koiwi finds, including advice to the NZ Police. <p>(e) At least 30 Working Days before starting Construction Works (or the stage of work to which the ACSMP applies), the ACSMP shall be submitted to HNZPT for certification that the ACSMP satisfies the requirements of AA.5(c) and (d). In the event HNZPT has not within 30 Working Days certified the ACSMP or advised that the ACSMP is not suitable to certify, the ACSMP will be deemed to have been certified, and the Consent Holder may commence Construction Works in accordance with the ACSMP.</p> <p>(f) The certified ACSMP shall be implemented and complied with for the duration of the Construction Works (or the stage of work to which the ACSMP applies).</p> <p>(g) Material changes to the certified ACSMP must be submitted in writing to HNZPT for certification in accordance with AA.5(e). Minor changes may be made at any time to the ACSMP without any further process.</p>
AA.6	<p>(a) Any archaeological evidence encountered during the exercise of this Archaeological Authority must be investigated, recorded and analysed in accordance with the ACSMP, prior to that evidence being modified or destroyed.</p> <p>(b) Within 20 Working Days of the completion an investigation under clause (a), the Authority Holder shall ensure that:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> i. An interim report, following the Archaeological Report Guideline (AGS12 2023), is submitted to HNZPT for inclusion in the HNZPT Archaeological Reports Digital Library. ii. Site records are updated or submitted to the NZAA Site Recording Scheme.

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AA.7	Archaeological work must be undertaken in conformity with any tikanga Māori protocols agreed between the Authority Holder and Whitiara and included in the ACSMP.
AA.8	At 6 months after commencement of the Construction Works under this Authority, and at 6 month intervals thereafter for the duration of the Construction Works, the Authority Holder shall submit to HNZPT and Whitiara written updates on the progress of the Construction Works.
AA.9	Within 24 months of the completion of all Construction Works, the Authority Holder shall submit a final report to HNZPT that synthesises information about the overall Project results, for inclusion in HNZPT's Archaeological Reports Digital Library, and to Whitiara. A copy must also be provided to the NZAA Central Filekeeper.