

APPENDIX 4

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Northland Shipyard and Drydock Project

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1. Introduction

This report records consultation and engagement undertaken by the Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment (MBIE) and the Project team during preparation of the substantive application for the Northland Shipyard and Drydock Project (Project) at Marsden Point, Whangārei Harbour. It supports the summary of consultation and engagement in Section 2.7 of the substantive application and provides the more detailed record referred to in that section.

Engagement has occurred progressively as the Project design and supporting technical assessments have developed. It has included statutory notification and consultation required for the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024 (FTAA) process, together with wider engagement with tangata whenua, iwi and hapū, Marine and Coastal Area (Takutai Moana) Act 2011 (MACA) applicants, local authorities, statutory agencies, adjacent operators, infrastructure providers, industry participants, community organisations and other interested parties.

This report records the position as at 19 August 2026. Engagement that remains underway at that date is identified accordingly.

2. Statutory and engagement context

The engagement programme has included both consultation undertaken to satisfy applicable pre-lodgement statutory requirements and wider voluntary engagement intended to provide information about the Project, identify matters requiring assessment, obtain feedback and establish channels for continuing engagement.

The parties identified for the purposes of section 29 of the FTAA are listed separately in Appendix 3 to the substantive application. Relevant consultation has also included MACA applicant interests and tangata whenua associated with areas subject to customary fishing arrangements under Part 9 of the Fisheries Act 1996. Written notice was provided on 26 June 2026 in relation to the Fisheries (Kaimoana Customary Fishing) Notice (No. 1) 2009 (No. F482) and the Fisheries (Notification of Tāngata Kaitiaki/Tiaki for Area/Rohe Moana of Ngāti Kahu, Te Parawhau, Ngāti Tu and Patuharakeke) Notice 2021 (Notice No. MPI 1353).

The level of engagement has differed between parties. Some parties have participated in repeated meetings, hui and technical discussions, while others were notified or provided with information and

did not seek further engagement. The sections below distinguish between substantive engagement and notification or information provision where that distinction is material.

3. Engagement approach

Initial consultation correspondence was issued in May 2026. Further Project information was provided progressively as plans and technical assessments became available. Engagement methods included:

- Written notification and consultation correspondence;
- Follow up correspondence and information exchange;
- Kanohi ki te kanohi hui and in-person meetings;
- Online meetings;
- A recorded Project webinar and presentation material;
- Provision of concept designs, Project plans and technical assessments;
- Opportunities for direct engagement with Project specialists and technical advisers;
- Discussion of Cultural Impact Assessment (CIA) requirements, scope, timing and resourcing;
- Review and discussion of draft consent conditions, management plans and other Project responses;
- Review of cultural assessment material by relevant Project specialists to determine whether technical assessments or Project responses required further amendment; and
- Continuing engagement as Project design and assessment material developed.

Technical information has necessarily been provided in stages. Where a party sought additional material to inform its review or cultural assessment, the Project team has continued to make material available as it has been completed.

4. Tangata whenua, iwi and hapū engagement

4.1 Overview

Engagement has included Patuharakeke, Te Parawhau, Ngātiwai and Ngāti Tu, together with other MACA applicant interests associated with Whangārei Harbour, Marsden Point / Poupouwhenua, Te Ākau / Bream Bay and the wider coastal environment. Initial correspondence was sent to relevant MACA applicant and tangata whenua contacts in May 2026, followed by further contact, meetings and provision of Project information where responses were received.

The principal matters raised through tangata whenua engagement include the cultural significance of Whangārei Te Rerenga Parāoa and Poupouwhenua, mauri and ecological health, mahinga kai and customary use, access and relationships with the coastal marine area, the effects of reclamation and dredging, cumulative effects, marine ecology and avifauna, cultural monitoring and the ongoing role of tangata whenua in environmental monitoring and management. Engagement has also addressed employment, training, capability development and participation in Project related activities.

4.2 Patuharakeke

Patuharakeke has been a continuing participant in the engagement process. Initial Project and engagement discussions occurred in early June 2026, followed by a Project meeting on 10 June 2026 addressing the Project overview, FTAA process, cultural values, potential Project effects and the proposed pathway for preparation of a CIA. Subsequent engagement addressed CIA scope, technical review requirements, resourcing and provision of Project information.

An interim CIA has been prepared by Patuharakeke. It identifies Patuharakeke's relationship with the Project area as mana whenua, ahi kā and kaitiaki and raises concerns regarding permanent modification of Whangārei Te Rerenga Parāoa and Poupouwhenua, ecological and cultural effects, access and relationships with the harbour and cumulative effects. The interim CIA records that further information, engagement and consideration of mitigation and other responses are required.

MBIE and Project representatives met with Patuharakeke again on 12 August 2026. Patuharakeke identified additional technical information required to progress its CIA, including marine ecology and benthic ecology information, coastal processes material, concept design information and the

substantive application. The Project team has made all relevant material available as soon as practicable to assist completion of the CIA.

The 12 August meeting also included discussion of the proposed mātaihai reserve application (currently in process). Patuharakeke indicated that it did not presently consider the Project to present an issue for the reserve application because the reserve concerns fishing rights and advised that the proposed reserve would be addressed in its CIA. MBIE and Patuharakeke agreed to maintain dialogue concerning any interface between the two processes.

Patuharakeke representatives also attended a site visit with NorthPort and MBIE Project staff on 14 August 2026. The visit provided an opportunity to view the Project site and gain clarity of the interactions with the surrounding port environment, with a number of questions raised and answered in real time by NorthPort and MBIE Project staff.

Patuharakeke also expressed an interest in establishing an enduring relationship over the life of the Project, which could be explored further post-lodgement.

The final Patuharakeke CIA remains in preparation at the date of this report. Further engagement and provision of technical information are continuing.

The interim CIA was also provided to relevant Project specialists to consider whether the cultural values, species, habitats and effects identified required any amendment to the technical assessments or additional specialist reporting. The Project's avifauna specialist, Leigh Bull, advised on 17 August 2026 that the bird species and habitats referred to in the interim CIA were already addressed in the avifauna assessment and that the CIA did not identify any matter requiring that assessment to be amended. The Project's landscape architect, Stephen Brown, also reviewed the interim CIA against his existing landscape, natural character and visual assessment. He advised that there is considerable overlap between the cultural landscape matters identified in the CIA and those already recognised in his assessment. In his view, the CIA provides additional explanation of the cultural meaning, significance and interconnectedness of a number of places and features within Whangārei Harbour and the wider landscape and seascape setting, but does not require him to reconsider or materially qualify the conclusions of his existing assessment. The Project's archaeology specialist similarly did not identify a need for additional information or addendum reporting. The

interim CIA was also provided to the marine ecology specialist for review. No response had been received at the date of this report.

4.3 Te Parawhau

Engagement with Te Parawhau included an initial in-person meeting on 4 June 2026 and a further meeting on 10 June 2026 involving representatives of Te Pouwhenua o Tiakiriri Kūkupa Trust and other hapū representatives. Discussions addressed the Project, the FTAA process, cultural values and aspirations associated with the Project area, potential environmental and cultural effects, and the proposed approach to ongoing engagement and cultural assessment.

Subsequent engagement included discussion of technical information and specialist review requirements, the scope and resourcing of cultural assessment work, and broader aspirations and potential benefits associated with the Project. Matters discussed included commercial participation, employment and training, scholarships and capability building, intergenerational economic development and potential mechanisms for iwi and hapū participation in future Project related activities.

Te Parawhau representatives also attended a site visit with NorthPort and MBIE Project staff on 14 August 2026. The visit supported site familiarisation and enabled questions about the Project, port context and operational interface to be raised and answered by NorthPort and the MBIE Project team.

MBIE is continuing to look for opportunities to engage with Te Parawhau.

4.4 Ngātiwai

Ngātiwai representatives participated in an initial in-person meeting on 4 June 2026 and a further meeting on 10 June 2026. Discussions addressed the Project and FTAA process, cultural values associated with the harbour environment, potential environmental and cultural effects, information requirements and the approach to ongoing engagement.

Further discussions addressed the scope, timing and resourcing of cultural assessment work and the volume of technical information associated with the application. Ngātiwai advised that executive level summaries would assist its review of the technical material. Project information has continued to be provided as it has become available.

MBIE is continuing to engage with Ngātiwai.

4.5 Ngāti Tu

Ngāti Tu was included in the wider consultation and customary fishing notification process. In August, 2026 Ngāti Tu requested a hui and substantive direct engagement commenced.

MBIE and Project representatives met online with three representatives of Ngāti Tu on 13 August 2026. Ngāti Tu advised that it considers itself to be mana whenua in relation to the Project area and described the Project site as being within the heart of its rohe. Ngāti Tu advised that it considers preparation of a CIA to be essential and wishes to prepare one for the Project.

Ngāti Tu sought (and was provided) immediate access to the available technical reports to understand the environmental effects of the Project and inform preparation of its CIA. It also sought information about engagement undertaken with other tangata whenua entities and the basis on which of them had been engaged to undertake cultural assessment work. Ngāti Tu expressed an expectation of an ongoing partnership relationship with the Project and raised the proposed mātaihai reserve and its potential interface with the Project.

Following the 13 August 2026 meeting, MBIE and Project representatives continued correspondence with Ngāti Tu to provide detailed information, technical material and context on the engagement undertaken to date, including the basis on which other tangata whenua groups had been engaged. Further engagement is expected to support Ngāti Tu's consideration of the CIA process and any ongoing relationship arrangements.

Ngāti Tu advised that its hapū was to meet shortly to consider how it wished to engage with projects of this nature.

4.6 Other tangata whenua, iwi, hapū and MACA interests

Statutory notification and consultation information was also provided to a wider group of iwi, hapū, MACA applicants, legal representatives and other parties with identified interests in the wider coastal environment. These included, among others, Ngāti Hine, Ngāti Whātua, Ngāti Kahu, Ngāti Pūkenga, Ngāti Rehia and Ngāpuhi interests, together with legal representatives for a number of MACA applicants. Some parties requested further information or clarification, while others did not seek substantive further engagement.

Where the engagement was limited to notification or information provision, the detailed chronological record in Section 11 records that contact without implying that substantive consultation occurred.

4.7 Cultural assessment status

As of 19 August 2026, the principal cultural assessment processes remain active. The final Patuharakeke CIA is in preparation following provision of an interim CIA and further requests for technical information. Ngāti Tu has advised that it wishes to prepare a CIA and has sought access to the technical assessments to progress that work. Engagement with Te Parawhau and Ngātiwai regarding cultural assessment and participation has also continued. Further cultural information / feedback is expected to become available during the FTAA process.

Between 7 and 14 August 2026, further engagement focused on receipt and circulation of cultural assessment material, confirmation of outstanding or updated technical reports and management plans, coordination of site visit logistics, and ensuring tangata whenua representatives had access to the information needed to inform their review. This included follow-up with Patuharakeke regarding the interim CIA and technical report availability, and the commencement of direct engagement with Ngāti Tu following contact through MBIE channels.

The interim Patuharakeke CIA has also been provided to relevant Project specialists for consideration against their technical assessments. As described in Section 4.2, the avifauna and archaeology reviews did not identify a need for changes or addendum reporting. The landscape review similarly did not identify any need to reconsider or materially qualify the existing landscape, natural character or visual assessment, while recognising that the CIA provides additional cultural context concerning the significance and interconnectedness of places and features within the wider harbour landscape and seascape. This specialist review provides a further mechanism by which matters raised through the cultural assessment process have been considered against the substantive application and supporting technical material.

5. Local authorities and statutory agencies

5.1 Northland Regional Council

NRC was formally notified and has participated in direct engagement concerning the Project. A meeting with the NRC Consents Manager was held in June 2026. Discussion addressed the FTAA consenting pathway, anticipated consent requirements, environmental assessment requirements and opportunities for further technical input. NRC's statutory section 30 notice is included as Appendix 5 to the substantive application.

Engagement has continued as the application and draft conditions have developed. Draft NRC consent conditions were provided to NRC on 14 August 2026 for review and comment. No feedback on those draft conditions had been received at the date of this report.

5.2 Whangārei District Council

WDC was engaged early in the Project through formal notification and direct meetings with senior Council and planning representatives. A meeting in June 2026 addressed the FTAA process, an overview of the Project, preliminary planning and consenting matters and Council information requirements. Engagement has continued through preparation of the application. Draft WDC consent conditions were provided to WDC on 14 August 2026 for review and comment. No feedback on those draft conditions had been received at the date of this report.

WDC has also considered the proposed use of the portion of unformed legal road required for the Project footprint. By letter dated 2 July 2026, WDC confirmed its approval in principle for use of that portion of the unformed section of Papich Road. The approval in principle is based on the necessary public works and road stopping processes being undertaken by the consent holder at no cost to Council if the Project proceeds, and on replacement public access around the new reclamation being developed and remaining available to the public. The substantive application recognises these separate processes and provides for continuation of public access around the Project site.

5.3 Department of Conservation

DOC was formally notified and participated in a number of meetings and correspondence concerning ecological, wildlife and conservation matters. Engagement included consideration of the Marsden Spit Government Purpose Wildlife Management Reserve boundary, the approvals required for protected wildlife and the management of kororā / little blue penguin.

As the Project was refined, the approval pathway was clarified. DOC agreed, on the information available to it, with the advice that the mean high water boundary had moved and that no DOC concession is required. The substantive application seeks a Wildlife Act 1953 approval for specified activities involving kororā / little blue penguin.

DOC subsequently provided a written pre-lodgement consultation summary. In relation to kororā, DOC recommended that the release or translocation location be confirmed through the Kororā Management Plan and raised the need to address any destroyed burrows or loss of penguin habitat. DOC otherwise considered the KMP to be reasonably thorough in relation to kororā detection, harm avoidance and the criteria governing any movement of birds.

The Project's avifauna specialist considered DOC's comments on 19 August 2026. She advised that confirming an appropriate translocation location is standard practice and identified the top of the Wildlife Reserve and areas on the edges of Blacksmith Creek above MHWS as possible locations. Her advice is that a location close to the Project site is preferred, where practicable, to minimise the duration of any translocation and associated stress to birds. Further discussion with DOC is proposed to confirm an appropriate location.

In response to DOC's comments concerning burrows and habitat, the avifauna specialist advised that approximately four kororā nest boxes can be installed at the agreed translocation location. This reflects the low likelihood of birds actually being displaced from the existing revetment. The proposed revetment will replace the existing revetment and is not therefore expected to result in a net loss of revetment habitat, while the nest boxes will provide additional nesting opportunities.

DOC also provided comments on the proposed Wildlife Act approval, including revised wording for clause 3.1 concerning the personnel authorised to handle kororā. That amendment has been incorporated into the proposed Wildlife Act approval. DOC also identified ongoing interests in marine mammals, underwater and construction noise, turbidity, marine ecosystems, avifauna, cumulative effects, environmental monitoring and management, and the relationship of the Project to the Wildlife Reserve and nearby bird habitat. These matters are addressed through the relevant technical assessments, management plans and proposed conditions forming part of the substantive application. Relevant assessments requested by DoC have been provided.

Engagement with DOC will continue where further detail or implementation matters remain to be resolved.

5.4 NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi

NZTA was provided with Project transport material and reviewed the Integrated Transport Assessment and Operational Traffic Management Plan. Written comments dated 23 July 2026 advised that NZTA does not oppose the Project on transport grounds, subject to appropriate management of construction traffic and the proposed transport conditions. NZTA accepted the assessment of operational effects on State Highway 15 and relevant intersections on the basis of the proposal assessed, and requested reassessment if the proposed staff parking arrangements materially change. The NZTA correspondence is included as Appendix 37 to the substantive application.

5.5 Environmental Protection Authority

A pre-application meeting was held with the EPA on 16 July 2026. The meeting concerned administration and procedural requirements under the FTAA and preparation for lodgement.

5.6 Other agencies

Project information or statutory notification was also provided to other government agencies identified in the engagement record. Where those contacts did not develop into substantive Project-specific engagement, they are recorded in the chronological schedule without additional narrative in this report.

6. Adjacent operators, infrastructure providers and industry stakeholders

Project information has been provided to, and engagement has occurred with, adjacent operators, infrastructure providers and industry participants. These include Northport, Channel Infrastructure NZ, KiwiRail, Ferry Holdings, North Tugz, Marsden Cove Limited, and NZ Defence Force identified in the engagement record.

6.1 Northport

Engagement with Northport has been particularly relevant because the Project will adjoin the existing port and will interface with Northport's existing and consented activities and infrastructure. Discussions have extensively addressed Project design, navigation and vessel requirements, Northport's consented eastern expansion, dredging and the use and allocation of dredged material, stormwater and other infrastructure interfaces, access, servicing and operational coordination.

Northport has also provided a response under section 30 of the FTAA to the Northland Regional Council in relation to the Project. That response forms part of the formal pre-lodgement consultation record and addresses matters relevant to Northport's existing and consented activities and the interface between those activities and the Project.

Draft consent conditions were provided to Northport on 17 August 2026 for review and comment. Northport provided feedback on the draft conditions on 18 August 2026. That feedback was reviewed by the Project team and changes were made to the proposed conditions where appropriate in response to the matters raised.

The substantive application does not seek to change or cancel existing Northport consent conditions. Any separate consent holder approval, infrastructure agreement or condition variation required to implement a particular interface will be addressed separately.

6.2 Other infrastructure and industry parties

Engagement with Channel Infrastructure NZ, KiwiRail, Ferry Holdings, North Tugz, Marsden Cove interests and other industry parties has principally concerned the Project concept, operational or infrastructure interfaces, vessel servicing requirements, navigation, access and the exchange of relevant Project information. The nature and extent of contact with individual parties is recorded in Section 11.

Comments made by industry parties regarding demand, commercial prospects or operational requirements are recorded as engagement information only. The assessment of Project benefits and demand in the substantive application relies on the relevant technical and economic assessments.

7. Community and other interested party engagement

7.1 Ruakākā Ratepayers Association

MBIE engaged with the Ruakākā Ratepayers Association as an identified community interest group. An in-person meeting was held on 11 July 2026 with an Association representative. Matters raised included potential operational noise and operating hours, visual effects associated with the drydock and marine infrastructure, interactions with recreational harbour users, effects on existing jetty and walkway facilities, traffic generation, road safety and cycling in the Ruakākā / Marsden Point area.

The Association requested further engagement with a presentation to committee members, this was scheduled for the Association's August monthly meeting. MBIE representatives attended the Ruakākā Recreation Centre on 11 August 2026 which was attended by committee members and the public following invitations issued by the Association through its own channels. There were several questions and concerns raised, aligning to those outlined above, the discussion was respectful and constructive. Community members expressed a strong interest in remaining informed as the project progresses and requested continued updates as further information becomes available.

The community was advised that the Fast-track application was expected to be lodged within the coming weeks.

7.2 Whangārei Heads Citizens Association

The Whangārei Heads Citizens Association was provided with Project information, webinar access and supporting material. Telephone discussions and follow up contact were also undertaken.

An in-person meeting was held on 21 July 2026 held with the President of the Association and a committee member who joined by phone for the initial part of the meeting. Discussion included environmental effects, operational noise, landscape and visual effects, potential impacts on residents and residential amenity, commercial viability, and community awareness. Information was provided to assist the Association in communicating Project information to its members.

7.3 Albany Road residents

MBIE met with representatives of Albany Road residents on 2 August 2026. The meeting provided an overview of the Project and an opportunity for residents to identify matters of concern. Initial discussion included potential environmental and amenity effects (primarily visual effects and noise). Residents sought to remain informed as the Project progresses and ongoing contact was agreed. Some residents were also in attendance at the Ruakākā Ratepayers Association community meeting on 11 August 2026.

7.4 Other community and interested parties

Other community, individual and interested party contacts are recorded in the detailed engagement schedule. Where contact was limited to provision of Project information or an invitation to engage, no broader position is attributed to the recipient.

8. Key matters raised through consultation

The matters raised vary between parties, but recurring themes include:

- Cultural values, mauri, mahinga kai, customary use and the relationship of tangata whenua with Whangārei Harbour and Poupouwhenua;
- Reclamation, dredging and the cumulative effects of further modification of the harbour;

- Marine ecology, benthic ecology, avifauna and other ecological effects;
- Cultural monitoring, kaitiaki involvement and ongoing participation in environmental management;
- The proposed mātaihai reserve and customary fishing interests;
- Kororā management, including harm avoidance, translocation arrangements and provision of replacement or additional nesting opportunities;
- Navigation and operational interfaces with existing harbour users and infrastructure;
- Interfaces with existing legal road, reserve and other land tenure or statutory boundaries;
- Construction and operational noise, including the character and timing of vessel maintenance activities;
- Landscape, visual and residential amenity effects;
- Recreation, public access and fishing facilities;
- Traffic, road safety and cycling;
- Navigation and operational interfaces with existing harbour users and infrastructure;
- Stormwater, water quality and environmental controls;
- Employment, training, capability development and commercial participation opportunities;
- Construction timeframes and expected delivery programme;
- Commercial feasibility of the operation and anticipated demand; and
- Ongoing communication, information sharing, monitoring and participation.

9. Project responses to consultation

Consultation has provided an opportunity for matters raised by tangata whenua, statutory agencies, local authorities, neighbouring operators, community organisations and other parties to be considered as the Project design, technical assessments, consent conditions and management responses have developed. The response has differed according to the nature and timing of the feedback received. In some cases consultation has resulted in a refinement to proposed conditions

or management measures. In others, further specialist review has confirmed that a matter is already addressed by the Project design or technical assessment. Some matters remain subject to continuing engagement.

The principal matters raised and Project responses are summarised in the table below.

Matter raised	Party / source	Project response	Where addressed
Cultural values, mauri, mahinga kai, customary use and the relationship of tangata whenua with Whangārei Te Rerenga Parāoa and Poupouwhenua	Patuharakeke and other tangata whenua engagement	Cultural assessment processes have been supported through provision of Project information, technical assessments, specialist access and discussion of CIA scope and resourcing. The interim Patuharakeke CIA was circulated to relevant Project specialists to ensure the matters identified were addressed in technical assessments.	Substantive application; interim CIA; relevant technical assessments; proposed cultural conditions and monitoring provisions
Matters identified in the interim Patuharakeke CIA relevant to avifauna	Patuharakeke CIA	The Project's avifauna specialist reviewed the interim CIA and confirmed that the species and habitats referred to were already addressed in the avifauna assessment and that no amendment or addendum was required.	Avifauna assessment
Matters identified in the interim Patuharakeke CIA relevant to landscape and archaeology	Patuharakeke CIA	The Project's landscape and archaeology specialists reviewed the interim CIA against their existing assessments. The landscape architect advised that the CIA substantially overlaps with cultural landscape matters already recognised in his assessment and does not require him to reconsider or materially qualify its conclusions. He also	Landscape assessment; archaeological assessment

		identified that the CIA provides additional understanding of the cultural significance and interconnectedness of places and features within the wider harbour landscape and seascape. The archaeology specialist did not identify a need for additional information or addendum reporting.	
Matters identified in the interim Patuharakeke CIA relevant to marine ecology	Patuharakeke CIA	The interim CIA was provided to the marine ecology specialist for review. No response had been received as at 19 August 2026.	Marine ecology assessment; ongoing engagement
Cultural monitoring and ongoing tangata whenua participation	Patuharakeke and wider tangata whenua engagement	The Project condition framework has been developed to provide for cultural monitoring and tangata whenua involvement in relevant environmental management and monitoring. Discussion on the detailed form of those arrangements remains ongoing.	Proposed NRC conditions; management plan framework
Reclamation, dredging, marine ecology and cumulative modification of the harbour	Tangata whenua, DOC, community engagement, and industry parties	These matters have been the subject of detailed marine ecology, coastal processes, avifauna, marine mammal, dredging and other technical assessment. The application identifies the residual effects that cannot be avoided and the measures proposed to avoid, minimise or otherwise manage effects. Consultation has also informed continuing consideration of monitoring and management provisions.	Substantive application; marine ecology assessment; coastal processes assessment; avifauna assessment; dredging and environmental management provisions

Kororā translocation location	DOC	DOC recommended that the release/translocation location be confirmed as part of the KMP. The Project's avifauna specialist agrees that the location should be confirmed and has identified potential locations close to the Project site. Further engagement with DOC is proposed to agree an appropriate location, with proximity to the Project site preferred where practicable to minimise handling and translocation time.	Wildlife Act approval; KMP; ongoing DOC engagement
Loss of kororā burrows or habitat	DOC	The avifauna specialist advises that the proposed revetment replaces the existing revetment and is not expected to result in a net loss of revetment habitat. Approximately four kororā nest boxes are proposed at the agreed translocation location to provide additional nesting opportunities and respond to DOC's concern.	KMP; Wildlife Act approval; avifauna assessment
Kororā detection, harm avoidance and movement protocols	DOC	DOC considered the KMP reasonably thorough in these respects. DOC also proposed amended wording for clause 3.1 of the Wildlife Act approval concerning the personnel authorised to handle kororā. That amendment has been incorporated into the proposed approval. The KMP and Wildlife Act approval provide the principal mechanisms for managing these matters.	KMP; Wildlife Act approval

DOC Wildlife Reserve boundary / need for concession	DOC	The boundary position was investigated as the Project developed. DOC agreed, on the available information, with the advice that the mean high water boundary has moved and that no DOC concession is required. The substantive application therefore seeks the relevant Wildlife Act approval but no DOC concession.	Substantive application; Wildlife Act approval
Marine mammals and underwater noise	DOC	These matters have been assessed by the Project's marine mammal and underwater noise specialists and are addressed through the relevant technical assessments, management requirements and proposed consent conditions.	Marine mammal assessment; underwater noise assessment; MMMP; proposed conditions
Environmental monitoring associated with dredging	DOC	DOC expressed an interest in the dredging environmental monitoring and management material. Dredging effects, monitoring and responsive management are addressed through the relevant dredging assessment, management plan and proposed NRC condition framework.	Dredging material; DMP; proposed NRC conditions
Other marine ecological matters, including turbidity, marine ecosystems and cumulative effects	DOC	These matters are addressed through the marine ecology, coastal processes and other environmental assessments. DOC's feedback has been considered against those assessments and will inform continuing engagement where	Substantive application and relevant technical assessments

		implementation detail remains to be resolved.	
Use of unformed Papich Road	WDC	WDC provided approval in principle for use of the relevant portion of unformed legal road. The application recognises that the necessary road-stopping and public works processes remain separate processes to be completed if the Project proceeds.	WDC approval in principle; substantive application
Continuation of public access around the Project site	WDC, Ruakākā Ratepayers Association and other community engagement	The Project provides for replacement public access around the reclamation and replacement of the existing fishing facility. A bird viewing opportunity has also been incorporated into the public access concept.	Project design; substantive application
Construction and operational noise, including vessel maintenance activities	Ruakākā Ratepayers Association, Whangārei Heads Citizens Association and Albany Road residents	Noise has been subject to specialist assessment. Construction and operational noise controls, management measures and monitoring requirements have been incorporated into the application and proposed condition framework.	Noise assessment; SNMP; proposed consent conditions
Landscape, visual and residential amenity effects	Ruakākā Ratepayers Association, Whangārei Heads Citizens Association and Albany Road residents	These matters have been specifically assessed by the Project's landscape specialist. The assessment identifies the locations at which effects will be greatest and the Project incorporates the landscape and mitigation responses identified in the substantive application.	Landscape assessment; substantive application

Traffic, road safety and cycling	Ruakākā Ratepayers Association and other community engagement; NZTA	Transport effects have been assessed through the Integrated Transport Assessment. Construction and operational traffic management measures are proposed. NZTA subsequently advised that it does not oppose the Project on transport grounds subject to the matters identified in its written response.	Integrated Transport Assessment; CTMP/OTMP provisions; proposed WDC conditions
Northport operational and infrastructure interfaces	Northport	Engagement has addressed dredging, use and allocation of dredged material, stormwater, servicing, access, navigation and operational interfaces. Northport has also provided a response under section 30 of the FTAA to NRC in relation to the Project. Draft conditions were provided to Northport on 17 August 2026. Northport provided comments on 18 August 2026 and amendments were made to the conditions where appropriate in response.	Project design; proposed conditions; ongoing implementation arrangements
Draft NRC consent conditions	NRC	Draft conditions were provided to NRC on 14 August 2026 to provide an opportunity for Council review before lodgement. No feedback had been received at 19 August 2026.	Draft NRC conditions
Draft WDC consent conditions	WDC	Draft conditions were provided to WDC on 14 August 2026 to provide an opportunity for Council review before lodgement. No feedback had been received at 19 August 2026.	Draft WDC conditions

Ongoing communication and participation	Tangata whenua, community organisations and other stakeholders	Engagement channels remain open. Further engagement is proposed through the FTAA process and, if approvals are granted, during detailed design and implementation where matters require continuing liaison or participation.	Ongoing engagement
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The responses above distinguish between measures that were introduced or refined following consultation and measures that were already incorporated into the Project when an issue was subsequently raised. The fact that an existing assessment or Project measure was confirmed as appropriately addressing a consultation matter does not mean the feedback was disregarded. In those cases the feedback was considered against the relevant specialist assessment or Project response and no additional change was considered necessary.

10. Ongoing engagement

Engagement remains ongoing at the date of this report. In particular:

- The final Patuharakeke CIA remains in preparation and further technical information is being provided;
- Ngāti Tu has advised that it wishes to prepare a CIA and has been provided with access to the available technical material;
- Engagement with Te Parawhau and Ngātiwai regarding cultural assessment and ongoing participation continues;
- Discussion with tangata whenua regarding cultural monitoring, participation and the implementation of relevant cultural conditions remains underway;
- Further engagement with DOC is proposed, including to confirm an appropriate kororā translocation location and associated nest-box arrangements;
- Dialogue concerning any potential interface between the proposed mātaimai reserve and the Project is continuing;

- Further agency, tangata whenua, community, industry and stakeholder engagement will continue where appropriate through the FTAA process and, if approvals are granted, through detailed design and Project implementation.

11. Detailed consultation record

The table below provides a chronological record of the principal consultation and engagement steps that can be verified from the engagement spreadsheet (**attached**), substantive application and consultation summary.

Date	Party / organisation	Method	Purpose / information provided	Key matters raised	MBIE / Project response or outcome	Status / follow-up
19 May 2026	Statutory notification parties; MACA applicant and consultation contacts	Email	Initial statutory notification and consultation correspondence issued	Project information and invitation to engage	Further engagement offered; responses followed from a number of parties	Completed / follow up as requested
22 May 2026	Department of Conservation	Email	Response to questions raised through FTAA enquiries / early engagement	DOC information and approval pathway	Further engagement arranged	Ongoing (see subsequent engagement below)
25 May 2026	Interested parties	Email	Initial wider interested party information issued	Project information and invitation to engage	Follow up undertaken where requested	Completed / variable by party
28 May 2026	Ferry Holdings	Email	Request for sharing of information and imagery	Project / vessel imagery and information	Information exchange	Completed
29 May 2026	WDC; Ngāpuhi; Ngātiwai; Ngāti Whātua interests	Email	Initiation of early engagement	Project information / invitation to engage	Meetings or further information where requested	Ongoing at that stage
3 June 2026	Ruakākā Ratepayers Association	Email	Direct community contact	Project information / invitation to engage	In-person meeting subsequently held	Follow up completed
4 June 2026	Te Parawhau representatives	In person	Initial substantive	Project content and engagement approach	Recorded webinar / follow-up Project meeting agreed	Further meeting held

			tangata whenua engagement			
4 June 2026	Patuharakeke	In person	Initial substantive tangata whenua engagement	Project content and engagement approach	Recorded webinar / follow-up Project meeting agreed	Further meeting held
4 June 2026	Ngātiwai	In person	Initial substantive tangata whenua engagement	Project content and engagement approach	Recorded webinar / follow-up Project meeting agreed	Further meeting held
5 June 2026	Statutory notification, consultation and interested parties	Email	Recorded Project webinar made available	Project update / supporting information	Parties invited to review and engage	Completed
9 June 2026	Whangārei District Council	In person	Early local-authority engagement	FTAA process, Project overview, planning / consenting matters, information requirements	Ongoing information sharing; draft conditions later provided	Draft conditions sent to WDC.
10 June 2026	Ngātiwai	In person	Project and cultural engagement meeting	FTAA process, cultural values, Project impacts, feedback, CIA support	Ongoing engagement and information exchange agreed	Technical information shared
10 June 2026	Te Parawhau / Te Pouwhenua o Tiakiriri Kūkupa Trust	In person	Project and cultural engagement meeting	FTAA process, cultural values, feedback, CIA support	Ongoing engagement and information exchange agreed	Technical information shared
10 June 2026	Patuharakeke	In person	Project and cultural engagement meeting	FTAA process, cultural values, Project impacts, feedback, CIA support	Ongoing engagement and information exchange agreed	Technical information shared
11 June 2026	Northland Regional Council	In person	Regional consenting engagement	FTAA process, consenting pathway, council considerations, technical input	Follow-up engagement and later draft conditions review	Draft conditions sent to NRC.
26 June 2026	Relevant tangata whenua / customary fishing interests	Written notice	Notice regarding Part 9 Fisheries Act customary fishing arrangements	2009 Kaimoana Notice and 2021 Tāngata Kaitiaki/Tiaki Notice	Recipients invited to engage	Completed / subsequent engagement with some parties

June– July 2026	Patuharakeke	Meetings / email	CIA scoping and technical review	CIA scope, methodology, resourcing, technical information	Interim CIA prepared; information provision continued	Technical information shared
June– July 2026	Te Parawhau	Meetings / email	Cultural assessment and participation discussions	Technical review, CIA resourcing, employment / training / participation opportunities	Further information shared	Technical information shared
June– July 2026	Ngātiwai	Meetings / email	Cultural assessment and information review	Technical information, executive summaries, CIA scope / resourcing	Further information shared.	Technical information shared
2 July 2026	Whangārei District Council	Written response	Proposed use of portion of unformed Papich Road required for Project footprint	Legal road occupation, public works / road-stopping process and continuation of public access	WDC provided approval in principle for use of the relevant portion of unformed legal road, subject to the necessary subsequent processes being undertaken at no cost to Council and replacement public access being provided	Approval in principle received; separate road stopping / public works processes remain required if Project proceeds
11 July 2026	Ruakākā Ratepayers Association	In person	Community meeting	Noise, operating hours, visual effects, recreation, jetty / walkway, traffic, road safety, cycling	Further presentation / engagement requested	Follow-up meeting scheduled and held.
15 July 2026	Department of Conservation	Meeting	Follow-up ecological, reserve boundary and statutory approvals engagement	Wildlife Reserve boundary, mean high water position, DOC concession requirements and Wildlife Act approval pathway	Reserve boundary and approval pathway investigated and clarified through subsequent information exchange with DOC	Further DOC written feedback subsequently received.

16 July 2026	Environmental Protection Authority	Pre-application meeting	FTAA process preparation	Administration and procedural requirements	Lodgement preparation continued	Completed
21 July 2026	Whangārei Heads Citizens Association	In person	Community information meeting	Environmental effects, noise, landscape / visual effects, residential amenity, community awareness	Additional information provided	Ongoing contact available
23 July 2026	NZ Transport Agency Waka Kotahi	Written response	Transport review	Operational and construction traffic effects and conditions	NZTA advised it does not oppose on transport grounds subject to stated matters	Written response included in Appendix 37 of substantive application.
2 August 2026	Albany Road residents	In person	Local resident meeting	Project overview; environmental and amenity matters	Ongoing contact requested.	Ongoing
11 August 2026	Ruakākā Ratepayers Association	In person	Further community presentation	Noise, visual impacts, operational activities, traffic, potential property value effects, employment opportunities and economic benefits	MBIE attended and provided a Project update. Overall engagement was positive, with questions responded to on process, technical reports, effects and expected lodgement timing.	Completed; ongoing updates requested by attendees.
7–11 August 2026	Patuharakeke / Project team	Email / Teams coordination	Interim CIA and technical report follow-up	Receipt and circulation of interim CIA; confirmation sought on outstanding economics, marine ecology, marine mammal and management plan material	Project team followed up on missing or pending material and worked to provide access to reports as they became available.	Ongoing
12 August 2026	North Tugz	In person	Initial Engagement	Would see increase in activity directly for their operations, may	No actions	Ongoing

				need to increase capacity		
12 August 2026	Patuharakeke	In person	Further CIA / relationship engagement	Outstanding technical reports, CIA status, proposed mātaimai reserve, relationship arrangements	Further technical information shared.	Ongoing
13 August 2026	Ngāti Tu	Online meeting	Initial substantive direct engagement	Mana whenua position asserted by Ngāti Tu, CIA, environmental information, other tangata whenua engagement, mātaimai reserve, future relationship	Further technical information shared.	Ongoing
14 August 2026	Patuharakeke and Te Parawhau representatives; NorthPort and MBIE Project staff	Site visit / NorthPort port tour	Site familiarisation and discussion of Project context	Project site, harbour and port context, operational interface, access, construction and environmental matters. A number of questions were raised during the visit.	NorthPort and MBIE Project staff provided real-time responses to questions raised during the visit.	Completed; further follow-up to continue through ongoing engagement as required.
14 August 2026	Department of Conservation	Written pre-lodgement consultation response	DOC response on Wildlife Act approval, kororā management, conservation matters and environmental effects	Kororā translocation location; burrow / habitat response; Wildlife Approval wording; marine mammals; underwater noise; turbidity; marine ecology; cumulative effects; environmental monitoring; Wildlife Reserve boundary and nearby bird habitat	DOC feedback referred to relevant Project specialists and considered against the substantive application, technical assessments, KMP, Wildlife Act approval and proposed conditions. Further DOC engagement identified in relation to kororā translocation arrangements	Ongoing where identified

14 August 2026	Northland Regional Council	Email	Draft NRC consent conditions provided for review and comment	Opportunity for pre-lodgement Council review of proposed regional consent conditions	Draft conditions provided	No feedback received as at 19 August 2026
14 August 2026	Whangārei District Council	Email	Draft WDC consent conditions provided for review and comment	Opportunity for pre-lodgement Council review of proposed regional consent conditions	Draft conditions provided	No feedback received as at 19 August 2026
17 August 2026	Project technical specialists – avifauna, landscape, archaeology and marine ecology	Email / specialist review	Interim Patuharakeke CIA provided for review against relevant technical assessments	Whether matters identified in the CIA required changes or addendum reporting	Avifauna specialist confirmed that the species and habitats identified in the CIA were already addressed and no amendment was required. The landscape architect subsequently confirmed that the CIA did not require reconsideration or material qualification of the existing landscape, natural character or visual assessment, while providing additional cultural context regarding the significance and interconnectedness of places and features within the wider harbour landscape and seascape. The archaeology specialist did not identify a need for additional information or addendum reporting. No marine ecology	Completed for avifauna, landscape and archaeology; marine ecology response outstanding

					response had been received at 19 August 2026.	
17 August 2026	Northport	Email	Draft Project consent conditions provided for review and comment	Operational and infrastructure matters relevant to Northport and the proposed condition framework	Draft conditions provided for review	Feedback received 18 August 2026
18 August 2026	Northport	Email	Comments on draft Project consent conditions	Matters relating to the proposed condition framework and Northport operational interfaces	Feedback reviewed by the Project team and changes made to the proposed conditions where appropriate	Completed for pre-lodgement purposes; ongoing liaison as required
19 August 2026	Leigh Bull – avifauna specialist	Email / specialist advice	Review of DOC comments concerning kororā translocation and habitat	Need to confirm translocation location and address potential loss of burrows / habitat	Potential nearby translocation locations identified; further discussion with DOC recommended. Approximately four nest boxes proposed at the agreed location. Specialist advises replacement of the existing revetment means no net loss of revetment habitat is expected	Further DOC engagement required to confirm translocation location
19 August 2026	Stephen Brown – landscape specialist	Email / specialist advice	Review of interim Patuharakeke CIA against existing landscape, natural character and visual assessment	Interim CIA and existing Project assessment context	Landscape architect advised that there is considerable overlap between cultural landscape matters identified in the CIA and those already recognised in his assessment. The CIA provides additional understanding of the cultural significance and interconnectedness of places and	Existing assessment remains adequate; no further reporting presently required. Any additional design or enhancement concepts remain subject to further consideration

					features within the wider harbour landscape and seascape but does not require reconsideration or material qualification of the existing assessment. Potential cultural landscape and public realm opportunities were also identified for possible further exploration, subject to engagement with Patuharakeke and relevant specialist input.	and engagement.
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12. Conclusion

MBIE has consulted and engaged with a broad range of parties during preparation of the substantive application. The engagement has gone beyond the provision of Project information and has provided opportunities for tangata whenua, statutory agencies, local authorities, adjacent operators, community organisations and other interested parties to identify matters requiring consideration and to comment on Project responses as they have developed.

Feedback received through that process has been considered by the Project team and, where relevant, referred to the appropriate technical specialists. In some cases, this has resulted in refinement of proposed consent conditions or management responses. In other cases, specialist review has confirmed that the matter raised is already addressed through the Project design, technical assessment or existing management framework and that no additional change is required.

Examples include the specialist review of matters identified through the interim Patuharakeke CIA, consideration of DOC's comments concerning kororā translocation and nesting habitat, WDC's approval in principle concerning use of the relevant portion of unformed Papich Road, and amendments made to the proposed consent conditions following Northport's review.

Some engagement remains ongoing, particularly in relation to cultural assessment processes, tangata whenua participation and monitoring arrangements, and confirmation with DOC of appropriate kororā translocation arrangements. No feedback had been received from NRC or WDC on the draft consent conditions provided to those Councils on 14 August 2026 at the date of this report.

This report records the position as at 19 August 2026. It does not imply that all matters raised through consultation have been resolved or that agreement or consensus has been reached with all parties. Engagement will continue where appropriate both through the FTAA process and, if approvals are granted, through detailed design and implementation of the Project.

Engagement Tracker - Northland Shipyard and Dry Dock

Date	Engagement Method	Engaged Parties	Project team attendees	Notes from Engagement
19/05/2026	Email	Statutory Notification	n/a	Initial email sent with Statutory Notification Letter
19/05/2026	Email	Consultation	n/a	Initial email sent with Consultation Letter
22/05/2026	Email	Department of Conservation	n/a	Response to questions posed by FTA Enquiries team about the initial sent documents
25/05/2026	Email	Interested Parties	n/a	Initial email sent with letter for Interested Parties
25/05/2026	Email	Privacy of natural persons (North Tugz)	Angela Xygalas	Email to update on the project, seek perspectives and feedback, provide information and materials for consideration, offer an opportunity to meet.
28/05/2026	Email	Privacy of natural persons FHL)	Angela Xygalas	Request sent for sharing of information and imagery
28/05/2026	Email	Northland Regional Council	Angela Xygalas	Statutory Notification email sent to Privacy of natural persons and did not reach remainder of NRC stakeholders
29/05/2026	Email	Whangarei District Council	Jo Littin	Initiation of early engagement
29/05/2026	Email	Ngapuhi	Jo Littin	Initiation of early engagement
29/05/2026	Email	Ngati Wai	Jo Littin	Initiation of early engagement
29/05/2026	Email	Ngati Whatua	Jo Littin	Initiation of early engagement
29/05/2026	Phone/Email	Privacy of natural persons FHL)	Angela Xygalas	Initial call and indication of FHL support for the project
03/06/2026	Email	Ruakaka Ratepayers' Association	Angela Xygalas	Confirmation that an email was sent directly to Privacy of natural person the Association
04/06/2026	In Person	Te Parawhau Privacy of natural persons	Jo Littin, Angela Xygalas, Neil Barr, Chris Simmons, Brett Hood, Michelle Paki, Hugh Karena	Discussed Project content and Engagement Approach. Agreed to provide webinar project update with follow up Project Team meeting
04/06/2026	In Person	Patuharakeke Privacy of natural persons	Jo Littin, Angela Xygalas, Neil Barr, Chris Simmons, Brett Hood, Michelle Paki, Hugh Karena	Discussed Project content and Engagement Approach. Agreed to provide webinar project update with follow up Project Team meeting
04/06/2026	In Person	Ngati Wai Privacy of natural persons	Jo Littin, Angela Xygalas, Neil Barr, Chris Simmons, Brett Hood, Michelle Paki, Hugh Karena	Discussed Project content and Engagement Approach. Agreed to provide webinar project update with follow up Project Team meeting
05/06/2026	Email	Statutory Notification, Consultation, Interested Parties, Project Team	n/a	Informing parties about the recorded webinar
09/06/2026	In Person	Whangarei District Council Privacy of natural persons	Jo Littin, Angela Xygalas, Neil Barr, Chris Simmons, Brett Hood, Michelle Paki	FTAA overview, Dry Dock proposal, initial questions Agreed to ongoing engagement and information sharing
10/06/2026	In Person	Ngati Wai Privacy of natural person	Jo Littin, Angela Xygalas, Neil Barr, Chris Simmons, Brett Hood, Michelle Paki, Hugh Karena	Project overview, FTAA process engagement approach, Cultural values, project impacts, feedback sought Agreed to ongoing engagement and information exchange. Proposal for support to deliver CIA
10/06/2026	In Person	Te Parawhau - Te Pouwhenua o Tiakiriri Kūkupa Trust Privacy of natural persons	Jo Littin, Angela Xygalas, Neil Barr, Chris Simmons, Brett Hood, Michelle Paki, Hugh Karena	Project overview, FTAA process, engagement approach, Cultural values, feedback sought Agreed to ongoing engagement and information exchange. Proposal for support to deliver CIA
10/06/2026	In Person	Patuharakeke Privacy of natural persons	Jo Littin, Angela Xygalas, Neil Barr, Chris Simmons, Brett Hood, Michelle Paki, Hugh Karena	Project overview, FTAA process, engagement approach, Cultural values, feedback sought Agreed to ongoing engagement and information exchange. Proposal for support to deliver CIA
11/06/2026	In Person	Northland Regional Council Privacy of natural person	Jo Littin, Angela Xygalas, Neil Barr, Chris Simmons, Brett Hood, Michelle Paki	FTAA process, consenting pathway, council considerations, Agreed to follow-up discussions and technical input
12/06/2026	Email	Patuharakeke	Jo Littin	
16/06/2026	Email	Patuharakeke	Jo Littin	
19/06/2026	Online meeting	Department of Conservation (DOC) - Ellanor Babbage, R Spiers, J Fitzgerald, K Mahon	Angela Xygalas, Chris Simmons, Neil Barr, Brett Hood, Shane Kelly, Leigh Bull	Intro to project and interface with DOC and wildlife approvals. Potential overlap with wildlife reserve and need for a concession,
22/06/2026	Email	Te Parawhau (Te Pouwhenua o Tiakiriri Kūkupa Trust)	n/a	Te Parawhau requested access to technical reports, purchase order and support to engage experts to undertake CIA review work. Discussion commenced around resourcing and participation requirements.
23/06/2026	Phone/Email	Te Parawhau	Jo Littin	Discussion regarding CIA costings, review timeframes, payment processes and support requirements to enable technical review.
23/06/2026	Email	Te Pouwhenua o Tiakiriri Kūkupa Trust - Privacy of natural person and Trust reps	Jo Littin	Discussion on CIA/CVA process, specialist reviewers, scoping, timeframes, supplier setup and payment process.

24/06/2026	Email	Te Parawhau - Privacy of natural persons and Trust reps	Jo Littin	Review of technical reports, CIA resourcing, expert costs, project information requests, economic benefits discussion. Supplier registration process, banking verification and GST information requested to enable future funding arrangements. Discussion around expert support, CIA requirements, access to reports and lodgement timeframes. Trust sought information on economic benefits and opportunities for participation.
24/06/2026	Online meeting	NZTA Jason Dawson, Director Regional Relationships NZTA, Tony Horton, Principal Planning Advisor NZTA	Angela Xygalas, Chris Simmons, Brett Hood, Nerissa Harrison (Flow Transport)	Outline of project, discussion of NZTA related aspects and how these will be managed. Provision of information to carry out their assessment.
26/06/2026	Meeting Scheduling	Northtec - Privacy of natural persons	Jo Littin and Project Team	Meeting arranged regarding future opportunities associated with the Dry Dock project. Initial outreach to arrange meeting with NorthTec leadership regarding workforce development opportunities associated with the project.
26/06/2026	Online	Channel Infrastructure - Privacy of natural persons	Angela Xygalas	NSDD Presentation and discussion. Supportive of project, Concerns with channel dredging, hydrodynamics, marine ecology, navigational traffic, cumulative effect of traffic from bio refinery.
26/06/2026	Online	Privacy of natural persons (Residential Developers) - Privacy of natural persons	Angela Xygalas, Neil Barr	NSDD Presentation and discussion
26/06/2026	Email	Ngati Tu, - Privacy of natural persons, rmu.ngatitutrust@protonmail.com	Northland Dry Dock	Statutory Notification letter and concept plans
26/06/2026	Email	Ngati Kahu 'office@ngatikahu.iwi.nz'	Angela Xygalas	Statutory Notification letter and concept plans
26/06/2026	Email	Privacy of natural persons / WHCA	Jo Littin	Initial engagement seeking availability for a meeting with project representatives and supporting greater access to project information.
29/06/2026	Phone call	Privacy of natural persons / WHCA	Jo Littin	Clarification discussion following webinar materials and project information
29/06/2026	Email	Privacy of natural persons / WHCA	Jo Littin	PowerPoint presentation and supporting information provided after webinar access difficulties. Purpose was to enable informed review of project information.
29/06/2026	Phone call	Privacy of natural persons / WHCA	Jo Littin	Clarification discussion following webinar materials and project information
29/06/2026	Meeting Invite	Ruakaka Ratepayers Association	Angela Xygalas	Invitation issued for in-person engagement regarding progression of the project and local community concerns.
29/06/2026	Meeting Invite	Ngātiwai	Angela Xygalas	Meeting arranged to discuss the project, technical information and support requirements for participation in the review process.
29/06/2026	Meeting Invite	MSD	Angela Xygalas	Engagement established to discuss employment, workforce and skills opportunities associated with the project.
30/06/2026	In-person meeting	Northtec	Angela, Derek Slatter, NorthTec representatives, Jo	Themes: Trade skill development; on-job training; local skill development; immigration skill integration.
30/06/2026	In-person meeting	Ruakaka Residents Association	Angela, Jules / Ruakaka Ratepayers representatives, Jo	Themes: Noise; visual impacts; operating hours; recreational interactions; jetty; walkways; road activity and cycling impacts.
30/06/2026	In-person meeting	MSD - Rena Hona, Jamie Rosemergy	Angela Xygalas, Jo Littin	NSDD presentation and discussion of benefits and impacts to the region
30/06/2026	In-person meeting	MSD - Rena Hona, Jamie Rosemergy	Angela Xygalas, Jo Littin	Themes: Jobs; transport; skills development; immigration skill integration.
30/06/2026	In-person meeting	Ngatiwai - Privacy of natural persons	Angela Xygalas, Jo Littin	Themes: Volume of content to review; executive summary a useful starting point; discussion on resources required to support engagement.
30/06/2026	Email	WHCA	Angela Xygalas	Additional project material supplied with offer of further walkthrough and discussion sessions.
01/07/2026	Teams call	Te Parawhau - Privacy of natural persons	Angela Xygalas, Jo Littin	Themes: Commercial and economic benefits for iwi/hapū; scholarships; opportunities for intergenerational change and capability development; wider economic participation. (User-supplied engagement note)
02/07/2026	Teams call	Patuharakeke - Privacy of natural persons	Angela Xygalas, Jo Littin	CIA scope and costing discussion; resourcing requirements; cultural assessment process.
02/07/2026	Email	Patuharakeke - Privacy of natural persons	Angela Xygalas, Jo Littin	Revised CIA scope and budget submitted following hui. Purpose was to secure agreement on a culturally appropriate assessment process.
03/07/2026	Internal engagement review	Patuharakeke	Angela Xygalas	Internal review of Patuharakeke proposal and comparison against other CIA requests. Discussion focused on next approval steps and funding arrangements.

Early Jul 2026	Engagement on CIA support	Te Parawhau Trust reps	Jo Littin	Themes: Quoting and resourcing requirements for CIA support. Supported by ongoing cost and CIA discussions.
07/07/2026	Email	Patuharakeke	Angela Xygalas	Update provided regarding CIA funding approvals and procurement process. Purpose was to keep stakeholders informed while approvals progressed.
07/07/2026	Email	Ruakaka Ratepayers Association	Angela Xygalas	Invitation received to present to committee members and discuss project impacts and community concerns.
07/07/2026	Internal approval process	Te Parawhau / Patuharakeke / Ngātiwai	Angela Xygalas	Approval memo circulated seeking authority to fund CIA and cultural review activities across affected iwi and hapū.
07/07/2026	Stakeholder workshop	Internal Project Team	Angela Xygalas	Internal review of stakeholder engagement activities, emerging issues and engagement planning.
07/07/2026	Internal engagement review	Project Team	NDD Project Team	Review of stakeholder engagement dashboard and next engagement activities
08/07/2026	Email	Privacy of Ruakaka Ratepayers	Jo Littin	Committee presentation being arranged; anticipated collection of wider community questions to inform future engagement.
08/07/2026	Phone follow-up and invitation	Privacy of natural persons / WHCA	Jo Littin	Arranging meeting for Tuesday 21 July MBIE offices at 3pm
14/07/2026	Email	WHCA	Angela Xygalas	Arrangements made for a stakeholder session in Whangārei, including hybrid attendance options of Teams link - Privacy of natural persons from Bream Bay Guardian Society
14/07/2026	Online meeting	DOC - Ellanor Babbage, Shona Bradley	Angela Xygalas, Chris Simmons	Discussion with DOC on potential overlap with DOC wildlife reserve and consideration of boundary
15/07/2026	Email	Ruakaka Ratepayers Association	Angela Xygalas	Follow-up seeking interest in additional engagement sessions while project staff were in Ruakaka
15/07/2026	Online meeting	EPA - Ben Bond, Margot Meuleman	Angela Xygalas, Phil Mitchell, Chris Simmons	Pre-application meeting with EPA
16/07/2026	Email	Patuharakeke	Angela Xygalas	Discussion regarding approved CIA funding, contracting arrangements and interim cultural feedback requirements prior to lodgement.
17/07/2026	Email	Ruakaka Ratepayers Association	Angela Xygalas	Committee advised preference for attendance at scheduled August meeting rather than holding a separate engagement session.
21/07/2026	In-person meeting	Privacy of natural persons / WHCA	Angela Xygalas, Neil Barr, Jo Littin	Went through presentation pack. Engagement outlining many topics with environmental, noise, visual, impacts on residents. There will be information provided in the next newsletter which goes to 900 residents in the Whangarei Heads area, this could see some increased interest.
21/07/2026	Phone	Privacy of natural persons from Bream Bay Guardian Society	Angela Xygalas, Neil Barr, Jo Littin	Questions on the commercial viability of the project, understanding of the supply and demand,
22/07/2026	In-person meeting	Albany Road residents representatives - Privacy of natural persons	Angela Xygalas, Neil Barr	Discussed Project content and Engagement Approach. Agreed to keep in contact as the project progressed. No immediate follow up actions.
23/07/2026	Email	NZTA (Luke Braithwaite)	Angela Xygalas	Waka Kotahi comments on the project received
24/07/2026	Email	Te Parawhau	Jo Littin	Clarification of CIA information for contracting, supplied update to dedging components of the application
24/07/2026	Email	Patuharakeke	Jo Littin	Clarification of CIA information for contracting, supplied update to dedging components of the application
24/07/2026	Email	Ngatiwai	Jo Littin	Clarification of CIA information for contracting, supplied update to dedging components of the application, Meeting arranged for Monday 27 11am to clarify next steps for CIA
24/07/2026	Email	Channel Infrastructure Privacy of natural persons	Angela Xygalas	Email to provide brief project update and query whether any further information is required
28/07/2026	Email	Privacy of natural persons Development	Angela Xygalas	Email to provide brief project update and query whether any further information is required specifically on channel dredging
31/07/2026	Email	Te Parawhau	Jo Littin	CIA contract documentation circulated to support participation in cultural assessment activities and review of project information.
31/07/2026	Email	Patuharakeke	Jo Littin	CIA contract documentation circulated to support participation in cultural assessment activities and review of project information.
31/07/2026	Email	Ngātiwai	Jo Littin	CIA contract documentation circulated to support participation in cultural assessment activities and review of project information.
Early August	Email	Patuharakeke	Jo Littin	Ongoing discussions regarding cultural assessment funding, contract arrangements, technical report access and participation in review processes. Progression of contractual arrangements to support completion of cultural assessment work.

Early August	Email	Ngātiwai	Jo Littin	Discussions regarding potential scope of work, expectations, indicative costs, timeframes and role within the wider CIA process. Engagement intended to determine participation and support requirements moving forward.
05/08/2026	Email	Northtugz - Privacy of natural persons	Jo Littin	Follow-up engagement seeking opportunity to meet with project representatives while in Whangārei to discuss the project, provide updates, and seek stakeholder feedback from the maritime sector.
06/08/2026	Meeting Arrangement	Northtugz - Privacy of natural persons	Jo Littin	Meeting confirmed with project team representatives. Discussion intended to cover project updates, stakeholder feedback and maritime industry perspectives relevant to the proposal. Wednesday 12 August 12pm H&S information sent to complete before visit
07/08/2026	Email	Northtugz - Privacy of natural persons	Angela Xygalas	Email to offer a meeting to update on the project
07/08/2026	Email	Iwi and Hapū Participants	Jo Littin	Updated technical reports made available to participating iwi and hapū to support review of project information and preparation of cultural assessment material. Information included available final and near-final technical reports relevant to the proposed development.
August (planned)	Meeting Arrangement	Ruakaka Ratepayers Association	Jo Littin	Attendance arranged at the Association's scheduled meeting to provide a project update, respond to community questions and discuss local concerns previously raised regarding project impacts. Tuesday 11 August
August (planned)	Site Visit	Te Parawhau / Ngatiwai CIA Participants	Jo Littin	Site visit arranged to provide additional project context and support cultural assessment activities through direct observation of the project location and surrounding environment. Friday 14 August
07/08/2026	Technical engagement/CIA process	Patuharakeke Te Iwi Trust	Northland Dry Dock Project Team	Patuharakeke sought confirmation regarding outstanding technical reports, including economics, marine ecology and marine mammals reports. Discussions also covered timing of management plans, interim CIA delivery, and ongoing review of technical information.
07/08/2026	Site visit invitation and CIA engagement	Patuharakeke Te Iwi Trust	Angela Xygalas, Jo Littin, Neil Barr	Arrangements progressed for a Northport site visit and continued discussion regarding Cultural Impact Assessment development, technical report review, consent process participation, and project effects.
11/08/2026	Public meeting / community engagement	Ruakaka Ratepayers Association and around 40 community members	Angela Xygalas, Jo Littin	Meeting attendance was significantly larger than anticipated, having been publicly advertised rather than limited to the committee. A condensed project presentation was delivered. Key concerns raised included noise, visual impacts, operational activities, traffic, and potential effects on property values. Attendees also expressed interest in employment opportunities, economic benefits, and receiving ongoing updates. The community was advised that the Fast-track application was expected to be lodged within the coming weeks.
11/08/2026	Weekly project update	Northland Dry Dock Project Team	Northland Dry Dock Project Team	Stakeholder engagement remained focused on advancing Cultural Values Assessments (CVAs) and Cultural Impact Assessments (CIAs). Draft CIA material was received from Patuharakeke and contract documentation had been issued to iwi participants. Stakeholder engagement and cultural assessments remained on the critical path for application lodgement.
12/08/2026	Teams call	Ngāti Tū - Privacy of natural person	Angela Xygalas, Jo Littin	Overview of the Northland Dry Dock project provided, including project status, design progress, technical assessments and anticipated lodgement timeframe. Discussion included the engagement approach taken to date, identification of iwi and hapū for engagement, CIA processes, cultural effects, mana whenua interests, and how Ngāti Tū's interests would be considered within the Fast-track process.
13/08/2026	Email	Ngāti Tū - Privacy of natural person	Angela Xygalas, Jo Littin	MBIE confirmed arrangements were underway to provide access to a SharePoint folder containing project information and technical reports. MBIE advised it was not seeking to formally commission an additional CIA but welcomed ongoing cultural input and participation in the Fast-track process. Continued dialogue was encouraged as the project progressed.
14/08/2026	Email	Ngāti Tū - Privacy of natural person	Angela Xygalas, Jo Littin	Ngāti Tū submitted a formal request seeking reconsideration of MBIE's decision not to commission a Ngāti Tū-led CIA. The correspondence stated that, following review of project information and engagement records, Ngāti Tū considered there to be a project-specific cultural effects information gap. The letter requested MBIE reconsider commissioning and resourcing a Ngāti Tū CIA and sought a written decision within five working days. Ngāti Tū advised it remained available for further discussions and considered the correspondence part of the formal pre-lodgement engagement record

14/08/2026	Northport Site Visit and project engagement	Iwi and Hapū Stakeholders (Te Parawhau, Patuharakeke)	Angela Xygalas, Jo Littin, Neil Barr	Site visit to assist stakeholders with understanding the project location, operational area, and potential effects. Discussions supported CIA development, review of technical information, cultural values, environmental effects, and consenting processes. Ngatiwai were invited did not attend.
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