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The Auckland Conservation Board Te Rūnanga Papa Atawhai o Tāmaki Makaurau

Feedback on the proposed conditions for the Fast-Track Drury Quarry Expansion - Sutton Block (FTAA- 2503-1037)

Kia ora,

Thank you for the opportunity to provide feedback on the draft conditions for the Drury Quarry Expansion - Sutton Block (FTAA- 2503-1037).

Our feedback is as follows:

- 1. With regard to native lizard conservation, we are pleased to see that agreement has been reached between the applicant and DOC over all aspects of the Lizard Management Plan, including our previously stated concerns about:
 - timeframe for the wildlife approval
 - inclusion of mouse control as part of pest control measures
 - more, and earlier-established eco-stack artificial habitats

However, we note the following:

- A 15-year timeframe has now been proposed for the wildlife approval, but a maximum 10-year timeframe is the recommended period for such approvals, given the enormous environmental and technological changes that may occur over that period.
- There is still no mention in any of the documentation (Appendix A Draft Resource Consent Conditions, Appendix B Draft wildlife approvals and conditions, or Schedule 4 Revised Lizard Management Plan) of the necessary inclusion of mouse control as part of pest control measures. There is only stated: "Control of pest predators including possums, rats and mustelids". It appears that Appendix A and the Lizard Management Plan still require further revision to include this requirement.
- 2. We are pleased to see that apparently sufficient conservation monitoring and safeguards have been agreed to for bats, avifauna, freshwater fauna, and native revegetation.
- 3. Given its crucial importance, we again urge the relevant authorities to maintain vigilant monitoring of the required conditions over the lifespan of this project.

Thank you for your consideration of the above feedback.



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