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**MINUTE 6 OF THE KAIMAI HYDRO-ELECTRIC  
POWER SCHEME EXPERT PANEL**

**Receipt of Sediment Monitoring Plan  
and Request for information**

**FTAA-2502-1024**

**30 January 2026**

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[1] On 23 January 2026, the Kaimai Hydro-Electric Power Scheme Expert Panel (Expert Panel) received a Memorandum of Counsel on behalf of the Applicant, along with the draft Sediment Monitoring Plan. This material was provided in response to a request for information made by the Expert Panel during the Applicant's briefing on 20 January 2026.

[2] These documents have been received and considered by the Expert Panel, which has resolved to accept them.

[3] In addition, the Expert Panel requests the following information from the Applicant under section 67 of the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024 (the Act):

Wetlands

- (a) Identify the source of the wetland information contained in section 3.12.2 of the Substantive Application.
- (b) Provide a map showing the location of wetlands, clearly distinguishing between wetlands managed under the National Policy Statement for Freshwater Management 2020 and other wetlands.
- (c) Describe what assessment has been undertaken of the effects of the Hydro-Electric Power Scheme on these wetlands.

## Resource Consents

- (d) Clarify if the current resource consents are materially different from those granted under the Water and Soil Conservation Act 1967. In particular, have there been any material changes to the consents under the Resource Management Act 1991.

[4] The information requested must be provided by Monday 9 February 2026. If the information requested is not received, the Panel must proceed as if the request for further information has been declined in accordance with section 67(6) of the Act.

[5] The Expert Panel directs the EPA to publish all documents received, including the draft Sediment Monitoring Plan, on the Fast-track website here: <https://www.fasttrack.govt.nz/projects/kaimai-hydro-electric-power-scheme-re-consenting/correspondence>



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