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### **Letter acknowledging withdrawal for State Highway 1 North Canterbury—Woodend Bypass Project (Belfast to Pegasus)**

On 27 October 2025, NZ Transport Agency (the applicant) lodged an application for fast-track approvals for the State Highway 1 North Canterbury—Woodend Bypass Project (Belfast to Pegasus) with the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) under the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024 (the Act).

On 10 November 2025 the applicant formally notified the EPA of the withdrawal of the State Highway 1 North Canterbury—Woodend Bypass Project (Belfast to Pegasus) application. This letter serves to acknowledge the withdrawal and to inform the applicant that the completeness assessment under section 46(1) of the Act has been terminated as of the same date.

#### **What happens from here**

The EPA must recover all actual and reasonable costs incurred by the EPA and other administering agencies and consenting authorities in processing your application to date, from the application fee you paid when you submitted your application. Once those total costs are known to the EPA, the EPA will refund the balance of your application fee to you as soon as possible.

If you choose to lodge an application for this project again, the EPA will need to treat it as a new application in accordance with section 46(5)(a) of the Act. You will need to pay the full application fee if you choose to lodge an application for this project again.

If you lodge an application for this project again, the EPA will consider the issue of the levy for your new application.

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Nāku noa, nā



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