
Invitation to comment on Fast-track referral application for the Auckland Regional Landfill under the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024 – FTAA-2608-1274

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To:

- Minister for Economic Growth
- Minister for Regional Development
- Minister for the Environment
- Minister for Māori Crown Relations: Te Arawhiti
- Minister for Māori Development
- Minister of Conservation
- Minister for Arts, Culture and Heritage
- Minister for Auckland
- Minister for Energy
- Minister for Emergency Management and Recovery

Dear Ministers,

Hon Chris Bishop, the Minister for Infrastructure (the Minister), has asked for me to write to you on his behalf.

The Minister has received an application from Waste Management NZ Limited for referral of Auckland Regional Landfill project under the Fast-track Approvals Act 2024 (the Act) to the fast-track process (application reference FTAA-2608-1274).

The purpose of the Act is to facilitate the delivery of infrastructure and development projects with significant regional or national benefits.

Invitation to comment on referral application

I write in accordance with section 17 of the Act to invite you to provide written comments on the referral application. I have provided summary details of the project below.

If you wish to provide written comments, these must be received by **return email** within **15 working days** of receipt of this email, being **29 September 2026**. The Minister is not required to consider information received outside of this time frame. Any comments submitted will contribute to the Minister's decision on whether to accept the referral application and to refer the project.

If you do not wish to provide comments, please let us know as soon as possible so we can proceed with processing the application without delay.

If the Minister decides to accept the application and to refer the project, the Applicant will need to complete any preliminary steps required under the Act and then lodge their substantive application for the approvals needed for the project. An expert panel will be appointed to decide the substantive application.

Process

The application documents are accessible through the Fast-track portal. Please note that application documents may contain commercially sensitivity information and should not be shared widely. If you haven't used the portal before, you can request access by emailing ftarefferrals@mfe.govt.nz. Once you are registered and have accepted the terms and conditions, you will receive a link to view the documents. Existing users will be able to see application documents via the request when logging into the portal.

Should you need for your agency to provide any supplementary information, a nominated person can be provided access to the portal, access can be requested by emailing ftareferrals@mfe.govt.nz.

To submit your comments on the application, you can either provide a letter or complete the attached template for written comments and return it by replying to this email, infrastructure.portfolio@parliament.govt.nz.

Before the due date, if you have any queries about this email or need assistance with using the portal, please email contact@fasttrack.govt.nz. Further information is available at <https://www.fasttrack.govt.nz/>.

Important Information

Please note that all comments received from Ministers invited to comment will be subject to the Official Information Act 1982. Comments received will be proactively released at the time the Minister for Infrastructure makes a referral decision, unless the Minister providing comments advises the Minister for Infrastructure's office they are to be withheld, at the time they are submitted.

If a Conflict of Interest is identified by the Minister providing comments at any stage of providing comments, please inform my office and the Cabinet Office immediately. The Cabinet Office will provide advice and, if appropriate, initiate a request to the Prime Minister to agree to a transfer of the project/portfolio invite to another Minister (a request to transfer a COI from one Minister to another can take 1-7 days).

Project summary

Project name	Auckland Regional Landfill
Applicant	Waste Management NZ Limited
Location	Wayby Valley, Auckland
Project description	The project is for the construction, operation, closure, and aftercare of a new Class 1 Landfill, and associated infrastructure, in the Wayby Valley area north of Auckland.

Kind regards,



Office of Hon Chris Bishop

Attorney-General | Minister of Housing | Minister for Infrastructure | Minister Responsible for RMA Reform | Minister of Transport | Associate Minister of Finance | MP for Hutt South

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FTAA-2607-1273

Phil Wilson
Chief Executive Officer
Auckland Council
s 9(2)(a)

Dear Phil

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Note: Comments must be received by **29/09/2026, 11.59PM**.

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The purpose of the Act is to facilitate the delivery of infrastructure and development projects with significant regional or national benefits. *Section 22* of the Act sets out the criteria that inform the Minister's decision-making process on referral applications.

Under delegation from the Minister and in accordance with section 17(1)(a) of the Act, I invite Auckland Council to provide written comments on the referral application, a copy of which is available to you via the portal.

Written comments must be received within **15 working days** of receipt of this letter and a copy of the application (refer to the due date above). The Minister is not required to consider information received outside of this time frame.

Under section 17(3) of the Act, a relevant local authority **must** provide comments advising on the following matters:

- 1. Any applications that have been lodged with the Council that would be a competing application or applications if a substantive application for the project were lodged. If no such applications exist, please provide written confirmation.*
- 2. In relation to projects seeking approval of a resource consent under section 42(4)(a) of the Act, whether there any existing resource consents issued where sections 124C(1)(c) or 165ZI of the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA) could apply, if the project were to be applied for as a resource consent under the RMA. If no such consents exist, please provide written confirmation.*

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In addition, under section 17(3)(b), a relevant local authority **may** also provide other comments, but only if those comments are **relevant** to the application and the decision on the application that the Minister is required to make under section 21.

Please note that consideration of a referral application is limited to the referral criteria and does not involve the level of detail required at the substantive application stage. Comments should therefore be confined to matters relevant to the referral criteria. Please avoid providing detailed comments on matters that would more appropriately be considered during the substantive application process.

You may have a later opportunity to provide further detail in comments on a substantive application (for example, site specific constraints or conditions), if the project is referred to an independent expert panel.

To this end, please ensure any comments you choose to provide are specific to this particular referral application, and linked to the Minister's decision-making criteria as set out in sections 21 and 22 of the Act. In this regard, we are particularly interested in comments you might have on the following matters:

3. *Whether you consider the project may involve an ineligible activity, and if so, why (as defined in section 5 of the Act)*
4. *Whether you consider any of the reasons to decline a referral application may be applicable to this application, and if so why (under section 21(5) of Act).*

The information you are receiving is being provided to you consistent with the statutory requirements for inviting written comments under section 17 of the Act. The information is being provided in-confidence and may be commercially sensitive. It should not be disclosed to, and comments should not be sought from, anyone outside of your organisation.

If the Minister decides to accept the application and refer the project to the fast-track approvals process, the applicant will be required to complete any preliminary steps under the Act before lodging a substantive application. If the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) deems the substantive application complete and within scope, an independent expert panel will be appointed to make a final decision on the required approvals.

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Yours sincerely

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Stephanie Frame
Manager – Fast-track Operations

Appendix A: Project summary details

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Peter Chrisp
Director-General of Conservation
Department of Conservation
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Dear Peter

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Yours sincerely

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Stephanie Frame

Manager – Fast-track Operations

Appendix A: Project summary details

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John Linstead
Hako Tūpuna Trust
hako@xtra.co.nz

Tēnā koe John

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Nāku noa, nā

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Stephanie Frame
Manager – Fast-track Operations

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Dean Whiting
CEO
Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga
fasttrack@heritage.org.nz

Dear Dean

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Margie Tukerangi
Chair
Ngā Maunga Whakahii o Kaipara Development Trust
admin@kaiparamoana.com

Tēnā koe Margie

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Stephanie Frame
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Boni Renata
GM
Ngaati Whanaunga Ruunanga Trust
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Tēnā koe Boni

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FTAA-2607-1273

Brett Gliddon
Chief Executive Officer
New Zealand Transport Agency - Waka Kotahi
s 9(2)(a)

Dear Brett

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I write under delegation from the Minister and in accordance with section 17(5) of the Act. You have been identified as an “any other person” for the purposes of this section, as the project has potential to involve direct site access onto State Highway 1, and other potential traffic implications. Accordingly, I invite you to provide written comments on the referral application, a copy of which is available to you via the portal.

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Manager – Fast-track Operations

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Paul Majurey

Taonga o Marutūāhu Trustee Limited/ Marutūāhu Rōpū Limited Partnership

s 9(2)(a)

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Edward Ashby
Tiaki Trust CEO
Te Kawerau Iwi Tiaki Trust
s 9(2)(a)

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Te Warena Taua
Chair
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s 9(2)(a)

Tēnā koe Te Warena

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Darren Beatty
Te Roroa Whatu Ora Trust
secretary@teroroa.iwi.nz

Tēnā koe Darren

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Tyrone Raumati
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Rhys Manukau
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Chris Blenkiron
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Vector Limited

C/o: Jay Kesha
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Project name	Auckland Regional Landfill
Applicant name	Waste Management NZ Limited
Project summary details	The project is construction, operation, closure and aftercare of a new Class 1 Landfill, and associated infrastructure, in the Wayby Valley area north of Auckland. The applicant seeks the following approvals through the fast-track approvals process to authorise the project: - resource consents under the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA) - Wildlife Act approval under the Wildlife Act 1953 - archaeological authority under the Heritage New Zealand Pouhere Taonga Act 2014. The applicant may also seek the following approvals through the through the fast-track approvals process to authorise the project: - approval for a standard and/or complex freshwater fisheries activity under the Freshwater Fisheries Regulations 1983 - approval under the Conservation Act 1987 for fish salvage activities.