
**MINUTE 3 OF THE KAIMAI HYDRO-ELECTRIC
POWER SCHEME EXPERT PANEL**

Applicant Overview Briefing and Site Visit

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[1] The purpose of this Minute is to confirm the time and details for a briefing from the Applicant on the Kaimai Hydro-Electric Power Scheme Reconsenting application and a subsequent site visit to the site.

Overview Conference

[2] The Applicant will be providing an online briefing to the Panel on Tuesday 20th January 2026, from 12:00 – 2.00 pm.

[3] The purpose of the briefing is to familiarise the Expert Panel with:

- (a) The Kaimai Hydro-Electric Power Scheme and its operation;
- (b) Any changes to the Scheme and operation proposed through the reconsenting application;
- (c) Any agreements reached with parties affecting the proposed operation of the Scheme and conditions of consent (not reflected in the application); and
- (d) the content and structure of proposed conditions.

[4] During the briefing:

- (a) the Applicant will present a high-level overview of the matters listed above; and
- (b) the Expert Panel will have the opportunity to ask questions about these

matters, noting that Panel members will have familiarised themselves with the documents by the time of the briefing.

[5] To facilitate the overview, the Applicant may wish to provide a short PowerPoint presentation (or similar), and to speak to it during the briefing. This and any other material intended to be used during the presentation must be provided to EPA by 4pm Friday 16th January 2026.

[6] In the interests of transparency, and to provide potential commenters with the same information as that provided to the Panel, the briefing will be open to other parties (being those who have been invited to comment) to observe.

[7] The briefing will also be recorded and made available on the Fast-track website following the briefing.

[8] Confirmation of attendance are to be filed at: info@fasttrack.govt.nz by 4pm Friday 16th January 2026.

Site Visit

[9] The Panel also wishes to note that a site visit will be undertaken on Tuesday, 10 February 2026, to allow them to view the existing scheme.

If you require any further information, please contact the EPA's Application Lead, Keely Paler, at: info@fasttrack.govt.nz.

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Gerald Lanning

Kaimai Hydro-Electric Power Scheme Expert Panel Chair